



USAF OSHA Process Management FAQs

Question: What is a Notice of Unsafe or Unhealthful Working Conditions (NUUWC)?

Answer: A Notice of Unsafe or Unhealthful Working Conditions is issued to federal agencies and is the equivalent of a 'citation' issued to civilian companies. Citations and penalties are not issued to federal agencies.

Question: Notice of Unsafe or Unhealthful Working Conditions is a really long name, and so is the acronym NUUWC... will AFSEC modify it?

Answer: Yes, it is referred to as a 'Notice'.

Question: What is an OSHA event for the purposes of uploading into AFSAS OSHA Event Module?

Answer: Any contact initiated from OSHA whether it is via fax, telephonic, in person asking to personally or 'in lieu of' look at processes, facilities or projects (military, civilian or contractor) on the installation, is considered an OSHA event and must be entered into AFSAS OSHA Event Module. Exceptions do exist and if there are questions, enter it into AFSAS and check with your MAJCOM.

Question: If there is more than one location/occurrence listed in a violation within a Notice, does that mean there are that many violations?

Answer: No, see example below:

"Notice 1 Item 1 Type of Violation: Serious

29 CFR 1910.215(a)(4): Work rest(s) on grinding machinery were not adjusted closely to the wheel with a maximum opening of one eighth inch:

The 8 inch bench grinder work rest was not adjusted to one eighth inch in the following locations:

Bldg 123

Bldg 456

Bldg 789

This is one violation of standards even though there are three separate locations listed and should be entered into AFSAS as such, even though it was found in multiple locations.

Question: How many documents can I add to the AFSAS OSHA Module?

Answer: There is no limit on documents uploaded

Question: OSHA has requested our injury investigation on an injury, what do we give them?

Answer: If OSHA requests injury investigation information, have the Supervisor or USR fill out the AF version of their request form (located on our Share Point or provide them with the AF FORM 978 which should only contain factual information. Safety Personnel shall not fill out the AF 978 or the requested Rapid Response Report (RRR) from OSHA.

Question: What is being done to prevent repeat notices enterprise wide?

Answer: Once a notice is received we develop a Cross Tell specific to the notice and send this out to all MAJCOMS, and SAF/IEE who shares across DoD.