



GRAIN BIN SAFETY - CONFINED SPACE ENTRY

The grain handling industry is a high hazard industry where workers can be exposed to numerous serious and life threatening hazards. The OSHA Grain Handling Facilities standard/rule (29 CFR 1910.272) requires that prior to entering a grain bin, the employer either (1) issue an entry permit or (2) be present during the entire entry. To educate employers, employees and the public about safety in the grain handling industry, Grain Bin Safety Week is held February 17-23, 2019.

The OSHA Grain Handling Facilities standard does apply to the following industry types:

- Grain elevators
- Feed and Flour Mills
- Pelletizing Plants
- Rice and Corn Mills
- Soybean Flaking
- Soy Cake Grinding

The OSHA Grain Handling Facilities standard does apply to the following types of grain storage structures:

- Bins
- Silos
- Grain Tanks
- Other Grain Storage Structures

Confined Space Entry Procedures also apply to:

- Pits
- Tanks
- Vessels
- Hoppers
- Vaults



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