

**STATUS OF MICHIGAN ADOPTING
FINAL FEDERAL OSHA CRANES AND DERRICKS RULES**

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Federal OSHA published their Cranes and Derricks in Construction, Final Rule in the August 9, 2010 Federal Register. This rule became effective November 8, 2010, which means MIOSHA must amend their Construction Safety (CS) Part 10 Lifting and Digging Equipment standard so that it is "at least as effective" as the new Federal OSHA standard within six months, or February 9, 2011.

At this time, MIOSHA continues its work to complete promulgation of an Operator Qualification and Certification rule, which was recommended by the CS Standards Part 10 Lifting and Digging Equipment Advisory Committee and approved by the Construction Safety Standards Commission. In addition, the CS Part 10 Lifting and Digging Equipment Advisory Committee recently came to a consensus on recommended language for Rigger Qualifications and Signal Person Qualifications, and staff are also in the process of reviewing the provisions of CS Part 10 related to Digging and Excavating Equipment to see how they compare with the provisions of the final Federal rules. Recommended language will be brought before the Construction Safety Standards Commission as soon as possible.

Until such time as promulgation of the above changes is complete, employers and employees in Michigan are required to comply with the current CS Part 10 Lifting and Digging Equipment Standard. When serious hazards not covered by the current Michigan rules are identified, MIOSHA would be required to use the General Duty Clause to address those hazards.

Further updates will be provided as new information becomes available.