

Hot work permit

Permit no. _____
Location _____
Time permit ends _____
Person doing the work _____
Authorized by _____

Date _____
Time permit starts _____
Hot work to be done _____
Fire watch _____

Before the work starts

OSHA 1910.252 asks the person who authorizes cutting and welding to inspect the area and set the precautions, preferably in a written permit. Construction work has its own rules in 29 CFR 1926 Subpart J. Check the current text and your own program.

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| ☐ Area inspected by the person who authorizes the work | ☐ No explosive atmosphere, and no work in an area where one could form |
| ☐ Combustibles moved at least 35 feet (10.7 m) from the work, or shielded with flameproof covers or guards | ☐ Used containers cleaned and vented before any heat is applied |
| ☐ Floor swept clean for 35 feet, and wet or covered if it is combustible | ☐ Sprinklers in service, if the building has them |
| ☐ Floor and wall openings, cracks and open doorways covered so sparks cannot drop or travel | ☐ Fire extinguisher or hose ready for instant use |
| ☐ Ducts and conveyors that could carry sparks protected or shut down | ☐ Fire watch assigned, trained and holding a fire extinguisher |
| ☐ Combustible walls and partitions near the work shielded | ☐ Fire alarm location known to the welder and the fire watch |

Special conditions

Anything specific to this job.

After the work

The fire watch stays for at least a half hour after welding or cutting stops, to catch smoldering fires.

Work finished (time)	Fire watch until (time)	Area checked by	Permit closed (initials)