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## Labour & Employment

### New Occupational Health & Safety Regulations Regarding Working Alone in Alberta

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On July 1, 2009, new amendments to the Alberta Occupational Health and Safety Code came into force. There was a change made in regards to the 'working alone' provisions that is worth noting to ensure that employers remain in compliance with the Code.

Previously, the legislation required that employers either:

- 1) provide an effective means of communication such as radio or telephone contact between the employee and someone capable of assisting the employee; or
- 2) visit the worker or have the worker contact the employer at routine intervals.

Under the new provisions, employers are required to do both of the above.

To view the relevant portion of the legislation, click [here](#). To view the excerpt from the Occupational Health and Safety Code 2009 Explanation Guide regarding the Working Alone provisions, click [here](#).

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