

FOOT PROTECTION / OREGON RULES FOR FOOT PROTECTION

Oregon Administrative Rules
Oregon Occupational Safety
and Health Division

§1910.136 Foot Protection.

(a) General requirements. The employer shall ensure that each affected employee use protective footwear when working in areas where there is a danger of foot injuries due to falling or rolling objects, or objects piercing the sole, and where such employee's feet are exposed to electrical hazards.

(b) Criteria for protective footwear.

(7) Protective footwear purchased after July 5, 1994 shall comply with ANSI Z41-1991, "American National Standard for Personal Protection – Protective Footwear," which is incorporated by reference as specified in §1910.6, or shall be demonstrated by the employer to be equally effective.

(8) Protective footwear purchased before July 5, 1994 shall comply with the ANSI standard "USA Standard for Men's Safety-Toe Footwear," Z41.1-1967, which is incorporated by reference, as specified in §1910.6, or shall be demonstrated by the employer to be equally effective.

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Stat. Auth.: ORS 654.025(2) and 656.726(3).

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OR-OSHA Admin. Order 9-1993, f. 7/29/93, ef. 9/15/93.
OR-OSHA Admin. Order 5-1994, f. 9/30/94, ef. 9/30/94.
OR-OSHA Admin. Order 3-1997, f. 3/28/97 ef. 3/28/97
OR-OSHA Admin. Order 4-1997, f. 4/2/97, ef. 4/2/97.

NOTE: In Oregon, the ANSI Standard may be viewed at the OR-OSHA Resource Center located at 350 Winter Street NE, Room 26, Salem OR 97301-3882.

437-002-0137 Oregon Rules for Foot Protection.

(1) *Special types or designs of shoes or foot guards are required where conditions exist that make their use necessary for the safety of workers.*

(2) *Leggings or high boots of leather, rubber, or other suitable material shall be worn by persons exposed to hot substances or dangerous chemical spills.*

(3) *Employees using chain saws must wear chaps or leg protectors that cover the leg from the upper thigh to mid-calf. The protector must be material designed to resist cuts from the chain saw. Employers must provide this protection at no cost to the employee.*

NOTE to 437-002-0137(3): *Employees working in the tree and shrub services industry must follow rules on this subject in Subdivision 2/R instead of the above.*

Stat. Auth.: ORS 654.025(2) and 656.726(4).

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Hist: WCB Admin. Order 9-1974, f. 3/19/74, ef. 4/15/74.
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OR-OSHA Admin. Order 12-2001, f. 10/26/01, ef. 10/26/01.