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SUBJECT: Occupationsl Safety & Health Administration - Standard for Exposure to Asbestos Dust.

On June 7, 1972, OSHA published their standard on exposure to asbestos dust in the work-place.

Exposure Limitations

The standard remains at 5 fibers (a fiber being longer than 5 micrometers) per cc of air as measured by the membrane filter method--for an 8 hour time weighted average. This is effective July 7, 1972.

As of July 1, 1976 the 8 hour time weighted average will be reduced to 2 fibers per cc of air.

There is a ceiling concentration of 10 fibers per cc at any time.

This new standard has details onthe use of respirators, ventilation, wetting down of asbestos, clothing, lockers, laundering, caution signs, medical exams, etc. are covered in this standard.

The Institute would be happy to send a copy of this Standard to members on request.

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