



## Section 32: Work Area Conditions

### 1. General Information

- 1.1 Contractor employees must define and clearly identify work areas using tape, signs, or barricades to prevent unwarranted entry.
- 1.2 The contractor is to provide the equipment needed to mark work areas.

### 2. Drinking Water

- 2.1 Contractors must provide an adequate supply of drinking water where employees are working.
- 2.2 Clearly mark containers used for drinking water and do not use them for any other purposes.

### 3. Toilets and Washing Facilities

- 3.1 Contractors must provide toilets for employees according to applicable sanitary work standards and where required by State law, or make arrangements with the EQ representative for using the EQ facilities.
- 3.2 Contractors must provide adequate washing facilities for employees where required by State law, or make arrangements with the EQ representative for using the EQ facilities.

### 4. Lighting

Light work areas, ramps, runways, corridors, offices, shops, and storage areas to at least the minimum illumination intensities listed below while work is in progress.

<b>Foot-Candles</b>	<b>Area of Operation</b>
5	General areas, ramps, warehouse
10	Operations involving machinery

### 5. Material Use and Waste Management

- 5.1 Place receptacles and dumpsters around the work area for collection of waste materials.
- 5.2 Hazardous waste or potentially hazardous waste, as determined by the methods and definitions from environmental regulations, must be stored and collected in approved containers in special areas. (See Section 12 – Environmental Issues)
- 5.3 Do not abandon material in the work area. If material in the work area is traced to a contractor, that contractor is responsible for expenses involved in collecting, moving, disposal of the material, and general clean up.

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- 5.4 Waste haulers, disposers, recyclers, and scavengers are not allowed in the work area without EQ permission. It is the responsibility of the contractor to provide copies of licenses, permits, and authorization.
- 5.5 Do not remove hazardous waste from the work area without EQ authorization. Do not bring waste into the work area and dispose of it using EQ's systems or facilities. Contractors must inspect dumpsters frequently and remove potentially hazardous material or waste and place it in the appropriate storage area.
- 5.6 Do not allow used oils, paint waste, or similar products to accumulate or be dumped in the work area. Spills must be immediately cleaned up by the generator of the spill to the satisfaction of EQ and disposed of in accordance with instructions from EQ, provided it can be safely done. (See Section 12 – Environmental Issues)

## **6. Dust and Erosion Control**

- 6.1 Creating uncontrolled dust by any means is not acceptable. It is the responsibility of the contractor to:
  - A. Explore methods of dust control for work that is expected to produce dust prior to starting work.
  - B. Take immediate action to control or eliminate dust that may be inadvertently created.
- 6.2 Tree protection, erosion, and sediment control must be provided and maintained where applicable.
  - A. Contractors that create or could create tree loss or erosion must take the steps necessary to control and guard against these situations.
  - B. Settling basins and/or straw barricading around existing storm sewers is required for work (excavation or disturbance of soil) that could cause silt to enter a storm sewer.