



Not all space labeled confined spaces are classified as "Permit Required". Hazards must be present for the classification to be deemed necessary. ALL spaces must be evaluated and documented using WCI confined space checklist. For questions on confined space evaluation consult with your site safety representative.



**PERMIT-REQUIRED CONFINED SPACES MUST BE LABELED WITH A POSTING.** YOU MUST SHARE THIS INFORMATION WITH THE PERSONNEL ON-SITE AND TRAIN ANYONE WHO WILL ENTER THE SPACE OR IS A PART OF THE RESCUE TEAM

### EXCAVATIONS:

Trenches and other excavations are not regulated by OSHA as permit-required confined spaces. However, employers are still required to follow certain precautions spelled out in the OSHA excavation standard (Subpart P) that are similar to those required when we conduct work inside a permit-required confined space; we just don't have to utilize a permit.

### BEFORE ENTRY:

- Confined space work should be avoided where possible, for example, using remote controlled equipment to carry out inspection work
- A risk assessment must be carried out by a competent person using the Weigand Construction confined space entry checklist
- **If classified as a "permit required confined space", The Project Manager must schedule a safety meeting that includes a rescue plan with the Weigand Safety Rep and all parties involved.**
- Checks should be carried out for flammable or toxic gases and oxygen content. The risk assessment should identify all potential hazards such as the different types of gas which may be present
- If breathing apparatus is required, do not enter unless you have been trained to use it
- Obey permits to work, follow procedures and check communications and monitoring equipment

### EMERGENCY PROCEDURES:

- **You must not attempt a confined space rescue unless you are part of a trained rescue team**
- As a rescuer, your first duty is to ensure your own safety
- Make sure the recovery winch and other rescue equipment is working, BEFORE you attempt rescue
- You must leave the confined space immediately if told to do so
- **REMEMBER:** Always follow the rescue plan and understand the emergency procedure

### FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE OSHA REGULATIONS: *(Standards - 29 CFR)*



[1926 Subpart AA - Confined Spaces in Construction](#)

[1926 Subpart P - Excavations](#)

