



Department of Consumer & Business Services

Oregon OSHA COVID-19 Temporary Rulemaking for the General Workplace STAKEHOLDER VIRTUAL FORUMS

Oregon OSHA is in the process of developing an emergency rule to address COVID-19 in the workplace. The COVID-19 emergency has highlighted the risks that any infectious disease, particularly one that is airborne, can create for a wide variety of workplaces. As a result of both the immediate and long-term risks highlighted by the current public and occupational health crisis, Oregon OSHA is developing an emergency rule this summer, to be replaced by a permanent rule early in 2021.

Oregon OSHA plans to rely upon as much collaboration and consultation with experts and with stakeholders as the timeframes involved and other circumstances allow. In the case of the temporary rule(s) this will primarily be through targeted virtual forums and the circulation of a draft prior to a decision on adoption. The forums listed here will provide information about the issue and then seek feedback about various approaches and issues. There is not yet a draft proposal -- this process will assist Oregon OSHA in creating a draft.

This list of Confirmed and Tentative Events is current as of July 14, 2020 – additional events added frequently

Thursday, July 16, from 3 pm to 4:30: General Manufacturing & Processing – Pre-register via Zoom at the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZArdOyqrDgtHNGTyHufkpE58wwzfyVhZbc2>.

Friday, July 17, from 11 am to noon: Nurseries (hosted by Oregon Association of Nurseries).

Friday, July 17, from 1 pm to 3:30: Construction – Pre-register via Zoom at the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0kf-Gsrz8pG9cPCci1fLOSrz--YuDV5rGY>.

Friday, July 17, from 3 pm to 4:30: General Retail – Pre-register via Zoom at the following link:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEtce6orD8qH9KQmUIKPI2sG2cmoowSYIE->.

Tuesday, July 21, from 5 pm to 7: Worker Perspective on Exposure Impacts – Pre-register via Zoom at the following link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwofuqvqj4jH9Y5yqnBfLtU_inyx4cq9iAG.

Oregon OSHA is in the process of scheduling additional forums for Construction, for Manufacturing, and for General Retail, as well as forums on Food Processing and Restaurants/Food Service, among others.