

## New OSHA Confined Space Rules, effective August 3, 2015

March 2016

### Background:

OSHA has new rules effective August 3, 2015 concerning Confined Space for Construction and since these rule directly affect who need to wear a gas detector, for confined space entry. We thought it would be helpful for our customers and distributors to have some links that reference the rules directly from OSHA.

“Prohibited condition means any condition in a permit space that is not allowed by the permit during the period when entry is authorized. A hazardous atmosphere is a prohibited condition unless the employer can demonstrate that personal protective equipment (PPE) will provide effective protection for each employee in the permit space and **provides the appropriate PPE to each employee”**

Reference: [https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/1926\\_subpart\\_aa.pdf](https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/1926_subpart_aa.pdf) page 7.

### What is Confined Space:

OSHA Documents its definition and some examples of what constitutes a confined space and some interesting area that are included are: Attics, Crawl Spaces, Boilers and Basements before steps are installed, these are listed on page 10 of the following OSHA Publication:

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3825.pdf>



### **What does this mean for Gas Detection:**

OSHA list several incidences directly related to lack of proper entry and continuous monitoring. Including an incident in New Sewer Construction, Pits and Vaults. Below are the links to the OSHA case publications:

[https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/manhole\\_cs.html](https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/manhole_cs.html)

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3789.pdf>

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3788.pdf>

<https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3819.pdf>

### **Homebuilders had a Temporary Enforcement Policy until March 8, 2016.**

[https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/tempenforcementpolicy\\_0116.html](https://www.osha.gov/confinedspaces/tempenforcementpolicy_0116.html)

### **What can we offer?**

We at Crowcon offer a wide selection of PPE for Confined Space Entry, including:

**Pumped Systems: Gas-Pro, Gas-Pro PID, Gas-Pro IR, Tetra**

**Non Pumped (diffusion): All the above and T4 and T3, Gasman**

The **personal protection units will** calculate the workers **TWA, PEL for OSHA records** keeping requirements. Our newest Unit the **T4**, also has the unique TWA resume feature.

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