

Regulation of the
Department of Labor

Concerning
**Electric Power Generation, Transmission and
Distribution: Electrical Protective Equipment
(Occupational Safety and Health)**

Regulations adopted after July 1, 2013, become effective upon posting to the website of the Secretary of the State, or at a later date specified within the regulation.

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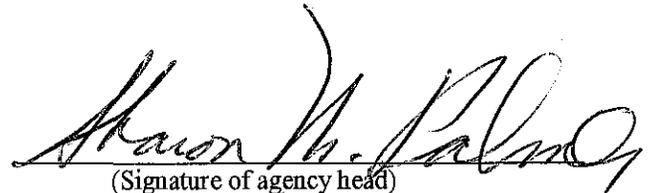
Submit the electronic copy and its certification statement to the Secretary of the State at regulations.sots@ct.gov concurrently with the paper copy of the original regulation, as required by CGS Section 4-172 as amended.

Electronic Copy Certification Statement

I, **Sharon M. Palmer, Commissioner**, of the **Connecticut Department of Labor**, in accordance with the provisions of Section 4-172 of the *General Statutes of the State of Connecticut*, **do hereby certify:**

That the electronic copy of a regulation concerning **Electric Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution; Electrical Protective Equipment**, which was approved by the Legislative Regulation Review Committee on **February 24, 2015**, and which shall be submitted electronically for filing to the Secretary of the State by **Anne Rugens** of this agency on **March 5, 2015**, is a true and accurate copy of the original regulation approved in accordance with Sections 4-169 and 4-170 of the *General Statutes of the State of Connecticut*.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand on **March 3, 2015**.


(Signature of agency head)

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State of Connecticut
REGULATION
of the

NAME OF AGENCY:

Connecticut Department of Labor

Concerning

SUBJECT MATTER OF REGULATION:

Electric Power Generation, Transmission and Distribution; Electrical Protective Equipment

Section 1. Sec. 31-372-101-1910 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended by adding the following:

Section 31-372-101-1910. Safety and health standards for general industry

<u>Standard Affected</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Fed. Reg. Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
Subpart I	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1910.136	Foot protection.	4/11/14	Amended
1910.137	Electrical protective equipment	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix B	Nonmandatory Compliance Guidelines for Hazard Assessment and Personal Protective Equipment Selection	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart R	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1910.269	Electric power generation, transmission and distribution.	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart S	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1910.331	Scope.	4/11/14	Amended
1910.399		4/11/14	Amended

Sec. 2. Sec. 31-372-107-1926 of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies is amended by adding the following:

Section 31-372-107-1926. Safety and Health Regulations for Construction

<u>Standard Affected</u>	<u>Subject</u>	<u>Fed. Reg. Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
Subpart A	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1926.6	Incorporation by reference.	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart E	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1926.97	Electrical protective equipment.	4/11/14	New
Subpart M	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1926.500	Scope, application and definitions applicable to this subpart.	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart V	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart V	Electrical Power Transmission and Distribution	4/11/14	Amended
1926.950	General.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.951	Medical services and first aid.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.952	Job briefing.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.953	Enclosed spaces.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.954	Personal protective equipment.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.955	Portable ladders and platforms.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.956	Hand and portable power equipment.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.957	Live-line tools.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.958	Materials handling and storage.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.959	Mechanical equipment.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.960	Working on or near exposed energized parts.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.961	Deenergizing lines and equipment for employee protection.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.962	Grounding for the protection of employees.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.963	Testing and test facilities.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.964	Overhead lines and live-line barehand work.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.965	Underground electrical installations.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.966	Substations.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.967	Special conditions.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.968	Definitions.	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix B	Working on Exposed Energized Parts	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix C	Protection from Hazardous Differences in Electrical Potential	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix D	Methods of Inspecting and Testing Wood Poles	4/11/14	Amended

Appendix E	Protection from Flames and Electric Arcs	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix F	Work-Positioning Equipment Inspection Guidelines	4/11/14	Amended
Appendix G	Reference Documents	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart X	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1926.1053	Ladders.	4/11/14	Amended
Subpart CC	Authority	4/11/14	Amended
1926.1400	Scope.	4/11/14	Amended
1926.1410	Power line safety (all voltages) – equipment operations closer than the Table A zone.	4/11/14	Amended

Statement of Purpose

Pursuant to CGS Section 4-170(b)(3), "Each proposed regulation shall have a statement of its purpose following the final section of the regulation." Enter the statement here.

Statement of Purpose: The adoption by reference of these revisions to the Federal Occupational Safety and Health Standards will serve to update Connecticut Occupational Safety and Health Standards in accordance with Section 31-372 of the Connecticut General Statutes. On April 11, 2014 the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) published notification of its modifications to the Electric Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution: Electrical Protective Equipment Standard, which will be effective in private sector general industry employment on July 10, 2014.

Conn. Gen. Stat. 31-372 requires, as an element of Connecticut's approved Public Sector-Only State Plan, that the Department of Labor's Occupational Safety and Health Division (CONN-OSHA) adopt all occupational health and safety standards, amendments or changes adopted or recognized by the United States Secretary of Labor under the authority of the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970.

These revisions modify the Electric Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution: Electrical Protective Equipment Standard, which has not been modified since 1972, to make it more consistent with the general industry standard and bring the standard fully up to date.

CERTIFICATION

This certification statement must be completed in full.

I hereby certify that the above Regulation(s)

- 1) is/are (check all that apply) adopted amended repealed by this agency pursuant to the following authority(ies): (complete all that apply)
- a. **Connecticut General Statutes section(s)** 31-372.
- b. **Public Act Number(s)** _____
 (Provide public act number(s) if the authorizing act has not yet been codified in the Connecticut General Statutes.)

And I further certify

- 2) that **Notice of Intent** to adopt, amend or repeal said regulation(s) was electronically submitted to the Secretary of the State on 9/19/14, and posted to the Secretary's regulations website on 9/22/14; (Insert dates notice was (a) emailed to the Secretary of the State and (b) posted on the Secretary's website, if notice and posting were required by CGS 4-168, as amended by PA 13-247 and PA 13-274.)
- 3) and that a public hearing regarding the proposed regulation(s) was held on 10/20/14 or that no public hearing was held; (Insert date(s) of mandatory public hearing(s) held pursuant to CGS 4-168(a), as amended, or other applicable statute, and/or voluntary hearing, or if no hearing was held, check the box for that statement.)
- 4) and that notice of **Decision to Take Action** on said regulations was electronically submitted to the Secretary of the State on 10/28/14, and posted to the Secretary's regulations website on 10/29/14; (Insert dates notice was (a) emailed to the Secretary of the State and (b) posted on the Secretary's website, if notice and posting were required by CGS 4-168, as amended by PA 13-247 and PA 13-274.)
- 5) and that said regulation(s) is/are **EFFECTIVE** (check one, and complete as applicable)
- When posted online by the Secretary of the State.

OR on (insert date) _____.

6) SIGNED (Head of Board, Agency or Commission) <i>Sharon H. Palmer</i>	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED Commissioner	DATE <i>11/5/14</i>
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APPROVED by the Attorney General as to legal sufficiency in accordance with CGS Section 4-169, as amended.

DATE <i>11/21/14</i>	SIGNED (Attorney General or AG's designated representative) <i>Joseph Rubin</i>	OFFICIAL TITLE, DULY AUTHORIZED ASSOC. ATTY. GENERAL
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Proposed regulations are **DEEMED APPROVED** by the Attorney General in accordance with CGS Section 4-169, as amended, if the Attorney General fails to give notice to the agency of any legal insufficiency within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the proposed regulation.

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- APPROVED in WHOLE or WITH technical corrections deletions substitute pages
- DEEMED APPROVED, pursuant CGS 4-170(c), as amended.
- Rejected without Prejudice Disapproved, pursuant to CGS 4-170(c), as amended.

By the Legislative Regulation Review Committee in accordance with CGS Section 4-170, as amended	DATE <i>2-24-15</i>	SIGNED (Administrator, Legislative Regulation Review Committee) <i>[Signature]</i>
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In accordance with CGS Section 4-172, as amended by PA 13-247 and PA 13-274, one certified paper copy and one electronic copy with agency head certification statement received on the date(s) specified below.

DATE	SIGNED (Secretary of the State)	BY
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Date Posted to SOTS Regulations Website:

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