



ANSI/ASSP A10.33-2020

SAFETY AND HEALTH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS FOR MULTI-EMPLOYER PROJECTS

ASSP, as secretariat of the A10 ANSI Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) for Construction and Demolitions has published this guide to the newly released <u>ANSI/ASSP A10.33-2020: Safety and Health Program Requirements for Multi-Employer Projects</u>

Past Versions of the Standard:

A10.33-1992 A10.33-1998 A10.33-1998 (R2004) A10.33-2011 A10.33-2011 (R2016) A10.33-2020

Current Status of the A10.33 Standard: The standard was newly revised and was approved as an American National Standard by ANSI on October 1, 2020.

The A10.33-2020 standard sets up the minimum elements and activities of a program that defines the duties and responsibilities of construction employers working on a project where multiple employers are or will be engaged in the common undertaking to complete a construction project. This standard is a basis for use as a minimum safety and health guideline for a program to provide a safe and healthy work environment and to accomplish cost-effective construction.

The standard is one of a series of safety standards that have been formulated by the A10 Standards Committee on Safety Requirements for Construction and Demolition Operations. The A10 standards serve as a guide to contractors, labor, and equipment manufacturers.

Below is from the first several sections of the standard

Scope: This standard sets forth the minimum elements and activities of a program that defines the duties and responsibilities of the parties involved in a multi-employer construction site.

Purpose: The purpose of this standard is to assist owners/clients, construction manager - agents, project constructors and contractors in establishing and managing an effective safety program on a multi-employer worksite.

Philosophy: Worker safety on construction and demolition projects is achieved when the entire project hierarchy, from the owner through to the craft workers, are engaged in the safety initiative of the project. Challenges in a multi-employer environment versus that of a single-employer environment are conveying the



message that safety is important, overcoming perceived conflicts between safety and production, and communicating work activities, inherent safety hazards and controls between employers.

The program elements addressed in this standard are based on a composite of best practices drawn from a variety of organizations in the construction and demolition industry that have consistently executed successful safety programs that were characterized by the absence of undesirable occurrences and personal injuries. Owners and contractors who have implemented such programs have also experienced improved project quality, productivity, and profit.

Exception: This standard is not intended for homeowners contracting to build or have work done on their personal residence.

Background: Investigations of major construction failures and individual injuries show that, in a majority of instances, a lack of coordination between the owner, construction manager, designer, general contractor and/or subcontractors was a primary contributing factor. Research studies have established that the designation of a single individual with overall authority and responsibility for the execution of the construction project is essential to ensuring the safety of the employees and the quality of workmanship. Responsible owners and contractors require that all contractors and employees comply with a minimum number of safety policies and procedures in addition to more detailed requirements developed specifically for each project.

Links & Information

✓ Links and information related to the A10.33 American National Standard:

Essential Requirements used by ANSI

The links below will give you information from ASSP addressing how voluntary national consensus standards are used in regulatory settings:

Voluntary consensus standards can transform your safety program from a compliance-driven cost center into a corporate sustainability initiative that can save lives and boost profits

The ANSI/ASSP A10 American National Standards for Construction and Demolition Operations

ASSP Podcast Episode 11: February 11, 2019: <u>ANSI/ASSP A10 Standards</u> | John Johnson, ANSI/ASSP A10 Committee

ASSP Podcast Episode 3: October 8, 2018: <u>How Government Agencies Use Industry Consensus Standards</u> | Lauren Bauerschmidt, ASSP standards development

ASSP Podcast Episode 1: September 10, 2018: <u>Industry Consensus Standards</u> | Tim Fisher, ASSP standards and technical services

ASSP Article: Managing Safety on Multiemployer Work Sites

ASSP Article: Technical Q&A: What A10 Standards Apply to Construction and Demolition Safety Management?



✓ Additional Examples:

OSHA: ASSE/ASSP asked at the time to present on the A10.33 Standard, [Examples #11 and Example #12]

OSHA: <u>Guidance to Compliance Officers for Focused Inspections in the Construction Industry</u>, [Section 2, References, and Examples

OSHA: A Guide to Scaffold Use in the Construction Industry, [Project Plan]

OSHA: <u>Recommended Practices for Safety and Health Programs, [Resources: Communication and Coordination for Host Employers, Contractors, and Staffing Agencies]</u>

OSHA: Example of being used in <u>Application for Permanent Variance and Interim Order; Grant of Interim Order,</u> [Point #19,See ANSI/ASSE A10.33-2011 (now ASSP), American National Standard for Construction and Demolition Operations--Safety and Health Program Requirements for Multi-Employer Projects, [Reference.]

OSHA: <u>Impregilo Healy Parsons Joint Venture; Application for Permanent Variance and Interim Order; Grant of Interim Order; Request for Comments</u>, [Example: 24See ANSI/ASSE A10.33–2011 {now ASSP}, American National Standard for Construction and Demolition Operations—Safety and Health Program Requirements for Multi-Employer Projects, for reference.

OSHA: Memorandum of Understanding between The Occupational Safety and Health Administration and The American National Standards Institute

From the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – EM-385 Manual (Safety and Health Requirements - Page 790)

From the U.S. Department of Commerce: Occupational Safety and Health Program, [Applicable Standards]

An article from the American National Standards Institute [ANSI] addressing ANSI/ASSP A10.33 titled: <u>Multi-Employer Programs for Construction and Demolition</u>

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