SELF-INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Stairs and stairways

☐ Are handrails, stair rail systems, or guardrail systems present on all stairways having four or more risers?

☐ Are all stairways at least 22 inches wide?

☐ Do stairs have at least 6 feet, 8 inches of overhead clearance?

☐ Do stairs angle no more than 50 degrees and no less than 30 degrees?

☐ Are risers on stair steps uniform, with no riser more than 9.5 inches?

☐ Do stair treads have a uniform size, with a depth of no less than 9.5 inches?

☐ Can each stair can support at least five times the normal anticipated live load, but never less than a concentrated load of 1,000 pounds applied at any point?

☐ Are stairway handrails 30-38 inches above the leading edge of stair treads?

☐ Are stair rail systems 30 or 42 inches* inches above the leading edge of stair treads?

* Stair rail systems minimum height: installed before Jan. 1, 2018 is 30 inches, installed after Dec. 31, 2017 is 42 inches.

☐ Do stairway handrails have at least 2.25 inches clearance between the handrail and any other object?

☐ Are stairway handrails capable of withstanding a load of 200 pounds applied in any direction?

☐ Where stairs or stairways exit directly into an area where vehicles may be operated, have you provided adequate barriers and warnings to prevent employees from stepping into traffic?