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**ARE YOU IN COMPLIANCE
WITH OSHA'S NEW
CRYSTALLINE SILICA STANDARD?**

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Construction Employers Must Be In Full Compliance By September 23, 2017

OSHA has recently finalized two new crystalline silica standards: one for general industry and maritime (29 CFR 1910.1053), and the other for construction (29 CFR 1926.1153). The rule significantly reduces the amount of silica dust that workers can be exposed to on the job. This regulation has significant requirements that should be evaluated in time to comply.

Regardless of which exposure control methods are used, all construction employers are required to:

- Establish and implement a written exposure control plan
- Designate a competent person to implement the written exposure control plan
- Restrict practices that expose workers to silica where feasible alternatives are available
- Offer medical exams for workers who are required to wear a respirator for 30 or more days per year
- Train workers on work operations that result in silica exposure and ways to limit exposure
- Keep records of workers' silica exposure and medical exams

GFA offers a comprehensive range of health and safety services, including OSHA compliance audits, job hazard analysis, industrial hygiene services, health and safety program development, and health and safety training. Our Certified Industrial Hygienists have over 20 years' experience assisting government and commercial clients with employee exposure monitoring and OSHA chemical-specific standard compliance.



Silica dust particles can penetrate deep into the lungs and cause disabling and sometimes fatal lung diseases, including silicosis and lung cancer, as well as kidney disease.

GFA's Silica Compliance Solutions Include:

- Exposure Monitoring
- Job Hazard Analysis
- Written Program Development
- Respirator Fit Testing
- Training

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