

VOSH PROGRAM DIRECTIVE: 12-259**ISSUED: 01 June 2018****Subject** **Textiles, §1910.262; Amendment****Purpose** This Directive transmits to field personnel an amendment to the Textiles standard, §1910.262, which was enacted in conjunction with the adoption of the Final Rule on Walking-Working Surfaces (81 FR 82494, 18 November 2016).

This Program Directive is an internal guideline, not a statutory or regulatory rule, and is intended to provide instructions to VOSH personnel regarding internal operation of the Virginia Occupational Safety and Health Program and is solely for the benefit of the program. This document is not subject to the Virginia Register Act or the Administrative Process Act; it does not have general application and is not being enforced as having the force of law.

Scope This Directive applies VOSH-wide.**Reference** 81 FR 82494 (18 November 2016)**Cancellation** Not Applicable**Effective Date** 15 March 2018**Expiration Date** Not Applicable – Remains in effect until cancelled or superseded.**Action** Directors and Managers shall ensure that field personnel understand and enforce the amendment to the standard in this Directive and that it is uniformly administered.

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When the guidelines, as set forth in this Program Directive, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following federal terms if, and where they are used, shall be considered to read as below:

<u>Federal Terms</u>	<u>VOSH Equivalent</u>
OSHA	VOSH
Federal Agency	State Agency
Agency	Department
Regional Administrator	Assistant Commissioner
Area Director	Regional Director VOSH Program Director
Regional Solicitor	Attorney General or VOSH Division of Legal Support (DLS)
Office of Statistics	VOSH Research and Analysis
29 CFR	VOSH Standard
Compliance Safety and Health Officer (CSHO)	CSHO

I. Background

On 18 November 2016, federal OSHA published its new Final Rule on Walking-Working Surfaces (81 FR 82494), which also impacted Subpart R – Special Industries, §1910.259, Textiles.

On 16 February 2017, the Safety and Health Codes Board adopted the new Final Rule on Walking-Working Surfaces and its resulting amendment to Textiles, §1910.259, with an effective date of 15 May 2017.

II. Summary

In conjunction with the promulgation of the new standard on Walking-Working Surfaces, federal OSHA amended §1910.262, Textiles, of Subpart R – Special Industries, by revising paragraph (r) to reference Subpart D, Walking-Working Surfaces, §§1910.21 through 1910.30, to ensure that employers comply with applicable general industry guardrails requirements.

To access the Amendment to Textiles within the Final Rule for the Walking-Working Surfaces and Personal Protective Equipment (Fall Protection Systems), please click on the link below:

https://www.osha.gov/FedReg_osha_pdf/FED20161118.pdf

TEXTILES; Amendments

As Adopted by the
Safety and Health Codes Board

Date: 16 February 2017



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Effective Date: 15 May 2017

16VAC25-90-1910.259, Textiles

When the regulations, as set forth in the amendments to the standard on Textiles, §1910.259, are applied to the Commissioner of the Department of Labor and Industry and/or to Virginia employers, the following federal terms shall be considered to read as below:

Federal Terms	VOSH Equivalent
29 CFR	VOSH Standard
Assistant Secretary	Commissioner of Labor and Industry
Agency	Department
17 January 2017	15 February 2017

- 18. In § 1910.262, revise paragraph (r) to read as follows:

§ 1910.262 Textiles.

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(r) *Gray and white bins.* On new installations guardrails that comply with subpart D of this part shall be provided where workers are required to plait by hand from the top of the bin so as to protect the worker from falling to a lower level.

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