



Accident Investigation and Reporting

An accident is any unplanned event that results in personal injury or in property damage.

Thousands of accidents occur throughout the United States every day. The failure of people, equipment, supplies, or surroundings to behave or react as expected causes most of the accidents. Accident investigations determine how and why these failures occur.

REGULATORY STANDARD: **OSHA - 29 CFR 1904**

OSHA requires all employer's to maintain a written program. Accident investigation is primarily a fact-finding procedure; the facts revealed are used to prevent recurrences of similar accidents in the future. Conduct accident investigations with accident prevention in mind. Investigations are NOT to place blame.

This instruction establishes uniform requirements to ensure that accidents are evaluated, controls and procedures are implemented to reduce or prevent future occurrences, and that the proper hazard information is transmitted to all affected workers.

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