

OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH STANDARDS

SUBPART G—OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL

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Subpart G—Occupational Health and Environmental Control

§ 1910.93 Air contaminants.

An employee's exposure to any material listed in table G-1, G-2, or G-3 of this section shall be limited in accordance with the requirements of the following paragraphs of this section.

(a) Table G-1:

(1) *Materials with names preceded by "C"—Ceiling Values.* An employee's exposure to any material in table G-1, the name of which is preceded by a "C" (e.g., C Boron trifluoride), shall at no time exceed the ceiling value given for that material in the table.

(2) *Other materials—8-hour time weighted averages.* An employee's exposure to any material in table G-1, the name of which is not preceded by "C", in any 8-hour work shift of a 40-hour work week, shall not exceed the 8-hour time weighted average given for that material in the table.

(b) Table G-2:

(1) *8-hour time weighted averages.* An employee's exposure to any material listed in table G-2, in any 8-hour work shift of a 40-hour work week, shall not exceed the 8-hour time weighted average limit given for that material in the table.

(2) *Acceptable ceiling concentrations.* An employee's exposure to a material listed in table G-2 shall not exceed at any time during an 8-hour shift the acceptable ceiling concentration limit given for the material in the table, except for a time period, and up to a concentration not exceeding the maximum duration and concentration allowed in the column under "acceptable maximum peak above the acceptable ceiling concentration for an 8-hour shift".

(3) *Example.* During an 8-hour work shift, an employee may be exposed to a concentration of Benzene above 25 p.p.m. (but never above 50 p.p.m.) only for a maximum period of 10 minutes. Such exposure must be compensated by exposures to concentrations less than 10 p.p.m. so that the cumulative exposure

for the entire 8-hour work shift does not exceed a weighted average of 10 p.p.m.

(c) Table G-3: An employee's exposure to any material listed in table G-3, in any 8-hour work shift of a 40-hour work week, shall not exceed the 8-hour time weighted average limit given for that material in the table.

(d) Computation formulae:

(1) (i) The cumulative exposure for an 8-hour work shift shall be computed as follows:

$$E = \frac{C_1 T_1 + C_2 T_2 + \dots + C_n T_n}{8}$$

where:

E is the equivalent exposure for the working shift.

C is the concentration during any period of time T where the concentration remains constant.

T is the duration in hours of the exposure at the concentration C.

The value of E shall not exceed the 8-hour time weighted average limit in table

G-1, G-2, or G-3 for the material involved.

(ii) To illustrate the formula prescribed in subdivision (i) of this subparagraph, note that isoamyl acetate has an 8-hour time weighted average limit of 100 p.p.m. (table G-1). Assume that an employee is subject to the following exposure:

Two hours exposure at 150 p.p.m.
Two hours exposure at 75 p.p.m.
Four hours exposure at 60 p.p.m.

Substituting this information in the formula, we have

$$\frac{2 \times 150 + 2 \times 75 + 4 \times 60}{8} = 81.25 \text{ p.p.m.}$$

Since 81.25 p.p.m. is less than 100 p.p.m., the 8-hour time weighted average limit, the exposure is acceptable.

(2) (i) In case of a mixture of air contaminants an employer shall compute the equivalent exposure as follows:

$$E = \frac{C_1}{L_1} + \frac{C_2}{L_2} + \dots + \frac{C_n}{L_n}$$

Where:

E is the equivalent exposure for the mixture.

C is the concentration of a particular contaminant.

L is the exposure limit for that contaminant, from table G-1, G-2, or G-3.

The value of E shall not exceed unity (1).

(ii) To illustrate the formula prescribed in subdivision (i) of this subparagraph, consider the following exposures:

Material	Actual concentration of 8-hour exposure	8-hour time weighted average exposure limit
Acetone (Table G-1)	500 p.p.m.	1,000 p.p.m.
2-Butanone (Table G-1)	45 p.p.m.	300 p.p.m.
Toluene (Table G-2)	40 p.p.m.	300 p.p.m.

Substituting in the formula, we have:

$$E = \frac{500}{1,000} + \frac{45}{300} + \frac{40}{300}$$

$$E = 0.500 + 0.225 + 0.200$$

$$E = 0.925$$

Since E is less than unity (1), the exposure combination is within acceptable limits.

(c) To achieve compliance with paragraph (a) through (d) of this section, administrative or engineering controls must first be determined and implemented whenever feasible. When such controls are not feasible to achieve full compliance, protective equipment or any other protective measures shall be used to keep the exposure of employees to air contaminants within the limits prescribed in this section. Any equipment and/or technical measures used for this purpose must be approved for each particular use by a competent industrial hygienist or other technically qualified person. Whenever respirators are used, their use shall comply with § 1910.134.

TABLE G-1

Substance	p.p.m.*	mg./M ³ *
Acetaldehyde	200	360
Acetic acid	10	25
Acetic anhydride	5	20
Acetone	1,000	2,400
Acetonitrile	40	70
Acetylene dichloride, see 1,2-Dichloroethylene		
Aerivine tetrahydride	1	14
Acrolein	0.1	0.24
Acrylamide—Skin		0.3
Acrylonitrile—Skin	20	45
Aldrin—Skin		0.15
Allyl alcohol—Skin	2	5
Allyl chloride	1	3
*C-Allyl glycidyl ether (AGE)	10	45
Allyl propyl disulfide	2	12
2-Aminonethanol, see Ethanolamine		
2-Aminopyridine	0.5	2
*Ammonia	80	35
Ammonium sulfamate (Am-nite)		15
n-Butyl acetate	100	625
sec-Butyl acetate	125	650
Aniline—Skin	5	19
Anilidine (o, p-isomers)—Skin		0.5
Antimony and compounds (see Sb)		0.5
ANTU (alpha naphthyl thiourea)		0.3
Arsenic and compounds (see As)		0.5
Arsine	0.05	0.2
Atinphos-methyl—Skin		0.2
Barium (soluble compounds)		0.5
p-Benzoquinone, see Quinone		
Benzoyl peroxide	1	5
Benzyl chloride		5
Biphenyl, see Diphenyl		
Bisphenol A, see Diglycidyl ether		
Boron oxide		15
C Boron trifluoride	1	3
Bromine	0.1	0.7
Bromochloro—Skin	0.5	0.5
Butadiene (1,3-butadiene)	1,000	2,300
Butanethiol, see Butyl mercaptan		
2-Butanone	200	260
2-Butoxy ethanol (Butyl Cellosolve)—Skin	50	240
Butyl acetate (n-butyl acetate)	150	710
sec-Butyl acetate	200	850
tert-Butyl acetate	200	850
Butyl alcohol	100	300
sec-Butyl alcohol	150	440
tert-Butyl alcohol	100	300
C Butylamine—Skin	5	15
C tert-Butyl chromate (as Cr)—Skin		0.1
n-Butyl glycidyl ether (BGE)	40	270
*Butyl mercaptan	10	35
p-tert-Butyltoluene	10	60
Calcium arsenate		1
Calcium oxide		5
*Camphor	2	5
Carbaryl (Skin @)		5
Carbon black		5
Carbon dioxide	4,000	8,000
Carbon monoxide	50	55
Chlordane—Skin		0.5
Chlorinated camphene—Skin		0.5
Chlorinated diphenyl azide		0.5
*Chlorine	1	3
Chlorine dioxide	0.1	0.3
C Chlorine trifluoride	0.1	0.4
C Chloroacetaldehyde	1	3
o-Chloroacetophenone (phenacylchloride)	0.05	0.3
Chlorobenzene (monochlorobenzene)	75	260
o-Chlorobenzylidene malonitrile (OCBM)	0.05	0.4
Chlorobromomethane	200	1,040
2-Chloro-1,3-butadiene, see Chloroprene		
Chloroprene		
Chlorodiphenyl (42 percent Chlorine)—Skin		1
Chlorodiphenyl (34 percent Chlorine)—Skin		0.5
1-Chloro-2,3-epoxypropane, see Epichlorohydrin		
Epichlorohydrin		
2-Chloroethanol, see Ethylene chlorohydrin		
Chloroethylene, see Vinyl chloride		
C Chloroform (trichloromethane)		
1-Chloro-1-nitropropane	20	100
Chloroform	0.1	0.7
Chloroprene (2-chloro-1,3-butadiene)—Skin	25	60

TABLE G-1—Continued

Substance	p.p.m.*	mg./M ³ *
Chromium, sol. chromic, chromous salts as Cr		0.5
Metal and inorg. salts		1
Coal tar pitch volatiles (benzene soluble fraction) anthracene, B.P. phenanthrene, acridine, chrysene, pyrene		0.2
Cobalt, metal fume and dust		0.1
Copper fume		0.1
Dusts and Mists		1
Cotton dust (raw)		1
Crocidin herbicide		15
Cresol (all isomers)—Skin	5	22
Crotonaldehyde	7	5
Cumene—Skin	50	245
Cyanide (as CN)—Skin		4
Cyclohexane	300	1,060
Cyclohexanol	50	200
Cyclohexanone	50	200
Cyclohexene	300	1,015
Cyclopentadiene	75	250
2,4-D		10
DDT—Skin		1
DDVP, see Dichlorvos		
Decaborane—Skin	0.05	0.3
Demeton—Skin		0.1
Diacetone alcohol (4-hydroxy-4-methyl-2-pentanone)	50	240
1,2-Diaminoethane, see Ethylenediamine		
Diazomethane	0.2	0.4
Diborane	0.1	0.1
Dibutylphthalate		
C o-Dichlorobenzene	20	300
p-Dichlorobenzene	75	450
Dichlorodifluoromethane	1,000	4,960
1,1-Dichloro-2,2-dimethylhydantoin		0.2
1,1-Dichloroethane	100	400
1,2-Dichloroethylene	200	750
C Dichloroethyl ether—Skin	15	90
Dichloromethane, see Methylenechloride		
Dichloromono-fluoromethane	1,000	4,200
C 1,1-Dichloro-1-nitroethane	10	60
1,2-Dichloropropane, see Propylenedichloride		
Dichlorotetrafluoroethane	1,000	7,000
Dichlorvos (DDVP)—Skin		1
Dieldrin—Skin		0.25
Diethylamine	25	75
Diethylamine ethanediol	10	30
Diethyl ether, see Ethyl ether		
Difluorodibromomethane	100	nan
C Diglycidyl ether (DGE)	0.5	2.5
Dihydroxybenzene, see Hydroquinone		
Disobutyl ketone	50	280
Diisopropylamine—Skin	5	20
Dimethoxymethane, see Propylenedichloride		
Dimethyl acetamide—Skin	10	35
Dimethylamine	10	15
Dimethylaminobenzene, see Xylidene		
Dimethylaniline (N-dimethylaniline)—Skin	5	25
Dimethylbenzene, see Xylene		
Dimethyl 1,2-dibromo-2,2-dichloroethyl phosphite (Dibrom)		3
Dimethylformamide—Skin	10	30
2,6-Dimethylheptanone, see Diisobutyl ketone		
1,1-Dimethylhydrazine—Skin	0.5	1
Dimethylphthalate		5
Dimethylsulfate—Skin	1	5
Dinitrobenzene (all isomers)—Skin		1
Dinitro-o-cresol—Skin		0.2
Dinitrophenol—Skin		1.5
Dioxane (Diethylene dioxide)—Skin		
Diphenyl	100	260
Diphenylmethane diisocyanate (see Methylene bisphenyl isocyanate (MDI))		
Dipropylene glycol methyl ether—Skin	100	600
Di-sec. octyl phthalate (Di-2-ethylhexylphthalate)		5
Enfrin—Skin		0.1
Epichlorohydrin—Skin	5	19
E.P.N.—Skin		0.5
1,2-Epoxypropane, see Propyleneoxide		
2,3-Epoxy-1-propanol, see Glycidol		

See footnotes at end of table.

TABLE G-2

Material	8-hour time weighted average	Acceptable ceiling concentration	Acceptable maximum peak above the acceptable ceiling concentration for an 8-hour shift.	
			Concentration	Maximum duration
Benzene (Z37.4-1969).....	10 p.p.m.	25 p.p.m.	50 p.p.m.	10 minutes.
Beryllium and beryllium compounds (Z37.20-1970).....	2 µg./M ³	5 µg./M ³	25 µg./M ³	30 minutes.
Cadmium fume (Z37.5-1970).....	0.1 mg./M ³	3 mg./M ³		
Cadmium dust (Z37.5-1970).....	0.2 mg./M ³	0.6 mg./M ³		
Carbon disulfide (Z37.9-1968).....	20 p.p.m.	80 p.p.m.	100 p.p.m.	
Carbon tetrachloride (Z37.17-1967).....	10 p.p.m.	25 p.p.m.	200 p.p.m.	
Ethylene dibromide (Z37.31-1970).....	20 p.p.m.	30 p.p.m.	80 p.p.m.	Do.
Ethylene dichloride (Z37.21-1969).....	50 p.p.m.	100 p.p.m.	200 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 4 hours.
Formaldehyde (Z37.15-1967).....	3 p.p.m.	5 p.p.m.	10 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Hydrogen fluoride (Z37.26-1969).....	do.	do.	do.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Fluoride as dust (Z37.28-1969).....	2.5 mg./M ³	do.	do.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Lead and its inorganic compounds (Z37.11-1969).....	0.2 mg./M ³	do.	do.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Methyl chloride (Z37.16-1969).....	100 p.p.m.	200 p.p.m.	500 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Methylene Chloride (Z37.3-1969).....	500 p.p.m.	1,000 p.p.m.	2,000 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Organic (alkyl) mercury (Z37.30-1969).....	0.01 mg./M ³	0.04 mg./M ³	do.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Styrene (Z37.14-1969).....	100 p.p.m.	200 p.p.m.	500 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Trichloroethylene (Z37.19-1967).....	do.	do.	200 p.p.m.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Tetrachloroethylene (Z37.23-1967).....	do.	do.	do.	5 minutes in any 2 hours.
Toluene (Z37.12-1967).....	200 p.p.m.	300 p.p.m.	500 p.p.m.	10 minutes.
Hydrogen sulfide (Z37.2-1966).....	20 p.p.m.	20 p.p.m.	60 p.p.m.	10 minutes once only if no other measurable exposure occurs.
Mercury (Z37.8-1971).....	do.	1 mg./10M ³	do.	
Chromic acid and chromates (Z37.7-1971).....	do.	do.	do.	

TABLE G-3—MINERAL DUSTS

Substance	Mppcf*	Mg/M ³	Aerodynamic diameter (unit density sphere)	Percent passing selector
Silica:			2	80
Crystalline:			2.5	75
Quartz (respirable).....	200†	10mg/M ³ =	2.5	50
	%SiO ₂ +4	%SiO ₂ +2	1.0	25
Quartz (total dust).....		30mg/M ³	10	5
		%SiO ₂ +2		
Chrysotile: Use 1/2 the value calculated from the count or mass formulae for quartz.				
Tridymite: Use 1/2 the value calculated from the formulae for quartz.				
Amorphous, including natural diatomaceous earth.....	20	50mg/M ³		
		%SiO ₂		
Silicates (less than 1% crystalline silica):				
Mica.....	20			
Serpentine.....	20			
Talc (non-asbestos-form).....	20*			
Talc (fibrous). Use asbestos limit.				
Tremolite (see talc, fibrous).....				
Portland cement.....	50			
Graphite (natural).....	15			
Coal dust (respirable fraction less than 8% SiO ₂).....		2.4mg/M ³ or		
For more than 8% SiO ₂		10mg/M ³		
		%SiO ₂ +2		
Inert or Nuisance Dust:				
Respirable fraction.....	15	5mg/M ³		
Total dust.....	50	15mg/M ³		

NOTE: Conversion factors—
mppcf(35.3 = million particles per cubic meter = particles per c.c.)

* Millions of particles per cubic foot of air, based on impinger samples counted by high-field techniques.

† The percentage of crystalline silica in the formula is the amount determined from air-borne samples, except in those instances in which other methods have been shown to be applicable.

‡ As determined by the membrane filter method at 450X magnification.

* Both concentration and percent quartz for the application of this limit are to be determined from the fraction passing a size-selector with the following characteristics:

* Containing < 1% quartz; if > 1% quartz, use quartz limit.

(c) *Methods of compliance.*—(1) *Engineering methods.* (i) *Engineering controls.* Engineering controls, such as, but not limited to, isolation, enclosure, exhaust ventilation, and dust collection, shall be used to meet the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(ii) *Local exhaust ventilation.* (a) Local exhaust ventilation and dust collection systems shall be designed, constructed, installed, and maintained in accordance with the American National Standard Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust Systems, ANSI Z9.2-1971, which is incorporated by reference herein.

(b) See § 1910.6 concerning the availability of ANSI Z9.2-1971, and the maintenance of a historic file in connection therewith. The address of the American National Standards Institute is given in § 1910.100.

(iii) *Particular tools.* All hand-operated and power-operated tools which may produce or release asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, such as, but not limited to, saws, scorers, abrasive wheels, and drills, shall be provided with local exhaust ventilation systems in accordance with subdivision (ii) of this subparagraph.

(2) *Work practices.*—(i) *Wet methods.* Insofar as practicable, asbestos shall be handled, mixed, applied, removed, cut, scored, or otherwise worked in a wet state sufficient to prevent the emission of airborne fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, unless the usefulness of the product would be diminished thereby.

(ii) *Particular products and operations.* No asbestos cement, mortar, coating, grout, plaster, or similar material containing asbestos shall be removed from bags, cartons, or other containers in which they are shipped, without being either wetted, or enclosed, or ventilated so as to prevent effectively the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(iii) *Spraying, demolition, or removal.* Employees engaged in the spraying of asbestos, the removal, or demolition of pipes, structures, or equipment covered or insulated with asbestos, and in the removal or demolition of asbestos insulation or coverings shall be provided with respiratory equipment in accordance with paragraph (d) (2) (iii) of this section and with special clothing in accordance with paragraph (d) (3) of this section.

(d) *Personal protective equipment.*—(1) Compliance with the exposure limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section may not be achieved by the use of respirators or shift rotation of employees, except:

(i) During the time period necessary to install the engineering controls and to institute the work practices required by paragraph (c) of this section;

(ii) In work situations in which the methods prescribed in paragraph (c) of

TABLE G-1—Continued

Substance	p.p.m.*	mg./M ³ †
Ethanethiol, see Ethylmercaptan.		
Ethanolamine.....	5	5
2-Ethoxyethanol—Skin.....	200	740
2-Ethoxyethylacetate (Cellulose acetate)—Skin.....	100	340
Ethyl acetate.....	400	1,400
Ethyl acrylate—Skin.....	25	100
Ethyl alcohol (ethanol).....	1,000	1,900
Ethylamine.....	10	18
Ethyl sec-aryl ketone (8-methyl-3-heptanone).....	25	130
Ethyl benzene.....	100	435
Ethyl bromide.....	200	800
Ethyl butyl ketone (3-Heptanone).....	80	280
Ethyl chloride.....	1,000	2,600
Ethyl ether.....	400	1,200
Ethyl formate.....	100	300
C Ethyl mercaptan.....	10	28
Ethyl silicate.....	100	450
Ethylene chlorohydrin—Skin.....	5	18
Ethylene diamine.....	14	25
Ethylene dibromide, see 1,2-Dibromethane.....		
Ethylene dichloride, see 1,2-Dichloroethane.....		
C Ethylene glycol dimethyl ether.....	0.2	1
Ethylene glycol monomethyl ether acetate, see Methyl cellosolve acetate.....		
Ethyleneimine—Skin.....	0.5	1
Ethylene oxide.....	80	90
Ethylidene chloride, see 1,1-Dichloroethane.....		
N-Ethylmorpholine—Skin.....	20	94
Perbam.....	15	15
Ferrocyanide dust.....	1	1
Fluoride (as F).....	2.5	2.5
Fluorine.....	0.1	0.2
Fluorotrichloromethane.....	1,000	4,000
Formic acid.....	5	9
Formal—Skin.....	5	20
Formyl alcohol.....	50	200
Glycidol (2,3-Epoxy-1-propanol).....	80	180
Glycol monomethyl ether, see 2-Ethoxyethanol.....		
Guthion ®, see Aclaphos-methyl.....		
Hexachlor—Skin.....	0.5	0.5
Hexachlor (n-heptane).....	800	2,800
Hexachloroethane—Skin.....	1	10
Hexachloronaphthalene—Skin.....	1	0.2
Hexane (n-hexane).....	500	1,800
2-Hexanone.....	100	410
Hexone (Methyl isobutyl ketone).....	100	410
sec-Hexyl acetate.....	50	200
Hydrazine—Skin.....	1	1.1
Hydrogen bromide.....	3	10
C Hydrogen chloride.....	5	11
Hydrogen cyanide—Skin.....	10	1.4
Hydrogen peroxide (50%).....	0.05	0.2
Hydrogen selenide.....	2	2
Hydroquinone.....	0.1	1
C Iodine.....	10	10
Iron oxide fume.....	100	825
Isobutyl acetate.....	100	360
Isobutyl alcohol.....	150	700
Isobutyl alcohol.....	100	300
Isophorone.....	25	140
Isopropyl acetate.....	250	850
Isopropyl alcohol.....	400	980
Isopropylamine.....	5	12
Isopropyl ether.....	800	2,100
Isopropyl glycidyl ether (IG.E.).....	80	240
Ketone.....	0.5	0.5
Lead arsenate.....	0.15	0.15
Lindane—Skin.....	5	5
Lithium hydride.....	0.025	0.025
L.F.G. (Liquid petroleum gas).....	1,000	1,800
Magnesium oxide fume.....	15	15
Malethion—Skin.....	15	15
Maleic anhydride.....	0.25	1
C Manganese.....	5	5
Mesityl oxide.....	25	100
Methanethiol, see Methyl mercaptan.....		
Methoxychlor.....	15	15
2-Methoxyethanol, see Methyl cellosolve.....		
Methyl acetate.....	200	610
Methyl acetylene (propyne).....	1,000	1,450
Methyl acetylene-propadiene mixture (M.A.P.P.).....	1,000	1,800
Methyl acrylate—Skin.....	10	10
Methylal (dimethoxymethane).....	1,000	2,100
Methyl alcohol (methanol).....	200	250
Methylamine.....	10	12
Methyl amyl alcohol, see Methyl isobutyl carbinol.....		

TABLE G-1—Continued

Substance	p.p.m.*	mg./M ³ †
Methyl (n-amy) ketone (2-Heptanone).....	100	465
C Methyl bromide—Skin.....	20	80
Methyl butyl ketone, see 2-Heptanone.....		
Methyl cellosolve—Skin.....	25	80
Methyl cellosolve acetate—Skin.....	25	120
Methyl chloroform.....	350	1,300
Methyl cyclohexane.....	200	2,000
Methyl cyclohexanol.....	100	470
2-Methylcyclohexanone—Skin.....	100	480
Methyl ethyl ketone (M.E.K.), see 2-Butanone.....		
Methyl formate.....	100	230
Methyl iodide—Skin.....	5	25
Methyl isobutyl carbinol—Skin.....	25	100
Methyl isobutyl ketone, see Hexane.....		
Methyl isocyanate—Skin.....	0.02	0.2
C Methyl mercaptan.....	10	20
Methyl methacrylate.....	100	410
Methyl propyl ketone, see 2-Pentanone.....		
C Methyl salicylate.....	100	480
C Methylene bisphenyl isocyanate (MDI).....	0.02	0.2
Molybdenum.....	5	5
Soluble compounds.....	15	15
Insoluble compounds.....	5	5
Monomethylamine—Skin.....	1	1
C Monomethyl hydrazine.....	0.2	0.3
Skin.....	0.2	0.3
Morpholine—Skin.....	20	70
Naphtha (coal tar).....	100	400
Naphthalene.....	10	80
Nickel carbonyl.....	0.001	0.001
Nickel, metal and soluble compounds.....	1	1
Nicotine—Skin.....	1	0.5
Nitric acid.....	2	5
Nitric oxide.....	25	30
p-Nitroaniline—Skin.....	1	6
Nitrobenzene—Skin.....	1	1
p-Nitrochlorobenzene—Skin.....	100	310
Nitroethane.....	5	5
Nitrogen dioxide.....	10	20
Nitrogen trifluoride.....	0.2	2
Nitroguanidine—Skin.....	100	280
1-Nitropropane.....	25	90
2-Nitropropane.....	25	90
Nitroquinoline.....	5	20
Nitrotrichloromethane, see Chloropicrin.....		
Octachloronaphthalene—Skin.....	0.1	0.1
*Octane.....	800	2,350
*Oil mist, mineral.....	0.5	0.02
Osmium tetroxide.....	0.001	0.001
Oxalic acid.....	0.1	0.1
Oxygen difluoride.....	0.05	0.1
Ozone.....	0.1	0.2
Paraquat—Skin.....	0.5	0.5
Parathion—Skin.....	0.1	0.1
Pentaborane.....	0.005	0.01
Pentachloronaphthalene—Skin.....	0.5	0.5
Pentachlorophenol—Skin.....	0.5	0.5
*Pentane.....	1,000	2,950
2-Pentanone.....	200	700
Perchloromethyl mercaptan.....	0.1	0.5
Perchloric fluoride.....	5	13.5
Petroleum distillates (naphtha).....	500	2,000
Phenol—Skin.....	5	19
Phenyl ether (vapor).....	1	0.1
Phenyl ether-biphenyl mixture (vapor).....	1	7
Phenylethylene, see Styrene.....		
Phenyl glycidyl ether (P.G.E.).....	10	80
Phenylhydrazine—Skin.....	5	22
Phosdrin (Mevinphos ®).....	0.1	0.1
Skin.....	0.1	0.1
Phosgene (carbonyl chloride).....	0.1	0.4
Phosphine.....	0.3	0.4
Phosphoric acid.....	1	1
Phosphorus (yellow).....	0.1	0.1
Phosphorus pentachloride.....	1	1
Phosphorus pentasulfide.....	1	1
Phosphorus trichloride.....	0.5	2
Phthalic anhydride.....	2	12
Picric acid—Skin.....	0.1	0.1
Pival ® (2-Pivalyl-1,3-indandione).....	0.1	0.1
Platinum (Soluble Salts) as Pt.....	0.002	0.002
Propargyl alcohol—Skin.....	1	1
Propene.....	1,000	1,800
n-Propyl acetate.....	200	840
Propyl alcohol.....	200	800
n-Propyl nitrate.....	25	110
Propylene dichloride.....	75	340
Propylene imine—Skin.....	2	5
Propylene oxide.....	100	240
Propyne, see Methylacetylene.....		
Pyrethrum.....	5	5
Pyridine.....	15	15
Quilone.....	0.1	0.4
SDX—Skin.....	1.5	1.5

TABLE G-1—Continued

Substance	p.p.m.*	mg./M ³ †
Rhodium, Metal fume and dusts, as Rh.....	0.1	0.1
Soluble salts.....	0.01	0.01
Ronnel.....	10	10
Rotenone (commercial).....	5	5
Selenium compounds (as Se).....	0.2	0.2
Selenium hexafluoride.....	0.05	0.4
Silver, metal and soluble compounds.....	0.01	0.01
Sodium fluoracetate (1080)—Skin.....	0.05	0.05
Sodium hydroxide.....	2	2
Stibine.....	0.1	0.5
Stoddard solvent.....	800	2,800
Styrene.....	0.15	0.15
Sulfur dioxide.....	1,000	6,000
Sulfur hexafluoride.....	1	1
Sulfuric acid.....	1	1
Sulfur monochloride.....	0.025	0.25
Sulfur pentasulfide.....	0.025	0.25
Sulfonyl fluoride.....	5	20
Synal, see Dazeton ®.....		
2,4-T.....	10	10
Tantalum.....	5	5
TEBP—Skin.....	0.2	0.2
Tellurium.....	0.1	0.1
Tellurium hexafluoride.....	0.02	0.2
TEPP—Skin.....	0.05	0.05
C Tetrachloro-2,2-difluoroethane.....	1	1
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloro-2,2-difluoroethane.....	800	4,170
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloro-1,2-difluoroethane.....	800	4,170
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane—Skin.....	5	35
Tetrachloroethylene, see Perchloroethylene.....		
Tetrachloromethane, see Carbon tetrachloride.....		
Tetrachloronaphthalene—Skin.....	2	2
Tetraethyl lead (as Pb)—Skin.....	0.075	0.075
Tetrahydrofuran.....	300	360
Tetramethyl lead (as Pb)—Skin.....	0.07	0.07
Tetramethyl succinonitrile—Skin.....	0.5	5
Tetranitromethane.....	1	5
Tetryl (2,4,6-trinitrophenyl-methyl nitramine)—Skin.....	1.5	1.5
Thallium (soluble compounds)—Skin as Tl.....	0.1	0.1
Thiram.....	5	5
Tin (inorganic compounds, except oxides).....	2	2
Tin (organic compounds).....	0.1	0.1
C Tinolene-2,4-dicyanate.....	0.02	0.14
n-Toluidine—Skin.....	5	22
Toxaphene, see Chlordane.....		
Tributyl phosphite.....	5	5
1,1,1-Trichloroethane see Methyl chloroform.....		
1,1,2-Trichloroethane—Skin.....	10	45
Titanium dioxide.....	15	15
Trichloromethane, see Chloroform.....		
Trichloronaphthalene—Skin.....	5	5
1,2,3-Trichloropropane.....	50	800
1,1,2-Trichloro-1,2,2-trifluoroethane.....	1,000	7,800
Triethylamine.....	25	100
Trifluoromethoxybenzene.....	1,000	4,100
2,4,6-Trinitrophenol, see Picric acid.....		
4,4-Trinitrophenylmethyl nitramine, see Tetryl.....		
Trinitrobenzene—Skin.....	1.5	1.5
Trithoresyl phosphate.....	0.1	0.1
Triphenyl phosphite.....	100	100
Turpentine (soluble compounds).....	0.05	0.05
Uranium (insoluble compounds).....	0.25	0.25
Vanadium.....	0.5	0.5
VO ₂ dust.....	0.5	0.5
VO ₂ fume.....	0.1	0.1
Vinyl benzene, see Styrene.....		
Vinyl cyanide, see Acrylonitrile.....		
Vinyl toluene.....	150	450
Varian.....	0.1	0.1
Vylene (xylol).....	100	435
Vylidine—Skin.....	5	25
Vitrium.....	1	1
Vinc chloride fume.....	1	1
Vinc oxide fume.....	5	5
Zirconium compounds (as Zr).....	5	5

* 1970 Addition.
 * Parts of vapor or gas per million parts of contaminated air by volume at 25° C. and 760 mm. Hg pressure.
 * Approximate milligrams of particulate per cubic meter of air.
 (No footnote "c" is used to avoid confusion with ceiling values notations.)
 * An atmospheric concentration of not more than 0.02 p.p.m., or personal protection may be necessary to avoid headache.
 * As sampled by method that does not collect vapor.
 * For control of general room air, biologic monitoring is essential for personnel control.

[Vinyl chloride deleted at 39 FR 12343, April 5, 1974]

this section are either technically not feasible or feasible to an extent insufficient to reduce the airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers below the limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section:

(iii) In emergencies.

(iv) Where both respirators and personnel rotation are allowed by subdivisions (i), (ii), or (iii) of this subparagraph, and both are practicable, personnel rotation shall be preferred and used.

(2) Where a respirator is permitted by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, it shall be selected from among those approved by the Bureau of Mines, Department of the Interior, or the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, under the provisions of 30 CFR Part 11 (37 F.R. 6244, Mar. 25, 1972), and shall be used in accordance with subdivisions (i), (ii), (iii), and (iv) of this subparagraph.

(i) **Air purifying respirators.** A reusable or single use air purifying respirator, or a respirator described in subdivision (ii) or (iii) of this subparagraph, shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed no more than 10 times those limits.

(ii) **Powered air purifying respirators.** A full facepiece powered air purifying respirator, or a powered air purifying respirator, or a respirator described in subdivision (iii) of this subparagraph, shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour time-weighted average concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed 10 times, but not 100 times, those limits.

(iii) **Type "C" supplied-air respirators, continuous flow or pressure-demand class.** A type "C" continuous flow or pressure-demand, supplied-air respirator shall be used to reduce the concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers in the respirator below the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, when the ceiling or the 8-hour time-weighted average airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers are reasonably expected to exceed 100 times those limits.

(iv) **Establishment of a respirator program.** (a) The employer shall establish a respirator program in accordance with the requirements of the American National Standards Practices for Respiratory Protection, ANSI Z88.2-1969, which is incorporated by reference herein.

b. See § 1910.6 concerning the availability of ANSI Z88.2-1969 and the maintenance of an historic file in connection therewith. The address of the American National Standards Institute is given in § 1910.100.

(c) No employee shall be assigned to tasks requiring the use of respirators if, based upon his most recent examination, an examining physician determines that the employee will be unable to function normally wearing a respirator, or that

the safety or health of the employee or other employees will be impaired by his use of a respirator. Such employee shall be rotated to another job or given the opportunity to transfer to a different position whose duties he is able to perform with the same employer, in the same geographical area and with the same seniority, status, and rate of pay he had just prior to such transfer, if such a different position is available.

(3) **Special clothing.** The employer shall provide, and require the use of, special clothing, such as coveralls or similar whole body clothing, head coverings, gloves, and foot coverings for any employee exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, which exceed the ceiling level prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(4) **Change rooms.** (i) At any fixed place of employment exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section, the employer shall provide change rooms for employees working regularly at the place.

(ii) **Clothes lockers.** The employer shall provide two separate lockers or containers for each employee, so separated or isolated as to prevent contamination of the employee's street clothes from his work clothes.

(iii) **Laundering.** (a) Laundering of asbestos contaminated clothing shall be done so as to prevent the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(b) Any employer who gives asbestos-contaminated clothing to another person for laundering shall inform such person of the requirement in (a) of this subdivision to effectively prevent the release of airborne asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(c) Contaminated clothing shall be transported in sealed impermeable bags, or other closed, impermeable containers, and labeled in accordance with paragraph (g) of this section.

(e) **Method of measurement.** All determinations of airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers shall be made by the membrane filter method at 400-450 X (magnification) (4 millimeter objective) with phase contrast illumination.

(f) **Monitoring.** (1) **Initial determinations.** Within 6 months of the publication of this section, every employer shall cause every place of employment where asbestos fibers are released to be monitored in such a way as to determine whether every employee's exposure to asbestos fibers is below the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section. If the limits are exceeded, the employer shall immediately undertake a compliance program in accordance with paragraph (c) of this section.

(2) **Personal monitoring.** (i) Samples shall be collected from within the breathing zone of the employee, on membrane filters of 0.8 micrometer porosity mounted in an open-face filter holder. Samples shall be taken for the determination of the 8-hour time-weighted average airborne concentrations and of the ceiling concentrations of asbestos fibers.

(ii) **Sampling frequency and pattern.** After the initial determinations required by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, samples shall be of such frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of exposure of employees. In no case shall the sampling be done at intervals greater than 6 months for employees whose exposure to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the limits prescribed by paragraph (b) of this section.

(3) **Environmental monitoring.** (i) Samples shall be collected from areas of a work environment which are representative of the airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers which may reach the breathing zone of employees. Samples shall be collected on a membrane filter of 0.8 micrometer porosity mounted in an open-face filter holder. Samples shall be taken for the determination of the 8-hour time-weighted average airborne concentrations and of the ceiling concentrations of asbestos fibers.

(ii) **Sampling frequency and patterns.** After the initial determinations required by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, samples shall be of such frequency and pattern as to represent with reasonable accuracy the levels of exposure of the employees. In no case shall sampling be at intervals greater than 6 months for employees whose exposures to asbestos may reasonably be foreseen to exceed the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section.

(4) **Employee observation or monitoring.** Affected employees, or their representatives, shall be given a reasonable opportunity to observe any monitoring required by this paragraph and shall have access to the records thereof.

(g) **Caution signs and labels.** (1) **Caution signs.** (i) **Posting.** Caution signs shall be provided and displayed at each location where airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers may be in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section. Signs shall be posted at such a distance from such a location so that an employee may read the signs and take necessary protective steps before entering the area marked by the signs. Signs shall be posted at all approaches to areas containing excessive concentrations of airborne asbestos fibers.

(ii) **Sign specifications.** The warning signs required by subdivision (1) of this subparagraph shall conform to the requirements of 20" x 14" vertical format signs specified in § 1910.145(d)(4), and to this subdivision. The signs shall display the following legend in the lower panel, with letter sizes and styles of a visibility at least equal to that specified in this subdivision.

Legend	Notation
Asbestos	1" Sans Serif, Gothic or Black.
Dust Hazard	¾" Sans Serif, Gothic or Black.
Avoid Breathing Dust...	¾" Gothic.
Wear Assigned Protective Equipment.	¾" Gothic.
Do Not Remain In Area Unless Your Work Requires It.	¾" Gothic.

Legend	Notation
Breathing Asbestos Dust May Be Hazardous To Your Health.	14 point Gothic.

Spacing between lines shall be at least equal to the height of the upper of any two lines.

(2) **Caution labels.**—(i) **Labeling.** Caution labels shall be affixed to all raw materials, mixtures, scrap, waste, debris, and other products containing asbestos fibers, or to their containers, except that no label is required where asbestos fibers have been modified by a bonding agent, coating, binder, or other material so that during any reasonably foreseeable use, handling, storage, disposal, processing, or transportation, no airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section will be released.

(ii) **Label specifications.** The caution labels required by subdivision (i) of this subparagraph shall be printed in letters of sufficient size and contrast as to be readily visible and legible. The label shall state:

CAUTION

Contains Asbestos Fibers
Avoid Creating Dust

Breathing Asbestos Dust May Cause
Serious Bodily Harm

(h) **Housekeeping.**—(1) **Cleaning.** All external surfaces in any place of employment shall be maintained free of accumulations of asbestos fibers if, with their dispersion, there would be an excessive concentration.

(2) **Waste disposal.** Asbestos waste, scrap, debris, bags, containers, equipment, and asbestos-contaminated clothing, consigned for disposal, which may produce in any reasonably foreseeable use, handling, storage, processing, disposal, or transportation airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the exposure limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section shall be collected and disposed of in sealed impervious bags, or other closed, impermeable containers.

(i) **Recordkeeping.**—(1) **Exposure records.** Every employer shall maintain records of any personal or environmental monitoring required by this section. Records shall be maintained for a period of at least 20 years and shall be made available upon request to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, the Director of the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, and to authorized representatives of either.

[1910.1001(i)(1) amended at 41 FR 11505, March 19, 1976]

(2) **Employee access.** Every employee and former employee shall have reasonable access to any record required to be maintained by subparagraph (1) of this paragraph, which indicates the employee's own exposure to asbestos fibers.

(3) **Employee notification.** Any employee found to have been exposed at any time to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers in excess of the limits prescribed in paragraph (b) of this section shall be notified in writing of the exposure as soon as practicable but not later than 5 days of the finding. The employee shall also be timely notified of the corrective action being taken.

(j) **Medical examinations.**—(1) **General.** The employer shall provide or make available at his cost, medical examinations relative to exposure to asbestos required by this paragraph.

(2) **Preplacement.** The employer shall provide or make available to each of his employees, within 30 calendar days following his first employment in an occupation exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination, which shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), a history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV₁).

(3) **Annual examinations.** On or before January 31, 1973, and at least annually thereafter, every employer shall provide, or make available, comprehensive medical examinations to each of his employees engaged in occupations exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers. Such annual examination shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), a history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV₁).

(4) **Termination of employment.** The employer shall provide, or make available, within 30 calendar days before or after the termination of employment of any employee engaged in an occupation exposed to airborne concentrations of asbestos fibers, a comprehensive medical examination which shall include, as a minimum, a chest roentgenogram (posterior-anterior 14 x 17 inches), a history to elicit symptomatology of respiratory disease, and pulmonary function tests to include forced vital capacity (FVC) and forced expiratory volume at 1 second (FEV₁).

(5) **Recent examinations.** No medical examination is required of any employee, if adequate records show that the employee has been examined in accordance with this paragraph within the past 1-year period.

(6) **Medical records.**—(i) **Maintenance.** Employers of employees examined pursuant to this paragraph shall cause to be maintained complete and accurate records of all such medical examinations. Records shall be retained by employers for at least 20 years.

(ii) **Access.** The contents of the records of the medical examinations required by this paragraph shall be made available, for inspection and copying, to the Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health, the Director of NIOSH, to authorized physicians and medical consultants of either of them, and, upon the request of an employee or former employee, to his physician. Any physician who conducts a medical examination required by this paragraph shall furnish to the employer of the examined employee all the information specifically required by this paragraph, and any other medical information related to occupational exposure to asbestos fibers.

§ 1910.1002 Coal tar pitch volatiles; interpretation of term.

As used in Sec. 1910.1000 (Table Z-1, coal tar pitch volatiles) include the fused polycyclic hydrocarbons which volatilize from the distillation residues of coal, petroleum, wood, and other organic matter.

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[Editor's Note: For the following circular and temporary medical examination provisions are promulgated by the Third Circuit Court of Appeals. Provisions of this paragraph which were cited by the court.]

§ 1910.1003 4-Nitrobiphenyl.

(a) **Scope and application.** (1) This section applies to any area in which 4-Nitrobiphenyl, Chemical Abstracts Service Registry Number 92933 is manufactured, processed, repackaged, released, handled, or stored, but shall not apply to transshipment in sealed containers, except for the labeling requirements under paragraphs (e) (2), (3), and (4) of this section.

(2) This section shall not apply to solid or liquid mixtures containing less than 0.1 percent by weight or volume of 4-Nitrobiphenyl.

(b) **Definitions.** For the purposes of this section: (1) "Absolute filter" is one capable of retaining 99.97 percent of a mono disperse aerosol of 0.3 µm particles.

(2) "Authorized employee" means an employee whose duties require him to be in the regulated area and who has been specifically assigned by the employer.

(3) "Clean change room" means a room where employees put on clean clothing and/or protective equipment in an environment free of 4-Nitrobiphenyl. The clean change room shall be contiguous to and have an entry from a shower room, when the shower room facilities are otherwise required in this section.

(4) "Closed system" means an operation involving 4-Nitrobiphenyl where containment prevents the release of 4-Nitrobiphenyl into regulated areas, non-regulated areas, or the external environment.

(5) "Decontamination" means the inactivation of 4-Nitrobiphenyl or its safe disposal.

(6) "Director" means the Director, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health, or any person directed by him or the Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare to act for the Director.

(7) "Disposal" means the safe removal of 4-Nitrobiphenyl from the work environment.

(8) "Emergency" means an unforeseen circumstance or set of circumstances resulting in the release of 4-Nitrobiphenyl which may result in exposure to or contact with 4-Nitrobiphenyl.

(9) "External environment" means any environment external to regulated and nonregulated areas.

(10) "Isolated system" means a fully enclosed structure other than the vessel of containment of 4-Nitrobiphenyl, which is impervious to the passage of 4-Nitrobiphenyl, and which would prevent