

OLD GI PART 1, GENERAL PROVISIONS — COMPARISON TO NEW RULES

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This table compares the rescinded rules for walking-working surfaces from the old GI Part 1 with the new rules in GI Part 2, Walking-Working Surfaces. The first column contains the rescinded rule (struckthrough). The second column contains the corresponding, comparable new rule(s) that could be used to address the same hazard. In some cases there may be more than one applicable rule in the new regulations. Which new rule would be used, and whether it could be used, depends as always on the circumstances. Under the new regulations, broad performance-based standards replace old specification standards thus giving the employer more flexibility on how to meet a requirement but also expanding the situations under which the regulation would apply.	
R 408.10003 Definitions; A to M.	
Rule 3. (1) "Aisle" means a designated path of travel for mobile equipment and employees.	Note: this term is no longer used in the new federal standards in the context of access and egress.
R 408.10004 Definitions; P.	
Rule 4. (1) "Passageway" means a path of travel for an employee only.	Note: this term is no longer used in the new federal standards in the context of access and egress.
R 408.10015 Housekeeping.	
Rule 15. (1) Materials, including scrap and debris, shall be piled, stacked, or placed in a container in a manner that does not create a hazard to an employee. All places of employment, aisles, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (a) Surface conditions. The employer must ensure: (1) All places of employment, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly and in a sanitary condition.
(2) Garbage capable of rotting or becoming putrid shall be placed in a covered container. Container contents shall be disposed of at frequent and regular intervals.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (a) Surface conditions. The employer must ensure: (1) All places of employment, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly and in a sanitary condition.
(3) The floor of a work area, passageway, or aisle shall be maintained free of hazardous accumulations of scrap, debris, water, oil, grease, and other slip and trip hazards, except where an immediate emergency operation must be performed.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (a) Surface conditions. The employer must ensure: (2) The floor of every workroom shall be maintained in a clean and, so far as possible, a dry condition. Where wet processes are used, drainage shall be maintained, and false floors, platforms, mats, or other dry standing places should be provided where practicable. (3) Walking-working surfaces are maintained free of hazards such as sharp or protruding objects, loose boards, corrosion, leaks, spills, snow, and ice.
(4) Where a wet process, such as, but not limited to, plating operations, food processing, or car washing, is used, drainage shall be maintained or false floors, platforms, or mats used. Where an employee is required to work on a wet surface in a wet process, the surface shall be slip resistant.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (a) Surface conditions. The employer must ensure: (2) The floor of every workroom shall be maintained in a clean and, so far as possible, a dry condition. Where wet processes are used, drainage shall be maintained, and false floors, platforms, mats, or other dry standing places should be provided where practicable.
(2) (5) Where vegetation is a hazard, an employee shall be protected by vegetation control or other means of protection, such as, but not limited to, a barrier, personal protective equipment, or medication.	
(3) (6) A storage area shall be kept free from accumulations of materials that constitute a hazard from fire, explosion, or pest harborage.	

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R 408.10021 Aisles and floors.	
Rule 21. (1) When mobile equipment and an employee use the same aisle, dock or doorway, clearances shall be provided and maintained to assure safe passage for the equipment and employee.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (c) Access and egress. The employer must provide, and ensure each employee uses, a safe means of access and egress to and from walking-working surfaces.
(2) An aisle and passageway shall be marked or otherwise identified.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (c) Access and egress. The employer must provide, and ensure each employee uses, a safe means of access and egress to and from walking-working surfaces.
(3) A floor shall be maintained free of holes, loose boards, and protruding objects which would be a hazard to an employee.	Holes: 1910.28 DUTY TO HAVE FALL PROTECTION AND FALLING OBJECT PROTECTION (b) Protection from fall hazards. (3) Holes. The employer must ensure: (i) Each employee is protected from falling through any hole (including skylights) that is 4 feet (1.2 m) or more above a lower level by one or more of the following: (A) Covers; (B) Guardrail systems; (C) Travel restraint systems; or (D) Personal fall arrest systems. Loose boards and protruding objects: 1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (a) Surface conditions. The employer must ensure: (3) Walking-working surfaces are maintained free of hazards such as sharp or protruding objects, loose boards, corrosion, leaks, spills, snow, and ice.
(4) The maximum designed safe load limit of a floor or roof shall not be exceeded.	1910.22 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS (b) Loads. The employer must ensure that each walking-working surface can support the maximum intended load for that surface.
R 408.10022 Dockboards.	
Rule 22. (1) A dockboard shall be of an approved design and construction capable of supporting the imposed load.	1910.26 DOCKBOARDS The employer must ensure: (a) Dockboards are capable of supporting the maximum intended load in accordance with § 1910.22(b).
(2) A portable dockboard shall be:	
(a) Secured in position by anchoring or devices which will prevent its slipping.	1910.26 DOCKBOARDS The employer must ensure: (c) Portable dockboards are secured by anchoring them in place or using equipment or devices that prevent the dockboard from moving out of a safe position. When the employer demonstrates that securing the dockboard is not feasible, the employer must ensure there is sufficient contact between the dockboard and the surface to prevent the dockboard from moving out of a safe position.
(b) Provided with handholds or other means for placement which will protect the employee while handling the dockboard.	1910.26 DOCKBOARDS The employer must ensure: (e) Portable dockboards are equipped with handholds or other means to permit safe handling of dockboards.
(3) A positive means, such as, but not limited to, chocks, blocks, or brakes, shall be used to restrict a vehicle or rail car from moving while a dockboard is in position.	1910.26 DOCKBOARDS The employer must ensure: (d) Measures, such as wheel chocks or sand shoes, are used to prevent the transport vehicle (e.g. a truck, semitrailer, trailer, or rail car) on which a dockboard is placed, from moving while employees are on the dockboard.

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<p>(4) A dockboard used in connection with a powered industrial truck shall also comply with rule 2165 of the occupational safety standards commission standard, Part 21. Powered Industrial Trucks, being R 408.12165 of the Michigan Administrative Code.</p>	<p>1910.26 DOCKBOARDS The employer must ensure that each dockboard used meets the requirements of this section. The employer must ensure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Dockboards are capable of supporting the maximum intended load in accordance with § 1910.22(b); (b)(1) Dockboards put into initial service on or after January 17, 2017 are designed, constructed, and maintained to prevent transfer vehicles from running off the dockboard edge; (2) Exception to paragraph (b)(1) of this section. When the employer demonstrates there is no hazard of transfer vehicles running off the dockboard edge, the employer may use dockboards that do not have run-off protection. (c) Portable dockboards are secured by anchoring them in place or using equipment or devices that prevent the dockboard from moving out of a safe position. When the employer demonstrates that securing the dockboard is not feasible, the employer must ensure there is sufficient contact between the dockboard and the surface to prevent the dockboard from moving out of a safe position; (d) Measures, such as wheel chocks or sand shoes, are used to prevent the transport vehicle (e.g. a truck, semitrailer, trailer, or rail car) on which a dockboard is placed, from moving while employees are on the dockboard; and (e) Portable dockboards are equipped with handholds or other means to permit safe handling of dockboards.
<p>(5) A powered dockboard shall be designed and constructed as prescribed in United States department of commerce commercial standard CS202-56(1961), industrial lifts and hinged loading ramps, which is hereby incorporated by reference, and may be inspected at the Lansing office of the Michigan department of labor. This standard may be purchased at a cost of \$1.00 from the Michigan Department of Labor, State Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, Box 30015, Lansing, Michigan 48909.</p>	<p>Note: this requirement was eliminated from the federal rules with the 2017 revisions.</p>