

General Workplace Shower Requirements



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FED	<i>OHS Regulations:</i> For employees who regularly perform strenuous physical work in a high temperature or high humidity or whose bodies may be contaminated by a hazardous substance [Sec. 9.23(1)].
AB	<i>OHS Code 2009:</i> 1. If a worker may be contaminated by a harmful substance at a work site [Sec. 23]. 2. If a worker is present at a work site where chemicals harmful to the eyes or skin are used [Sec. 24].
BC	<i>OHS Regulation:</i> 1. If work processes involving substances such as lead, mercury, asbestos, silica or pesticides are high hazard [Sec. 5.82(2)(b)]. 2. For high risk work activity that requires provision of a decontamination facility, which must include a shower facility [Sec. 6.16]. 3. If there's the risk of body contamination to all workers when: a. mixing, loading or applying pesticides, or handling concentrates or wet-treated lumber; b. cleaning, maintaining or handling equipment, materials or surfaces contaminated with pesticide residues; or c. entering fields where pesticides have been applied and where contact with pesticide residues may contaminate protective clothing and body areas [Sec. 6.95(1)].
MB	<i>Workplace Safety and Health Regulation:</i> If, due to a hazardous substance coming in contact with the worker's skin, a work process may create a risk to a worker's safety or health [Sec. 4.11].

NB	<i>OHS Regulation:</i> Where an employee may be exposed to a toxic, noxious, infectious or irritating substance or may be exposed to high levels of heat or humidity so that the employee's health may be adversely affected [Sec. 10(1)].
NL	<i>OHS Regulations, 2012:</i> Where there's a high risk of contamination of workers by hazardous substances, infectious or offensive materials as a part of the regular work processes at a place of employment [Sec. 62(2)].
NT/NU	OHS regulations don't include general shower requirements.
NS	<i>Occupational Safety General Regulations:</i> Where an employee's skin may be contaminated by a hazardous substance [Sec. 22(3)].
ON	<i>Industrial Establishments Regulation:</i> Where workers are exposed to a substance that: a. is poisonous by ingestion; and b. can contaminate the skin [Sec. 134]. <i>Construction Projects Regulation:</i> If workers are employed underground [Sec. 260(5)].
PE	<i>OHS Regulations:</i> 1. Where the health or safety of the employees may be endangered by the presence of poisonous, irritating or infectious material [Sec. 2.6(3)] 2. In the decontamination section of a work enclosure as outlined in Sec. 49.21, which relates to the release of asbestos fibres [Sec. 49.16(1)].
QC	<i>Regulation respecting occupational health and safety:</i> 1. Depending on the nature of the dangers to which workers are exposed [Sec. 75]. 2. In any establishment where workers are exposed to heat stress conditions such that the heat stress index exceeds the continuous work curve in the graph in Schedule V [Sec. 123].
SK	<i>OHS Regulations:</i> Where a worker's skin is likely to be contaminated by harmful or offensive substances as part of the regular work processes at a place of employment [Sec. 74]
YT	<i>OHS Regulations:</i> Where the nature of the work requires workers to work in hot, humid, dirty, dusty or wet conditions [Sec. 1.71(4)(c)]. <i>Occupational Health Regulations:</i> To remove all asbestos fibres from the body [Sec. 38(d)].