

# Improve Tracking of Workplace Injuries and Illnesses Electronic Submission of OSHA Form 300 and 301 Data

## **The New Requirements**

- Establishments with 100 or more employees in designated high-hazard industries (listed in Appendix B to Subpart E of 29 CFR Part 1904) must electronically submit to OSHA detailed information about each recordable injury and illness entered on their previous calendar year's OSHA Form 300 Log and Form 301 Incident Report (29 CFR 1904.41). This includes the date, physical location, and severity of the injury or illness; details about the worker who was injured; and details about how the injury or illness occurred.
- All the establishments required to submit information from their OSHA Form 300 Log and OSHA Form 301 Incident Report to OSHA under this rule are already required to collect and retain this information, and are currently required to electronically submit to OSHA information from their OSHA Form 300A Annual Summary.
- Retains the requirement for all establishments with 250+ employees in industries that must routinely keep records to submit the OSHA Form 300A Annual Summary.
- Each establishment must provide their legal company name when submitting their data.
- · Which establishments have to submit?
  - Establishments that had a peak employment of 100 or more employees during the previous calendar year meet the size criteria.
  - The designated industries are listed in Appendix B to Subpart E of 29 CFR Part 1904.
  - OSHA will provide an ITA Coverage Application to help establishments determine whether they have to comply with these new requirements.
  - The requirements apply to establishments covered by Federal OSHA, as well as establishments covered by states with their own occupational safety and health programs (i.e., State Plans).

- OSHA estimates approximately 50,000
   establishments will be required to submit their
   case-specific injury and illness data. OSHA
   estimates they will submit information on
   approximately 750,000 injury and illness
   cases annually. Focusing the requirements on
   establishments with 100 or more employees
   in higher hazard industries means that fewer
   than one percent of establishments in the
   country will submit additional data, but the
   injury and illness data submitted by those
   establishments will comprise nearly 30% of all
   reportable occupational injuries and illnesses.
- OSHA estimates it will cost affected establishments with 100 or more employees an average of \$136 per year to comply.
- The data must be electronically submitted through OSHA's Injury Tracking Application (ITA). There are 3 ways to submit the data:
  - webform on the ITA;
  - submission of a csv file to the ITA;
  - use of an application programming interface (API) feed.

The ITA will begin accepting 2023 injury and illness data on January 2, 2024. The due date to complete this submission is March 2, 2024. The submission requirement is annual, and the deadline for timely submission of the previous year's injury and illness data will be on March 2 of each year.

### **Benefits of the New Requirements**

 Benefits to OSHA: Access to establishmentspecific, case-specific injury and illness data will help the agency identify establishments with specific hazards. This will enable the agency to interact directly with these establishments, through enforcement and/or outreach activities, to address and abate the hazards and improve worker safety and health. These same data will also allow OSHA to better analyze injury trends related to specific industries, processes or hazards. The collection and publication of data from Forms 300 and 301 will not only increase the amount of information available for analysis but will also result in more accurate statistics regarding work-related injuries and illnesses, including more detailed statistics on injuries and illnesses for specific occupations and industries.

- Benefits to interested parties: Public access to establishment-specific, case-specific injury and illness data will allow employers, employees, potential employees, employee representatives, customers, potential customers, and the general public to make more informed decisions about workplace safety and health at a given establishment. In addition, researchers will be better able to identify patterns of injuries, illnesses, and hazardous conditions in workplaces. OSHA believes this access will ultimately result in the reduction of occupational injuries and illnesses.
- OSHA will make most of the data submitted under these new requirements available to the public. OSHA will take multiple steps to protect the identity of injured or ill workers, including:
  - OSHA will not collect worker names and addresses;
  - OSHA will convert birth dates to age and discard birth dates;
  - OSHA will remind employers not to submit information that could directly identify workers, such as names, addresses, telephone numbers, etc.;
  - OSHA will withhold from publication the information on age, gender, date hired, and whether the worker was treated in an emergency room and/or hospitalized overnight as an in-patient;
  - OSHA will use automated information technology to detect and remove any remaining information that could directly identify workers.

#### **Additional Information**

For more information visit the Injury Tracking Application page.

## **Workers' Rights**

Workers have the right to:

- Working conditions that do not pose a risk of serious harm.
- Receive information and training (in a language and vocabulary the worker understands) about workplace hazards, methods to prevent them, and the OSHA standards that apply to their workplace.
- Review records of work-related injuries and illnesses.
- File a complaint asking OSHA to inspect their workplace if they believe there is a serious hazard or that their employer is not following OSHA's rules. OSHA will keep all identities confidential.
- Exercise their rights under the law without retaliation, including reporting an injury or raising health and safety concerns with their employer or OSHA. If a worker has been retaliated against for using their rights, they must file a complaint with OSHA as soon as possible, but no later than 30 days.

For additional information, see OSHA's Workers page (www.osha.gov/workers).

#### **How to Contact OSHA**

Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, employers are responsible for providing safe and healthful workplaces for their employees. OSHA's role is to ensure these conditions for America's workers by setting and enforcing standards, and providing training, education and assistance. For more information, visit www.osha.gov or call OSHA at 1-800-321-OSHA (6742), TTY 1-877-889-5627.

This is one in a series of informational fact sheets highlighting OSHA programs, policies or standards. It does not impose any new compliance requirements. For a comprehensive list of compliance requirements of OSHA standards or regulations, refer to Title 29 of the Code of Federal Regulations. This information will be made available to sensory-impaired individuals upon request. The voice phone is (202) 693-1999; teletypewriter (TTY) number: (877) 889-5627.

