

WEEKLY SAFETY TIP – 1/16/12 – SAFETY QUIZ: INSPECTIONS

Inspections are part of a comprehensive safety program. What do you know about inspections common to most work sites? Take the below quiz, and see how you do. Answers will be posted on our website in the Safety Tip Of The Week (linked here: http://www.scm-safety.com/weekly_tips.html) and on our Safety Compliance Management facebook page. All answers are regulatory driven and we will include the regulation citation for each answer.

1. All respirators are to be inspected before each use. How often are respirators that are set aside for emergency use only to be inspected?
 - A. Daily
 - B. Weekly
 - C. Monthly
 - D. Annually

2. Emergency lighting is required to be inspected. To do so properly, it is recommended that power should be disconnected to ensure the lights turn on and function as intended for at least 30 seconds. How often is the 30 second test to be conducted?
 - A. Daily
 - B. Weekly
 - C. Monthly
 - D. Annually

3. Your facility has a fire pump. How often is it to be churn tested?
 - A. Daily
 - B. Weekly
 - C. Monthly
 - D. Annually

4. You work on a construction site. You are required to have a first aid kit. How often are you to inspect it to ensure items are sealed, sanitary and any used items are replaced?
 - A. Daily
 - B. Weekly
 - C. Monthly
 - D. Annually

5. If your work site has an emergency alarm system that is not supervised or monitored, it must be tested. How often must it be tested?
 - A. Weekly
 - B. Monthly
 - C. Annually
 - D. Bi-annually

BONUS QUESTION: Do you need to retain the inspection records? If so, for how long?

- A. One week
- B. One month
- C. One Year
- D. Three Years

Answers: 1. Monthly – 29 CFR 1910.134 (h)(3)(i)(B); 2. Monthly – NFPA Life Safety Code, 101, Sec 7.9.3; 3. Weekly – NFPA 25, Sec 8.3; 4. Weekly – 29 CFR 1926.50(d)(2); 5. TRICK QUESTION! Every 2 months – 29 CFR 1910.165 (d)(2). Bonus Question: It may vary with the inspection requirement, but most inspection records should be kept for at least one year.