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**IDAPA 17
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000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.

These rules are promulgated pursuant to the authority granted the Industrial Commission by Sections 72-508, 72-720, 72-721, 72-722, and 72-723, Idaho Code. (3-23-98)

001. TITLE AND SCOPE.

01. Title. These rules shall be cited as IDAPA 17.10.01, "Safety and Health Rules for Places of Public Employment." (3-23-98)

02. Scope. These rules shall be applicable to places of public employment as defined in Sections 72-205 and 72-207, Idaho Code. (3-23-98)

002. WRITTEN INTERPRETATIONS.

There are no written statements which pertain to the interpretation of these rules. (3-23-98)

003. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS.

There are no provisions for administrative appeal of these rules. The procedures for appeals in industrial safety matters are prescribed by Sections 72-222 and 72-714 through 72-718, Idaho Code. (3-23-98)

004. REQUIREMENTS.

01. Safe Workplace. Every employer shall furnish a place of employment free from recognized hazards which may cause serious injury or death to employees. Recognized hazards are those identified by state adopted and nationally recognized codes and standards. (3-23-98)

02. Safety Devices. Every employer shall furnish and use safety devices and safeguards and shall adopt and use practices, means, methods, operations, and processes which are adequate to render the place of employment safe and free of occupational health hazards. (3-23-98)

03. Posted Warnings. Every employer shall post warning signs in areas where employees are exposed to injury hazards and shall insure that employees comply with the posted warnings. (3-23-98)

04. Training And Equipment. No employer shall require an employee to go or be in any place of employment which is unsafe unless that employee has the appropriate training, is properly equipped, and is authorized to go or be in such place. (3-23-98)

05. Minimum Construction Standards. No employer, owner, or lessee of any real property shall construct or cause to be constructed any place of employment which does not meet the minimum safety requirements of state adopted and nationally recognized codes and standards. (3-23-98)

06. Training. (3-23-98)

a. It shall be the responsibility of the employer to establish and ensure a safe and healthful working environment, to establish an accident-prevention program and training program to improve the skill and competency of all employees in the area of safety and occupational health. (3-23-98)

b. Such training shall include on-the-job instruction in the safe use of powered materials-handling equipment, machine tool operations, use of hazardous/toxic materials, and operation of utility systems prior to assignment to jobs involving such exposures. (3-23-98)

005. EXTENSION OF TIME.

01. Extensions. An extension of time may be granted by the enforcing agency upon good cause shown. (3-23-98)

02. Sixty-Day Limit. An extension of time to comply with the safety and health requirements of these rules and any amendments that may be added from time to time may be granted up to sixty (60) days. (3-23-98)

03. Limit And Revocation. Such extension of time shall be limited to the particular case or cases covered in the letter of extension and may be revoked for cause. (3-23-98)

04. Requests. All requests for extension of time shall be made in writing to the Administrator of the Division of Building Safety, P. O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0049. (3-23-98)

006. SAFETY STANDARDS.

01. Joint Publication. The Idaho Industrial Commission and the Idaho Division of Building Safety, together with safety experts from the public and private sector, have developed and published general safety guidelines for places of public employment. (3-23-98)

02. Compilation Of Standards. These guidelines have been compiled with the purpose of providing employers a resource that consolidates all pertinent safety and occupational health standards into one resource book. These guidelines shall be referred to as the Idaho General Safety and Health Standards (IGSHS). A copy may be obtained from the Division of Building Safety, Industrial Safety Section, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0049, telephone (208) 334-3950. (3-23-98)

007. ADMINISTRATION.

01. Annual Inspections. All safety inspections of places of public employment carried out pursuant to these rules shall be done according the general guidelines set forth in the Idaho General Safety and Health Standards by personnel of the Division of Building Safety, Industrial Safety Section, on an annual basis. (3-23-98)

02. Employer Responses. An employer shall respond within twenty (20) days of receipt of any inspection report containing findings. The response shall be made to the Division of Building Safety, Industrial Safety Section, P.O. Box 83720, Boise, Idaho 83720-0049. (3-23-98)

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