

WALKING AND WORKING SURFACES 1 2 3 NIST S 7101.63 4 Approval Date: 02/05/2024 5 Effective Date: 04/01/2024¹ 6 7 8 1. PURPOSE 9 The purpose of this suborder is to establish requirements and associated roles and 10 responsibilities to eliminate or reduce to the greatest extent possible hazards associated with 11 surfaces that employees walk on or do work from on NIST sites. 12 13 2. BACKGROUND 14 15 a. The content of this suborder was derived primarily from OSHA 29 CFR Subpart D 1910.21-16 30, Walking-Working Surfaces, along with relevant portions of ANSI, ASTM and ABA-17 UFAS standards. 18 19 b. Exposure to falls between different walking or working elevations which requires the use of 20 passive and/or active fall protection methods (e.g., guardrails, fall restraint systems, fall 21 arresting systems, etc.) is addressed in NIST S 7101.67: Fall Protection. 22 23 24 3. APPLICABILITY 25 a. The provisions of this suborder apply to all sites for which NIST has jurisdiction, custody, 26 and control. 27 28 b. The provisions of this suborder apply to surfaces constructed as walkways for pedestrian use 29 and areas where personnel must stand to perform work including, but not limited to: 30 31 (1) Floors (including platforms, mezzanines, catwalks); 32 33 (2) Ramps 34 35 (3) Dockboards;

(4) Stairs;

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¹ For revision history, see Appendix A.



(5) Sidewalks, crosswalks, or other finished walks (e.g., concrete, tile, stone, or brick); (6) Parking lots; and (7) Other paved areas which are designed for or may be reasonably foreseeable as pedestrian paths. c. The provisions of this suborder do not apply to: (1) Natural surfaces, including but not limited to: (a) Grassy fields; (b) Playing fields; and (c) Footpaths; (2) Portable, mobile, or extension ladders (addressed in NIST S 7101.66: *Ladder Safety*); (3) Powered platforms (covered by 29 CFR 1910.66(j)); (4) Aerial lifts (covered by 29 CFR 1910.67(c)(2)(v)); (5) Scaffolding (covered by 29 CFR 1910.27(a)); (6) Construction and maintenance activities when employees are inspecting, investigating, assessing, or performing work in areas that are normally not accessible/used by personnel or accessible to foot traffic; and (7) Entertainment stage and loading dock edges (addressed in NIST S 7101.67). 4. REFERENCES a. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.21 to 1910.30 Subpart D, Walking and Working Surfaces b. OSHA 29 CFR 1960, Basic Program Elements for Federal Employees c. ANSI/ASSE A10.18-2007, American National Standard for Safety Requirements for Temporary Roof and Floor Holes, Wall Openings, Stairways and Other Unprotected Edges in Construction and Demolition Operations



78 79	d.	ANSI/ASSE A1264.1-2007, American National Standard for Safety Requirements for Workplace Walking/Working Surfaces and Their Access; Workplace, Floor, Wall and Roof Openings, Stairs, and Cuandwails Systems			
80 81		Openings, Stairs, and Guardrails Systems			
81 82 83	e.	ASTM F1637-10, American National Standard, <u>Standard Practice for Safe Walking Surfaces</u>			
84 85	f.	International Building Code (IBC), current edition (per NIST O 7401.00).			
86	g.	Architectural Barriers Act (ABA) and Uniform Accessibility Standards Facility Access			
87	8	Standards (UFAS)			
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90	5.	APPLICABLE NIST DIRECTIVES			
91	a.	NIST O 7101.00: Occupational Safety and Health Management System (INET)			
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93	b.	NIST S 7101.20: Work and Worker Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews			
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95	c.	NIST S 7101.22: <u>Hazard Signage</u>			
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97	d.	NIST S 7101.23: Safety Education and Training			
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99 100	e.	NIST S 7101.24: <i>Incident Reporting and Investigation</i>			
101	f.	NIST S 7101.26: Workplace Inspection Program			
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103	σ.	NIST S 7101.62: Office Safety			
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105	h.	NIST S 7101.66: <u>Ladder Safety</u>			
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107	i.	NIST S 7101.67: <i>Fall Protection</i>			
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109	j.	NIST O 7401.00: Fire and Life Safety (INET)			
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111	k.	NIST S 7401.01: Fire Protection and Life Safety for Design & Construction			
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113	1.	NIST S 7401.02: <u>Inspection, Testing, and Maintenance of Fire Protection and Life Safety</u>			
114		<u>Systems</u>			
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117	6.	REQUIREM	ENTS
118	a.	General requir	rements for all walking surfaces
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120		(1) Housekeep	oing – walking surfaces shall be:
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122		(a) Clean,	i.e., free from excess debris or material that could result in a slipping or
123		tripping	g hazard;
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125		(b) Unclut	tered (please see Section 6.b(8) of NIST S 7401.02); and
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127		(c) Free of	sharp objects or items that extend/protrude into the walking area.
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129		(2) Changes in	n level
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131		(a) Transit	ions in level equal to or greater than 0.25 inches in height shall be beveled:
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133		i.	To a slope of at least 1:2 (rise: run); or
134		ii.	To a slope of at least 1:8 (rise: run) when the change in elevation is greater
135			than 0.5 inches, in accordance with the applicable sections of the ABA and/or
136			2015 International Building Code (IBC).
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138		(b) The fol	llowing are exempt from the requirements of Section 6.a(2)(a):
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140		i. 	Elevator pits;
141		ii.	Elevator penthouses;
142		iii.	Mechanical rooms;
143		iv.	Piping or equipment catwalks;
144		v.	Electrical and telephone closets;
145		vi.	General utility rooms;
146		vii.	Water treatment or sewage pump rooms;
147		viii.	Electric substations;
148		ix.	High voltage or Transformer vaults; and
149		х.	Construction areas.
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151		` '	uding significant imperfections and large cracks (surface openings), greater
152		-	all to 0.5 inches in width in common spaces or greater than or equal to 2 inches
153		in the exen	npted locations listed in Section 6.a(2)(b) above, shall be:
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155		(a) Approp	priately repaired;
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157	(b) Covered – all covers used to cover holes in floors shall be:
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159	i. Able to support at least twice the maximum intended load;
160	ii. Secured to prevent accidental displacement;
161	iii. Labeled with the word "Caution - Hole"; and
162	iv. When used as a walking surface, beveled so that they are considered
163	"even/flush" in accordance with Section 6.a(2); or
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165	(c) Barricaded (e.g., cones, guardrails, caution tape or other objects).
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167	(4) Openings, in vertical wall or guardrail system or other vertical surfaces that are at least 30
168	inches (76 cm) high and at least 18 inches (46 cm) wide; and with the inside bottom edge
169	of the opening is less than 39 inches (99 cm) above that walking-working surface and the
170	outside bottom edge of the opening is 4 feet (1.2 m) or more above a lower level, shall
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173	(a) Appropriately repaired;
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175	(b) Protected from falling by the use of:
176	: Cyandasil systems
177	i. Guardrail systems;
178	ii. Safety net systems;
179	iii. Travel restraint systems; or,
180	iv. Personal fall arrest systems.
181 182	b. Specific requirements for all indoor walking surfaces
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184	(1) Floor coverings (e.g., movable rugs, mats, runners) shall be:
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186	(a) Fixed in place or provided with slip resistant backing;
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188	(b) Have beveled edges (with maximum slope of 1:2 (rise: run) on all sides where
189	personnel may walk;
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191	(c) Have a pile that is 0.5 inches or less;
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193	(d) Free of defects including, but not limited to:
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195	i. Loose or frayed edges;
196	ii. Unsecured seams;
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197	iii. Excessive wear; and
198	iv. Wrinkles.
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200	(2) Carpeted areas shall be free from:
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202	(a) Loose or frayed sections;
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204	(b) Unsecured seams and transition points with other flooring materials (e.g., tile or
205	thresholds);
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207	(c) Excessive wear; and
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209	(d) Wrinkles.
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211	(3) Tiled surfaces shall be maintained in good shape, with intact tiles.
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213	(a) Loose, missing, or damaged tiles shall be reported to the OFPM service desk and
214	repaired as soon as feasible.
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216	(4) Uncarpeted areas shall be dry under normal conditions.
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218	(a) Building entrances – During inclement weather, carpets, runners, or mats shall be
219	placed at building entrances where the entrance is uncarpeted.
220	
221	(b) Janitorial operations that can create slippery conditions, including mopping or waxing
222	 Warning signs shall be posted to alert staff.
223	
224	(c) When floors are wet due to non-hazardous spills, leaks, or other sources:
225	
226	i. Absorbent pads or paper towels should be used when available;
227	ii. Temporary barricades or objects should be placed in the area to prevent
228	employees from walking on wet/slippery surfaces; and
229	iii. Janitorial services shall be notified for clean-up.
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231	(d) Wet processes [not including common janitorial services specified above in Section
232	6.b.(4)(b)] – When wet processes are being used or present:
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234	i. Floor drainage is required; and
235	ii. The following should be considered to improve traction:
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237		(i)	Appropriate footwear requirement;		
238		(ii)	Raised platforms;		
239		(iii)	Floor mats;		
240		(iv)	Surface texturing; or		
241		(v)	Cross cut grooving.		
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243	c.	Stairs			
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245		(1) Stairs shall be pr	ovided for access from one elevation to another when the change in		
246		elevation is 7 inc	hes or greater and it is necessary for routine travel between levels.		
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248		NOTE:	Ramps compliant with NIST S 7401.01 may be used in place of stairs.		
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250		(2) Stairs shall meet	the design requirements per NIST S 7401.01.		
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252		` ,	irs with 2 steps or less, visual cues, including but not limited to		
253	highlighted tread noses and warning signs, shall be used to alert individuals.				
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255		(4) Stair treads shall	have the following requirements:		
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257		(a) Be slip resist	ant or have nonskid materials applied, if necessary, to improve traction;		
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259		(b) Have intact n	ose or front edges that are flush; and		
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261		. ,	mental metal or plastic edge/nose materials are used, these shall be flush		
262			ntal surface and rounded on the vertical surface to prevent tripping, in		
263		accordance v	vith applicable IBC and ABA-UFAS guidance.		
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265	a.	Elevated Work Surfa	aces		
266		(1) The following sh	all he must coted from falling chicats when would is nonformed on an		
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269		elevated work su	mace.		
270		(a) Individuals th	nat may walk or work beneath the elevated work area; and		
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272		(b) Property loca	tad balow the elevated work area		
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274		(2) The following of	entrol measures shall be utilized to protect individuals from injury due to		
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277	(a) Physical barricades;
278 279	(b) Cananias:
280	(b) Canopies;
280 281	(c) Hard hats;
282	(c) Hard hats,
283	(d) Toe boards/screens; and
284	(a) Too courable percents, and
285	(e) Setbacks established for tools or materials from access opening (e.g., stairs or ladder).
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287	(3) The following control measures shall be utilized to prevent property damage due to
288	falling objects from elevated work areas:
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290	(a) Canopies;
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292	(b) Toe boards/screens; and
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294	(c) Setbacks established for tools or materials from an access opening (e.g., stairs or
295	ladder).
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297	(4) Control measures utilized to prevent injury and property damage due to falling objects
298	from elevated work areas shall meet the following requirements.
299	(a) Damigadas shall he such that individuals are marrented from entering a small honorth
300 301	(a) Barricades shall be such that individuals are prevented from entering a space beneath an elevated work surface.
302	an elevated work surface.
303	(b) Canopies used for falling object protection shall be:
304	(b) Canopies used for faming object protection shall be.
305	i. Designed to prevent collapse and penetration by falling objects; and
306	ii. When installed outdoors, designed to withstand applicable weather conditions
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308	(c) Toe boards shall be:
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310	i. Solid material or materials with openings that are less than 1 inch at their
311	greatest dimension;
312	ii. Installed for a length that is sufficient to protect personnel below;
313	iii. Placed tight to the floor or no more than 0.25 inches off the floor.
314	iv. At least 3.5 inches high; except
315	(i) When used around repair, service, or assembly pits, they shall be at
316	least 2.5 inches high;



317	(ii) When items are stacked higher than the toe board, then toe boards
318	should be extended to the midrail or top rail; and
319	v. Able to withstand, 50 pounds of force applied downward or outward.
320	vi. Firmly attached to associated guardrails that are complaint with the
321	requirements of NIST S 7101.67, as applicable.
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323	e. Dockboards
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325	(1) Dockboards shall be designed, constructed, and maintained to:
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327	(a) Support the maximum intended load; and
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329	(b) Where necessary, prevent transfer vehicles (e.g., forklifts, hand trucks, carts) from
330	running off the edge.
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332	(2) Portable dockboards shall be equipped with handholds or other means to permit safe
333	handling.
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335	(3) Installation and use of dockboards shall only be performed by individuals who have
336	received appropriate training in accordance with the manufacture's guidance.
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338	(a) Portable dockboards shall be secured in such a manner as to prevent their movement
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340	i. If securing is not feasible, sufficient contact between the dockboard and the
341	surface shall be afforded to prevent movement.
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343	(4) Employees on a dockboard shall be protected from falling 4 feet (1.2 m) by a guardrail of
344	handrails, with the exceptions listed below.
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346	(a) Guardrails are not required when dockboards are being used solely for materials-
347	handling operations using motorized equipment (e.g., forklifts).
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349	(b) Employees using dockboards without guardrails that are exposed to falls between 4
350	feet (1.2 m) and 10 feet (3.05 m) are required to receive training as per NIST S
351	7106.67.
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353	(5) Wheel chocks or sand shoes shall be used to prevent transport vehicles (e.g., trucks, sem
354	trailers, trailers) from moving while dockboards are in use.
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356 357	f.	Inspection and Hazard Abatement Response			
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360 361		(2) Identified deficiencies shall be reported to:			
362 363		(a) OFPM, where appropriate, or			
364 365		(b) Line management of the OU assigned to that space.			
366 367		(3) Measures shall be taken to abate the deficiency:			
368 369		(a) Immediately and completely; or			
370 371 372 373 374		(b) In such a way as to prevent injury to an individual until the deficiency can be fully abated. If the correction or repair cannot be made immediately, the hazard must be guarded to prevent employees from using the walking-working surface until the hazard is corrected or repaired.			
375 376	g.	Information and Training			
377 378 379		(1) Training shall be provided, documented, and recorded in accordance with the requirements of the NIST S 7101.23.			
380 381 382 383		(2) Employees and covered associates to whom this suborder applies, shall receive the following information and training at the time of their initial assignment to a NIST work area:			
384 385		(a) Information and training provided by OSHE covering the following topics:			
386 387 388		 i. The requirements of this suborder; ii. The applicable contents and availability of 29 CFR 1910 subpart D, <i>Walking and Working Surfaces</i>; and 			
389 390 391		iii. The location and availability of known evaluation tools and references for fall hazard recognition, evaluation and fall prevention.			
392 393		(b) Information provided by the OU/division covering the following topics, as applicable:			
393 394 395		i. Work area-specific procedures for fall prevention and workplace inspections;			



396		ii. Workplace-specific procedures for the purchase and use of compliant
397		equipment and materials relevant to this Suborder; and
398		iii. Workplace specific procedures for dockboard use and inspection.
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401		DEFINITIONS
402		efinitions common to all NIST OSH Suborders can be found in Section 6 of NIST O 7101.00.
403	Th	e definitions specific to this Suborder are as follows:
404 405		
405	a.	<u>Dockboards</u> – A portable or fixed device that spans a gap or compensates for a difference in
406 407		elevation between a loading platform and a transport vehicle. Dockboards include, but are
407		not limited to, bridge plates, dock plates, and dock levelers.
408 409	h	Foll Hazard Any condition on a walking (floor or stair) symboo that greates or increases the
+09 410	b.	<u>Fall Hazard</u> – Any condition on a walking (floor or stair) surface that creates or increases the risk of employee falls on the same level or to a lower level.
411		risk of employee fails on the same level of to a lower level.
412	c.	<u>Fall Protection</u> – Any equipment, device, or system that prevents an employee from falling
413	С.	from one elevation to another or that mitigates the effect of a fall.
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415		Passive fall protection systems include architectural features or installations such as
416		guardrails, star rails, barricades or covers that prevent personnel from falling between
417		elevations.
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419		• Active fall protection systems are dynamic and require the use of special equipment as
420		well as worker participation and include the use of body harness, lanyard, an anchor,
421		lifeline, and connectors such as snap hooks.
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123	d.	Floor Coverings – Materials (e.g., mats, area rugs, runners) made from textiles, felts, resins,
124		rubber, or other natural or man-made substances fastened to, or laid upon, the floor to
125		provide comfort, durability, safety, and/or decoration.
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127	e.	<u>Guardrail System</u> – A barrier erected along an unprotected or exposed side, edge, or other
128		area of a walking-working surface to prevent employees from falling to a lower level.
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430	f.	<u>Handrail</u> – A rail used to provide employees with a handhold for support.
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132	g.	Hole – A gap or opening in common walking surface/area (hallway, office stairwell) greater
133		than or equal to 0.5 inches in width except those locations exempted in Section 6.a(2)(b).
134		For excepted locations, e.g., mechanical spaces, roofs, horizontal walking surface, or similar



435 surfaces that has a gap or opening of at least 2 inches in its least dimension. Holes typically 436 go through one floor surface and allow objects or personnel to pass to the next lower level. 437 438 h. Lower Level – A surface or area below another work area. These surfaces or areas include, 439 but are not limited to, ground levels, floors, roofs, ramps, runways, vaults, pits, tanks, 440 equipment, and similar surfaces and structures, or portions thereof. 441 442 i. Opening – A gap or open space in a wall, partition, vertical walking-working surface, or 443 similar surface that is at least 30 inches (76 cm) high and at least 18 inches (46 cm) wide, 444 through which an employee can fall to a lower level; and where the inside bottom edge of the opening, is also less than 39 inches (99 cm) above that walking-working surface and the 445 outside bottom edge of the opening is 4 feet (1.2 m) or more above a lower level. 446 447 448 j. <u>Platform</u> – A walking or working surface (floor or mezzanine) that is elevated above the 449 surrounding area. 450 451 k. Ramp – An inclined walking-working surface used to access another level. 452 453 1. Stairway (Stairs) – Risers and treads that connect one level with another, including landings 454 and platforms in between levels. Stairways include standard, spiral, alternating tread-type, 455 and ship stairs. 456 457 m. Toeboard – A low protective barrier that is designed to prevent materials, tools, and 458 equipment from falling to a lower level, and protect employees from falling. 459 460 n. Tread – A horizontal portion of a stair or stairway, not including landings or platforms. 461 462 o. Walking or Working Surface – Any horizontal or vertical surface on or through which an employee walks, works, or gains access to a work area or workplace location; typically, a 463 floor surface. 464 465 466 p. Work Area – A defined space in a workplace. 467 468 469 8. ACRONYMS 470 Acronyms common to all NIST OSH Suborders can be found in Section 7 of NIST O 7101.00. 471 The acronyms specific to this Suborder are as follows:

a. ABA – Architectural Barriers Act

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475 476	b.	ANSI – American National Standards Institute
477 478	c.	<u>CFR</u> – Code of Federal Regulations
479 480	d.	<u>IBC</u> – International Building Code
481 482	e.	NIST – National Institute of Standards and Technology
483 484	f.	OSHA – Occupational Safety and Health Administration
485 486	g.	OSHE – Office of Safety, Health, and Environment
487 488	h.	<u>OU</u> – Organizational Unit
489 490 491	i.	<u>UFAS</u> – Unified Federal Access Standards
492	9.	RESPONSIBILITIES
493		les and responsibilities common to all NIST OSH Suborders can be found in Section 8 of NIST
494 495		7101.00. The roles and responsibilities specific to this Suborder are as follows:
496 497	a.	OU Directors are responsible for:
498 499 500 501 502		(1) Establishing policies and procedures, as needed, for the requirements of this program to be met as it applies to their employees and covered associates to mitigate slip trip and fall hazards in their OU-assigned space and ensure that those policies and procedures are implemented; and,
503 504 505		(2) Ensuring subordinate managers have the authority, resources, and training needed to implement OU-established policies and procedures.
506 507	b.	<u>OFPM</u> is responsible for: ²
508 509 510		(1) Inspecting outdoor walking and working surfaces, which are designed for or may be reasonably foreseeable as pedestrian paths, at least annually, and documenting inspections in accordance with NIST S 7101.26.

 $^{^2}$ It is understood that OFPM contractors may perform some of these items. When that is the case, OFPM is responsible for ensuring that all applicable requirements are met.



511512513	(2) Coordinating with work area occupants prior to performing any work (<i>e.g.</i> , demolition, renovation) to ensure that slip trip and fall hazards are mitigated and falling object protection is provided when applicable;
514	reconstruction reconstruction,
515	(3) Ensuring janitorial staff post warning signs while performing operations that could create
516	slippery conditions; and
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518	(4) Ensuring that the installation, repair or replacement of walking surfaces, stairs, guardrail,
519520	and handrail systems is performed or supervised by a competent person and that the final product conforms to the requirements of this Suborder and applicable references.
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522	c. OSHE is responsible for:
523	(1) A 1 : : OFD) (
524	(1) Advising OFPM as necessary on modification, updates, and repairs needed on walking
525	and working surfaces including applicable passive fall protection at NIST locations;
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527528	(2) Inspecting indoor walking and working surfaces at least annually, as part of routine
528 529	workplace inspections in collaboration with space owners or as part of inspections of common areas conducted to fulfill requirements of NIST S 7401.02 and documenting
530	inspections in accordance with NIST S 7101. 26; and
531	inspections in accordance with 14151 5 7101. 20, and
532	(3) At sites not owned and operated by NIST, coordinating with the responsible site owner o
533	occupational safety and health organization to address NIST's requirements.
534	occupational surety and neutri organization to address 1418.1 8 requirements.
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536	10. AUTHORITIES
537	There are no authorities specific to this Suborder alone. For authorities applicable to all NIST
538	OSH Suborders, see section 9 of NIST O 7101.00.
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541	11. DIRECTIVE OWNER
542	a. Chief Safety Officer
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545	12. APPENDICIES
546	APPENDIX A. Revision History
547	APPENDIX B. Walkway and Work Surface Evaluation Guidance



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Appendix A. Revision History

Version No.	Approval Date	Effective Date	Brief Description of Change; Rationale
1	09/05/2023	04/01/2024	None – Initial document
2	02/05/2024	04/01/2024	 Section 6.a(3) – Wording modified for "holes" to be consistent with OSHA regulation. Section 6.a(4) – Requirement added for "openings" to be consistent with OSHA regulation. Section 7.i – Definition for "opening" was added. Updated page numbering format



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Appendix B. Walkway and Work Surface Evaluation Guidance

#	General, Walking and Working Surfaces Requirements	Yes	No	NA
A	All passageways, workrooms, storerooms, service rooms, and walking surfaces are kept in a clean, orderly, and sanitary condition.			
В	During housekeeping operations that can create slippery floors, including mopping or waxing, warning signs shall be posted			
С	Workroom floors, including lab, industrial and office spaces, are maintained in a clean and, to the extent feasible, in a dry condition.			
D	Floors and other walking surfaces are kept dry under normal conditions.			
Е	Walkway surfaces are slip resistant under expected conditions and use. [If painted, paint contains an abrasive or texturing to provide slip resistance where wet conditions are likely]			
F	Walking surfaces including stairs are free of hazards such as sharp or protruding objects, loose boards or materials, corrosion, leaks, spills, snow, and ice.			
G	Tiled and concrete surfaces are in good condition, with intact tiles/slabs.			
Н	When wet processes are used, drainage is present to the extent feasible, or false floors, platforms, or mats are used.			
Ι	Movable carpets are fixed in place or provided with slip resistant backing; [carpets do not have lose or frayed edges, unsecured seams, worn areas, holes, wrinkles or other hazards that may cause tripping.			
J	Mats or runners are fixed in place or provided with slip resistant backings [Should be provided at wet/slippery locations, particularly at known transitions from wet locations and building entrances.]			
K	Mats, runners, or other floor covering are placed at building entrances and interior walkways immediately inside are kept dry as needed, during inclement weather.			
L	Walking areas above dangerous equipment or processes are protected by a guardrail system unless the equipment is covered or guarded to eliminate the hazard.			
M	Walkway surfaces are flush. No changes in level of more than 1/4 in. vertically are found. [Note: If change in elevation is between 1/4 and 1/2 in. edge shall be beveled; changes greater than 1/2" must be sloped per IBC guidance.]			
N	No holes greater and 2" or more are present. [If present, holes in floors, greater than 2" are covered or guarded to prevent tripping on, or stepping into]			
О	No joints or cracks greater than or equal to ½" are present [If present, large joints or cracks are covered or guarded to prevent tripping on, or stepping into]			
P	Stairs have uniform riser heights and tread depths between landings.			
Q	Stair landings and platforms are at least the width of the stair and at least 30 inches in depth, as measured in the direction of travel;			
R	For short stair flights (2 steps or less) additional visual cues including highlighted tread noses and warning signs are present.			
S	Personnel on lower levels are protected from falling object hazards when work is performed overhead.			
Т	Other issues noted? Comment			