



**DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY  
DIVISION OF INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS  
OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY & HEALTH ADMINISTRATION**

**Date: May 30, 2024**

**To: Nevada Businesses**

**Re: Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals**

On March 26, 2024, Nevada OSHA identically adopted the Federal Program Change Directive ([CPL 02-01-065 – Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals](#)) which went into effect on January 26, 2024. This directive establishes Nevada OSHA's enforcement policy for its standard for Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals, 29 CFR 1910.119 ("PSM standard"), and instructs Nevada OSHA enforcement personnel on the Federal OSHA's interpretations of those standards. The application of this instruction will further Nevada OSHA's goal of uniform enforcement of these standards.

This instruction cancels the previous directive (CPL 02-02-045 – Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals – Compliance Guidelines and Enforcement Procedures) and provides enforcement policy concerning the application of occupational safety and health standards in facilities with Process Safety Management covered processes.

Significant changes in this instruction include:

- Removal of the Appendix A PQV Audit Checklist in the OSHA Instruction CPL 02-02-045A (REVISED), September 13, 1994
- Incorporation of existing OSHA PSM enforcement policies into a question and response format.

This instruction is not a standard, regulation, or any other type of substantive rule. No statement in this instruction should be construed to require the regulated community to adopt any practices, means, methods, operations, or processes beyond those which are already required by the OSH Act or standards and regulations promulgated under the OSH Act.

## **Assistance Available from Nevada Safety Consultation and Training Section (SCATS)**

SCATS is here to help. SCATS is focused on keeping Nevadans safe and healthy while on the job. SCATS offers resources for employers and employees alike, from training to consultation to safety program review. SCATS can review and make recommendations on best practices for the installation of emergency eyewash and shower equipment. If your business has questions or needs onsite training or consultation, please submit a request by calling 877-472-3368 or submitting a consultation request at <https://www.4safenv.state.nv.us/contact/>.

### **How to File a Complaint**

Employees who feel they have been exposed to a hazardous condition in the workplace, have the right to raise their concerns with their employer or to file a complaint with Nevada OSHA. Such a complaint may trigger an inspection of the workplace. An employee who raises concerns with their employer or files an OSHA complaint is protected against retaliation or discrimination for having done so by NRS 618.445 and section 11(c) of the federal Occupational Safety and Health Act, Pub. L. 91-596, 84 Stat. 1590. If an employee files a complaint with Nevada OSHA, their name and contact information will be held as confidential information pursuant to NRS 618.341(3)(a).

To file a complaint, please visit <https://www.osha.gov/workers/file-complaint> or call Nevada OSHA at (702) 486-9020 (southern Nevada) or (775) 688-3700 (northern Nevada).

### **References**

- [CPL 02-01-065 – Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals](#)
- [CPL 02-02-045 – Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals – Compliance Guidelines and Enforcement Procedures](#)
- [29 CFR 1910.119 – Process Safety Management of Highly Hazardous Chemicals](#)
- [OSH Act](#)