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OSHA Issues Proposed Rule to Extend Compliance Deadline for Crane Operator Certification Requirements

WASHINGTON, DC – The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) today issued a [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) to extend the employer's responsibility to ensure crane operator competency and enforcement for crane operator certification to November 10, 2018.

OSHA issued a final rule in September 2014, extending the deadline by three years for crane operator certification requirements in the Cranes and Derricks in Construction standard. The final rule also extended by three years the employer's responsibility to ensure that crane operators are competent to operate a crane safely.

The agency is now proposing an extension of the enforcement date to address stakeholder concerns over the operator certification requirements in the Cranes and Derricks in Construction standard.

Comments may be submitted electronically at <http://www.regulations.gov>, the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal or by facsimile or mail. See the [Federal Register notice](#) for submission details and additional information about this proposed rule. Comments must be submitted by Sept. 29, 2017.

Under the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970, employers are responsible for providing safe and healthful workplaces for their employees. OSHA's role is to ensure these conditions for America's working men and women by setting and enforcing standards, and providing training, education and assistance. For more information, visit www.osha.gov.

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