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Overview of the Town Hall Website

The Virginia Regulatory Town Hall is the first comprehensive rulemaking website in the nation and has received numerous national and state awards. The website is managed by the Virginia Department of Planning and Budget (DPB).

The Town Hall allows state agencies to

- manage their regulatory information and associated meetings online from any location,
- track a regulatory action throughout the review process,
- easily communicate with the public and other interested parties.
- communicate and electronically submit regulatory packages to the Registrar's Office for publication in *The Virginia Register*

The Town Hall provides the public with

- convenient access to detailed information regarding regulatory processes
- automated notifications for specific events and meetings
- the ability to participate in the process via public comment forums

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Register as a Town Hall public user

Town Hall services are free to all users. Registration allows you to sign up for email notification of regulatory actions and meetings. For details about the confidentiality of your information, see our [privacy policy](#).

Note: You must be at least 13 years old to register to use the Town Hall website.

You can unregister and remove your account from the Town Hall website at any time.

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The following fields are optional.

If you express concern about a regulation in the Town Hall public comment forums, this information may be used to respond to your concern.

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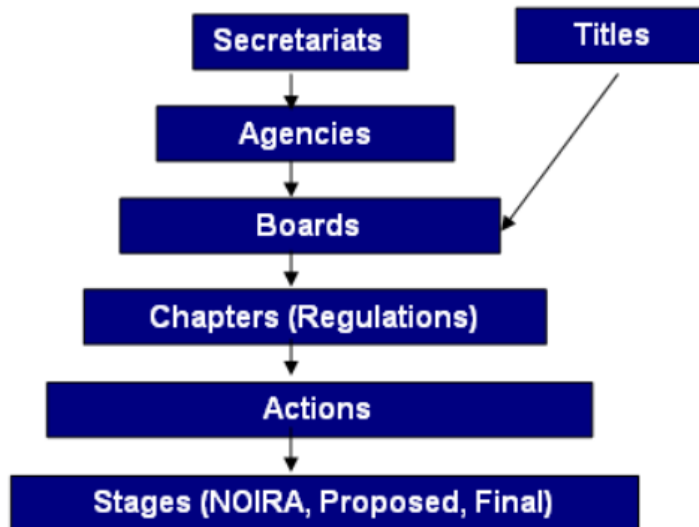
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How is the Town Hall organized?

Information on the Town Hall is designed around the organization of stage government and the structure of the Virginia Administrative Code. The following chart illustrates the basic organizational structure of the website. Place your cursor over any item on this chart to learn more.



What information is available on the Town Hall?

All types of information surrounding the regulatory development process including:

- Past and current regulatory actions
- Agency guidance documents
- Past and future meetings and associated agendas and minutes
- Contact information for agencies, boards, actions, meetings, etc.
- Public petitions for rulemaking
- Agency mandates
- Periodic reviews of regulations
- Agency guidance documents

Documents pertaining to a particular regulatory action/stage

- Proposed text changes to the Administrative Code
- Agency background documents
- DPB's economic impact analysis (EIA) of proposed regulations
- The Attorney General's certification memo
- Secretary's approval memo
- Governor's approval memo

What is the regulatory docket?

The regulatory docket is a listing of all regulations currently in development. Just click on the [Changes Underway](#) on the left menu bar to see this list.

Do I need any special software to use the Town Hall?

The Town Hall website is compatible with all popular web browsers. Documents on the Town Hall are available for viewing, saving on your own computer, or printing.

Adobe PDF Format

Downloadable documents are provided in Adobe PDF format. To view documents in the Adobe Acrobat format, you need to have the Adobe reader software installed on your computer. You can download the Adobe reader software free from [Adobe's web site](#).

How to Navigate to Safety and Health Codes Board: Start with "Find a Regulation"



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Apps Case Status and Inf... Grant County Press... CDC Cases in the U.S. | C... Coronavirus diseas... Occupational Expos... \$ 40.1-4

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Click on the Board to view the regulations and other activity of this board. Click on the info graphic to get more information about the board. [See inactive/retired boards](#)

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- Human Resource Management, Department of [1 VAC 55]
- Identity Management Standards Advisory Council

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- Professional and Occupational Regulation, Department of [18 VAC 120]
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- Real Estate Appraiser Board [18 VAC 130]
- Real Estate Board [18 VAC 135]
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- Waterworks and Wastewater Works Operators and Onsite Sewage System Professionals, Board for [18 VAC 160]


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16 VAC 25-55	Financial Responsibility of Boiler and Pressure Vessel Contract Fee Inspectors	Periodic Review Completed	10/29/2019
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16 VAC 25-73	Regulation Applicable to Tree Trimming Operations	Periodic Review Completed	10/29/2019
16 VAC 25-75	Telecommunications, General, Approach Distances	Periodic Review Completed	10/29/2019
16 VAC 25-85	Federal Identical Recording and Reporting Occupational Injuries and Illnesses 	Final Stage Published	10/14/2019
16 VAC 25-90	Federal Identical General Industry Standards 	Final Stage to be Published	8/2/2021
16 VAC 25-95	Medical Services and First Aid Standards for General Industry	Proposed Stage Withdrawn	10/15/2012
16 VAC 25-97	Reverse Signal Procedures - General Industry - Vehicles/Equipment Not Covered by Existing Standards	Periodic Review Completed	7/28/2017
16 VAC 25-100	Federal Identical Shipyard Employment Standards 	Final Stage Published	12/7/2020
16 VAC 25-110	[Reserved]		
16 VAC 25-120	Federal Identical Marine Terminals Standards 	Final Stage Published	10/17/2016
16 VAC 25-130	Federal Identical Longshoring Standards 	Final Stage Published	10/17/2016
16 VAC 25-137	Federal Identical Gear Certification		
16 VAC 25-145	Safety Standards for Fall Protection in Steel Erection, Construction Industry	Periodic Review Completed	12/4/2018
16 VAC 25-160	Construction Industry Standard for Sanitation	Periodic Review Completed	7/20/2016
16 VAC 25-175	Federal Identical Construction Industry Standards 	Final Stage Published	12/7/2020
16 VAC 25-177	Medical Services and First Aid Standards for the Construction Industry		
16 VAC 25-180	Virginia Field Sanitation Standard, Agriculture	Periodic Review Completed	11/16/2020
16 VAC 25-190	Federal Identical Agriculture Industry Standards 		
16 VAC 25-200	Virginia Voluntary Protection Program (VPP)	Final Stage Published	12/25/2017
16 VAC 25-210	Heat Illness Prevention Standard 	NOIRA Stage Published	5/10/2021
16 VAC 25-220	Final Permanent Standard for Infectious Disease Prevention SARS-CoV-2 Virus That Causes COVID-19 		



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Chapter Information	
Description	The intent of this chapter is to reduce/eliminate employee injuries, illnesses, and fatalities due to exposure to excessive heat at places of work. The regulation addresses employee exposure to heat illness hazards during indoor and outdoor work activities in all industries under the jurisdiction of the Virginia State Plan for occupational safety and health.
State Authority	40.1-22 (5)
Federal Authority	The Federal OSH Act of 1970 (P.L.91-596)
Exempt from APA	No, changes to this chapter are subject to the <i>Administrative Process Act</i> .
Text of Regulation	Link to Virginia Administrative Code
Goals of Regulation	Goals for the regulation would include identifying methods to reduce or eliminate heat illness hazards; and educating employees and employers about heat-related illness external risk factors, heat-related illness internal risk factors, medical conditions that can contribute to heat illness, symptoms of heat-related illness, and precautions to take to reduce or eliminate heat illness hazards.
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Current Actions		
Action Title	Latest Stage	Status
NOIRA on Heat Illness Prevention	NOIRA	Stage complete. Comment period ended 06/09/2021.

Past Actions		
Action Title	Latest Stage	Status
None		



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Action: NOIRA on Heat Illness Prevention

General Information	
Action Summary	The purpose of the proposed regulatory action is to reduce/eliminate employee injuries, illnesses, and fatalities by considering for adoption a comprehensive regulation to address employee exposure to heat illness hazards during indoor and outdoor work activities in all industries under the jurisdiction of the Virginia State Plan for occupational safety and health.
Chapters Affected	Only affects this chapter.
Exempt from APA	No, this action is subject to Article 2 of the Administrative Process Act.
RIS Project	Yes [6753]
New Periodic Review	This action will not be used to conduct a new periodic review.

Stages		
Stages associated with this regulatory action.		
Stage ID	Stage Type	Status
8926	NOIRA	Stage complete. Comment period ended 06/09/2021.



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Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) Action 5501 / Stage 8926

Documents		
Preliminary Draft Text	None submitted	
Agency Background Document	4/2/2020	
Governor's Review Memo	4/12/2021	

Status	
Exempt from APA	No, this stage/action is subject to Article 2 of the <i>Administrative Process Act</i>
DPB Review	Submitted on 4/2/2020 Review Completed: 4/16/2020
Secretary Review	Secretary of Labor Review Completed: 3/25/2021
Governor's Review	Review Completed: 4/12/2021 Result: Approved
Virginia Registrar	Submitted on 4/12/2021 The Virginia Register of Regulations Publication Date: 5/10/2021 Volume: 37 Issue: 19
Comment Period	Ended 6/9/2021 145 comments

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Comment Title	Commenter	Date
Heat Stress Standard	Hillary Horn, Temple Rodef Shalom Social Action Committee	6/9/21 11:50 pm
Please Protect Workers	Hannah	6/9/21 11:45 pm
Worker Protections against HEAT risks	Patty McGrath, Montgomery County Faith Alliance for Climate Solutions	6/9/21 11:43 pm
Heat Stress	Shelia Porter	6/9/21 11:42 pm
Heat illness prevention	Lee Anne Williams Green New Deal Virginia	6/9/21 11:41 pm
State needs occupational health heat protections for workers in absence of federal rules	Robert V Poignant, Jr.	6/9/21 11:26 pm
Heat Stress Standard /Vice President VICPP	Anonymous (99075)	6/9/21 11:13 pm
Heat Illness Prevention Standard [under development] [16 VAC 25 ? 210]	Carolyn Caywood	6/9/21 11:13 pm

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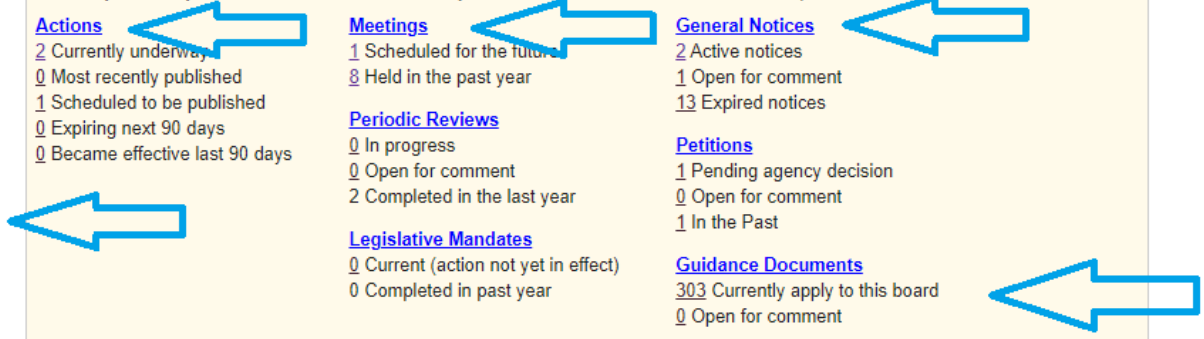
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Federal Identical General Industry Standards [16 VAC 25 - 90]	Action : Occupational Exposure to COVID-19; Emergency Temporary Standard, Interim Final Rule Stage : Final - Register Date: 8/2/21
Heat Illness Prevention Standard [under development] [16 VAC 25 - 210]	Action : NOIRA on Heat Illness Prevention Stage : NOIRA - Register Date: 5/10/21

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Aug-05 2021 (Thu)	9:30 am	Public Hearing on Proposed Amendments to Permanent Standard: Infectious Disease Prevention, SARS-CoV-2 Virus That Causes COVID as adopted by the Board [Agenda] Electronic Access	Safety and Health Codes Board

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Inspection Procedures for the COVID-19 Emergency Temporary Standard	7/29/2021	8/16/2021
Department of Labor and Industry Announces 30 Day Comment Period on Proposed Amendments to the Final Permanent Standard for Infectious Disease Prevention	7/1/2021	9/30/2021

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01-001C	Program Directive Development, Classification and Numbering System for VOSH	5/1/2015
01-004SR	Responsibilities of the Central and Regional Office Directors and Managers	5/1/2000
01-008	Statewide Settlement Agreements	3/1/1996
01-009A	Citation Policy for Paperwork and Written Program Requirement Violations	10/15/2007
01-010	Local Emphasis Programs: Development and Approval of Special Targeting Activities	2/15/2014
01-015A	State Plan Policies and Procedures Manual (Through CH-5)	3/1/1996
01-017	Expedited Informal Settlement Agreement (EISA) Program	3/1/2005
01-019	State Emphasis Programs: Development, Approval, Adoption, and Evaluation	6/15/2018
01-020	OSHA Support of NIOSH "FACE" Program	3/1/2005
02-003V	VOSH Procedures to comply with OSHA Enforcement Exemptions and Limitations under the Federal Appropriations Act, OSHA Instruction CPL 02-00-051 (formerly CPL 2-0.51J); Appendix	4/1/2021
02-004A	Collection of OSHA-300 Log Data	2/15/2004
02-006B	Abatement Verification Regulation, § 307 of the VOSH Administrative Regulations Manual (ARM) - Enforcement Policies and Procedures	1/1/2010

VOSH Guidance Documents Include the Field Operations Manual (FOM); VOSH Directives for State Unique Standards and Regulations; VOSH Directives for Federal Identical Directives/Instructions; Interpretations, Manuals, etc.

