



ILA-UMX JOINT SAFETY COMMITTEE

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Inspection, Testing & Certification of Cranes



In the U.S., OSHA regulates the manner in which all cranes used within the marine cargo handling industry must be looked after in order to ensure their operational safety.

In that light, OSHA's "***Certification of Marine Terminal Material Handling Devices***" requirements are found at 29 CFR 1917.50. Here's a link:

<https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1917/1917.50>

In sum, those regulations provide that:

- 1).** The employer shall not utilize any such device until it is ascertained that the device has been certificated in accordance with [29 CFR Part 1919](#), by [third party] organizations/persons who have been approved for the purpose by the Secretary of Labor; *and*
- 2).** All cranes must be tested as a unit quadrennially and examined annually. Certificates [specialized OSHA Forms] for that purpose must be available for inspection.

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