

OSHA Information

PRF Productions and MVI utilizes a
site wide OSHA safety program



Merchant Role

Workplace safety is the responsibility of the employer, through visual inspections, training, proper signage, safety knowledgeability, performance expectations and hazard avoidance.

As a Merchant, you are responsible for your employee's safety.

But I am A Small Business?

Small businesses are not devoid of OSHA standards. Any business that has employees, even subcontractors, are required to follow the safety practices of OSHA.

A **safe** workplace is **sound** business

OSHA has recently updated the Guidelines for Safety and Health Programs it first released 30 years ago, to reflect changes in the economy, workplaces, and evolving safety and health issues. The new Recommended Practices have been well received by a wide variety of stakeholders and are designed to be used in a wide variety of small and medium-sized business settings. The Recommended Practices present a step-by-step approach to implementing a safety and health program, built around seven core elements that make up a successful program.

The main goal of safety and health programs is to prevent workplace injuries, illnesses, and deaths, as well as the suffering and financial hardship these events can cause for workers, their families, and employers. The recommended practices use a proactive approach to managing workplace safety and health. Traditional approaches are often reactive –that is, problems are addressed only after a worker is injured or becomes sick, a new standard or regulation is published, or an outside inspection finds a problem that must be fixed. These recommended practices recognize that finding and fixing hazards before they cause injury or illness is a far more effective approach.

The idea is to begin with a basic program and simple goals and grow from there. If you focus on achieving goals, monitoring performance, and evaluating outcomes, your workplace can progress along the path to higher levels of safety and health achievement.

Employers will find that implementing these recommended practices also brings other benefits. Safety and health programs help businesses:

- **Prevent** workplace injuries and illnesses
- **Improve** compliance with laws and regulations
- **Reduce** costs, including significant reductions in workers' compensation premiums
- **Engage** workers
- **Increase** productivity and enhance overall business operations

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Extension Cords

In accordance with OSHA standards, extension cords are not permanent solutions. Merchants who are using extension cords as permanent solutions will need to replace them with power taps.



Extension cords in use over a week will need to be replaced as this is considered permanent.

Are you new to OSHA?

Visit the OSHA [website](#) and familiarize yourself.

There is also an informative booklet that describes ["All About OSHA"](#).

This booklet is helpful in educating small businesses in OSHA standards and practices.

FIRE PREVENTION



Minnesota Faire

PRF & MVI practice fire prevention. Safe and smart solutions help prevent fires.



Scarborough Faire



SIGNAGE

Merchant booths require appropriate signage to adhere to safety regulations in accordance to OSHA.

Exit Signs

Exit signs are required to aid employees and patrons in the event of an emergency. Exit signs can be paper, within a frame.



Electrical Box Signs

Electrical boxes need to have signage and need to be kept clear for 36 inches. Electric box covers must be closed at all times.



Electric Boxes

All Merchant electric boxes need to have labels on each circuit breaker.

Labeling circuit breakers enables quicker shut off during an electric issue.