What is OSHA looking for?

If OSHA shows up to inspect your workplace, there are several key things they will check for to ensure employee safety:

**SAFETY PROGRAMS**
- You must have annually updated safety programs, customized to your workplace
- These programs cover specific workplace hazards, and how to protect yourself from them

**CHEMICAL LABELS & SDS**
- You must have proper chemical labels and a comprehensive safety data sheet (SDS) list
- These both need to be legible, accessible to all employees and in the case of SDSs, updated annually

**PROPER RECORDKEEPING**
- Make sure to record all employee trainings, incident reports, hazard assessments, vaccination declination forms, chemical monitoring test results, and other pertinent paperwork for your industry

**PPE STANDARDS**
- You must have the proper personal protective equipment (PPE) for the hazards at your workplace
- PPE must be accessible to all employees and must be offered to them at no cost

**PROPER SIGNAGE**
- Make sure to have clear and accurate signage for workplace hazards, as well as obvious EXIT signs

**FIRE SAFETY PROTOCOLS**
- You must ensure there are clear walkways, especially near emergency exits, and that fire extinguishers are up to code in case of an emergency

This is not a comprehensive list for all industries; there may be additional requirements for your industry.

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