



OSHA Issues Interim Guidance on Silica Rule Enforcement

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has now issued additional “interim” enforcement guidance for regional OSHA administrators. A final compliance directive is under review by OSHA and has not yet been released. Regional OSHA administrators will use [interim guidance](#) to enforce the new silica rule, and can be helpful to demolition contractors so that you know what inspectors will be looking for.

The guidance contains information on respiratory protection, housekeeping practices, written exposure control plans, medical surveillance, and communicating hazards. Members in states with [OSHA state plans](#) will need to check with their local administrators for further information on the silica standard in those states.

NDA is preparing to launch the Silica Compliance Toolkit, a new member resource which will assist NDA members with information about the new rule, along with information on compliance. Members with questions can contact Kevin McKenney at kmckenney@demolitionassociation.com.