

SAMPLE SHARPS INJURY LOG

Year 2_____

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29 CFR 1910.1030, OSHA's Bloodborne Pathogens Standard, in paragraph (h)(5) requires an employer to establish and maintain a Sharps Injury Log for recording all percutaneous injuries in a facility occurring from contaminated sharps. The purpose of the Log is to aid in the evaluation of devices being used in health care and other facilities and to identify problem devices or procedures requiring additional attention or review. This log must be kept in addition to the injury and illness log required by 29 CFR 1904. The Sharps Injury Log should include all sharps injuries occurring in a calendar year. The list must be retained for five years following the end of the year to which it relates. The log must be kept in a manner that preserves the confidentiality of the affected employee. [In addition to the above information, Minn. Stat. § 182.6555 recommends that the employee's training be noted and the employee's opinion about whether any other engineering, administrative, or work practice control could have prevented the injury and the basis for that opinion be noted as well.] This sample details the information that must be gathered for contaminated sharps injuries. The employer may use any format, layout, and means of maintaining the data (i.e., computer, paper, etc.) they deem appropriate for their facility.