



**VOSH PROGRAM DIRECTIVE: 02-415**

**ISSUED: February 1, 2002**

**SUBJECT: Inspection Procedures for Occupational Exposure to Methylene Chloride Final Rule, §§ 1910.1052, 1915.1052 and 1926.1152**

**A. Purpose.**

This directive transmits to field personnel guidelines for a uniform enforcement of the Occupational Exposure to Methylene Chloride Standard, as amended in the Federal Register (September 22, 1998, pages 50711-50732), by setting enforcement policy, providing inspection guidelines, and clarifying and interpreting the regulatory text.

*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.*

**B. Scope.**

This directive applies to all VOSH personnel, and specifically to Occupational Health Compliance and Consultation Services personnel.

**C. Reference.**

OSHA Instruction CPL 2-2.70 (December 14, 2001)

**D. Cancellation.**

VOSH Program Directive 02-431 (September 15, 1998)

**E. Action.**

The Directors and Managers shall assure that the guidelines in this Directive are followed.

**F. Effective Date.**

February 15, 2002

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Commissioner

e-Attachment: OSHA Instruction CPL 2-2.70 (December 14, 2001)

[https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive\\_pdf/CPL\\_2-2\\_70.pdf](https://www.osha.gov/OshDoc/Directive_pdf/CPL_2-2_70.pdf)

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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:

Federal Terms

VOSH Equivalent

29 CFR

VOSH Standard

Regional Administrator

Commissioner of Labor and Industry

Area Director

Regional Director

Regional Solicitor

Attorney General or VOSH Office of Legal Support (OLS)

Agency

Department

Office of Statistics

VOSH Research and Analysis

Compliance Safety and Health Officer (CSHO) and/or Industrial Hygienist

CSHO

Field Inspection Reference Manual (FIRM)

VOSH Field Operations Manual (FOM)