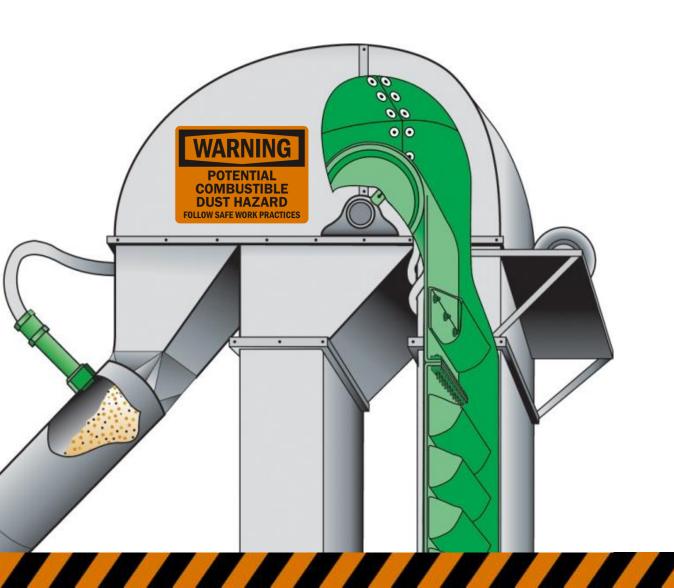
### Is YOUR Hazard Monitoring System Safe?

10 Essential Tips To Help Ensure It Is!



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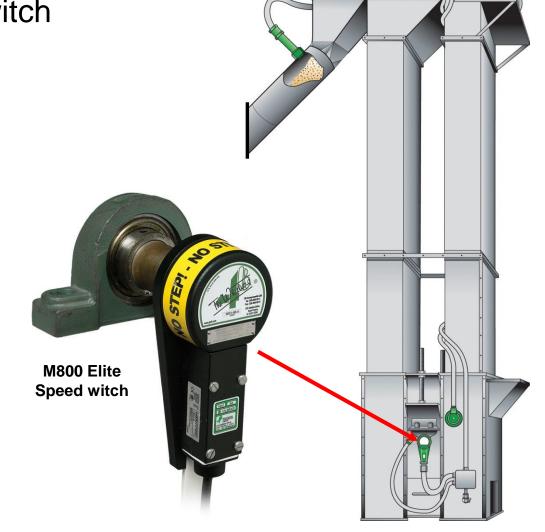
monitors for the application

A. Need a true underspeed switch to detect belt slip, NOT a stopswitch



Standard 1910.272(q)(5)

The employer shall equip bucket elevators with a motion detection device which will shut-down the bucket elevator when the belt speed is reduced by no more than 20% of the normal operating speed.



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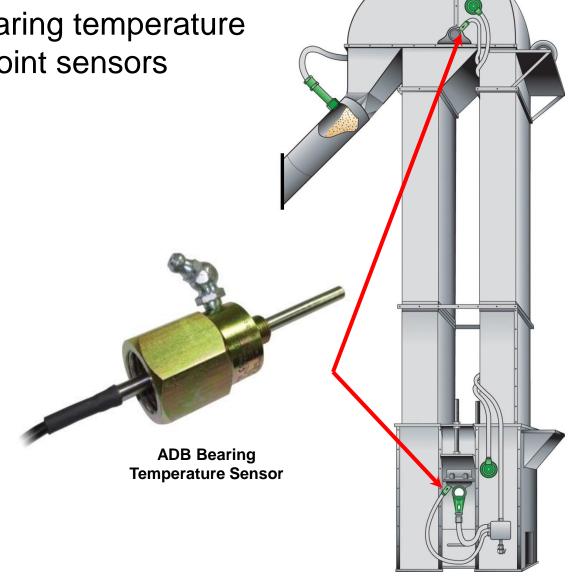
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B. Need continuous bearing temperature monitors, NOT trip point sensors



Standard 1910.272(q)(5)

Provide vibration monitoring, temperature monitoring, or other means to monitor the condition of those bearings mounted inside or partially inside the leg casing.



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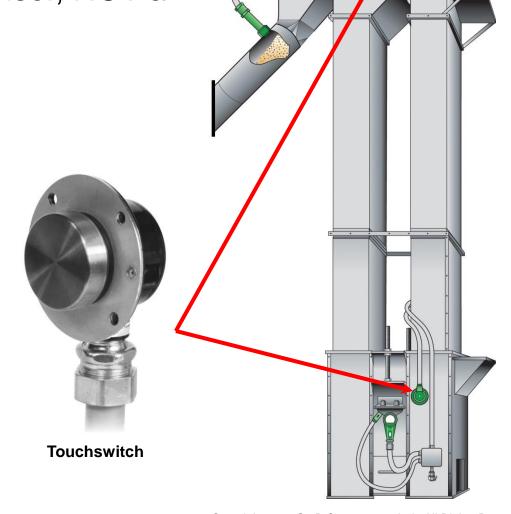
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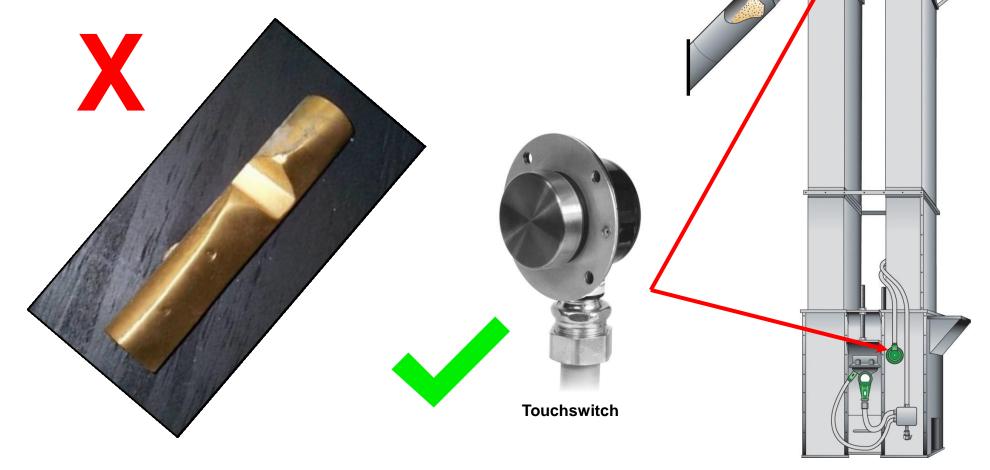
Standards 1910.272(q)(6)(i) & 1910.272 (q)(6)(ii)

Equip bucket elevators with a belt alignment monitoring device which will initiate an alarm to employees when the belt is not tracking properly.



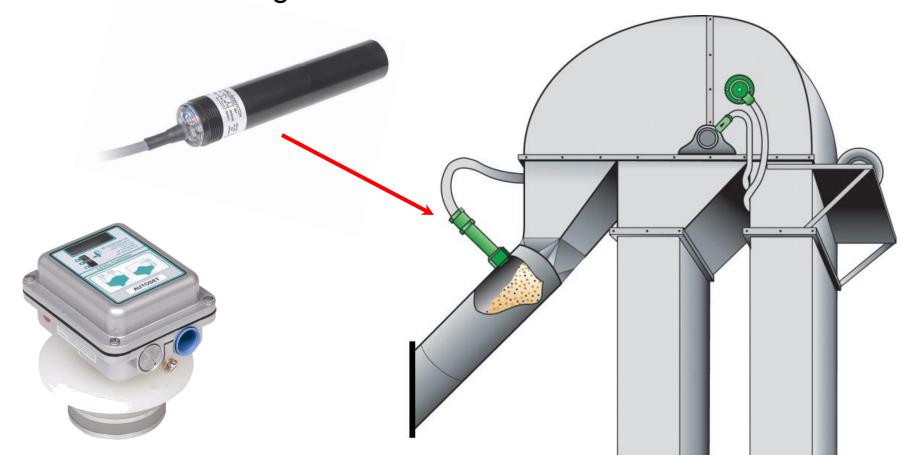
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 Make sure that you have selected the correct hazard monitors for the application

 D. Need a Plugswitch in discharge or head section to detect a blockage



#### **OSHA & NFPA STANDARDS**

(See Actual Standard For Full Interpretation: OSHA 1910-272, NFPA 61, NFPA 654)

Hazard	Requirement
Belt Slip	Motion detection device to provide a shutdown and alarm at 20% reduction in normal belt speed. Also shutdown of feeding equipment.
Belt Misalignment	Belt alignment monitoring devices at head and tail pulleys, which initiate an alarm.
Bearing Failure	Bearing temperature or bearing vibration monitors which activate and alarm.
Pulley Misalignment	Head pulley alignment monitors which activate an alarm.
Plugged Spout	Sensors which provide a shutdown and alarm when there is a plug condition. Also shutdown of feeding equipment.

# 2. Install correctly listed and approved sensors and controls per industry code

 Are the sensors and controls approved for use in dusty environments?

Class I - Flammable gases in sufficient quantities to produce explosive or flammable mixtures.

Class II - The presence of combustible dust.

Class III - Contain easily ignitable fibers and flying's.

Division 1 - Flammable gases, vapors, liquids, combustible dusts or ignitable fibers and flying's <u>are likely to exist</u> under normal operating conditions.

Division 2 - Flammable gases, vapors, liquids, combustible dusts or ignitable fibers and flying's <u>are not likely to exist</u> under normal operating conditions.

- Group A Atmospheres containing acetylene.
- Group B Atmospheres containing hydrogen, gases or vapors of equivalent hazard.
- Group C Atmospheres containing ethyl-ether vapors, ethylene, or cyclo-propane.
- Group D Atmospheres containing gasoline, hexane, benzene, butane, propane, etc.
- Group E Atmospheres containing metal dust.
- Group F Atmospheres containing carbon black, coal, or coke dust.
- Group G Atmospheres containing flour, starch, or grain dusts.



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3. Use only professional installers familiar with hazard monitoring systems for your industry

- If you do not have a professionally installed system, then issues will likely arise
- Send your electrician to the manufacturers facility for training on the equipment to be installed
- Have the manufacturer install the system or read a suitable installer

4. Engage the equipment manufacturer to commission the system and approve the installation

 Commissioned by the factory or authorized factory technicians, independent from the installers



## Develop a maintenance policy for system testing and verification

Periodically test by plant maintenance personnel

Conduct annual testing by the factory/manufacturer



Standard 1910.272 App A

It is imperative that the prearranged schedule of maintenance be adhered to regardless of other facility constraints. The employer should give priority to the maintenance or repair work associated with safety control equipment...



## TYPICAL TEST EQUIPMENT FOR HAZARD MONITORING SYSTEMS



UNDERSPEED TESTING



BEARING TEMPERATURE TESTING 6. Design and implement a hazard monitoring protocol

- What alarm point/s to be set
- What to do when an alarm occurs
- What to do if there is a false alarm

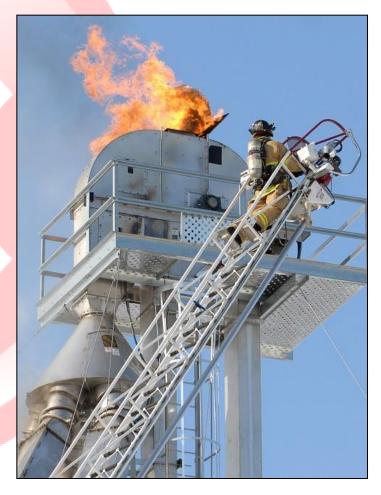




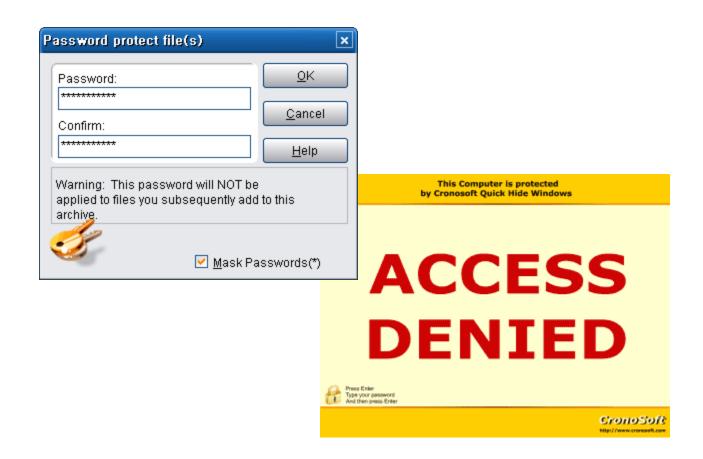
### 7. Keep essential spare components on hand

 Have spare sensors and components available for immediate replacement so that down time is reduced to a minimum

DO NOT RUN IN BYPASS

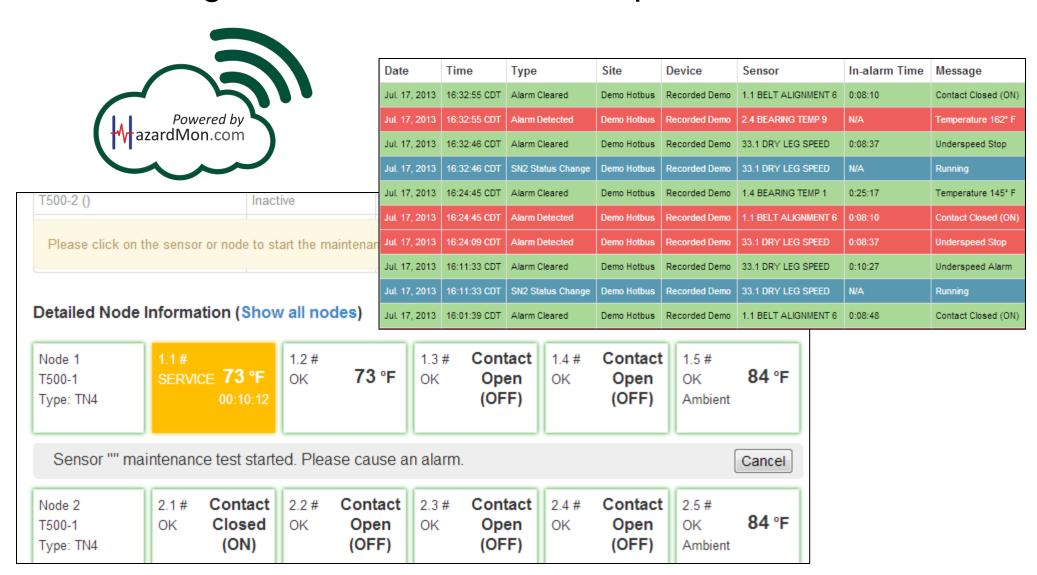


- 8. Ensure that the system is secure
  - Develop a written security policy
  - Use password protection for making parameter changes to the system



#### 9. Keep a historical record of alarms and shutdowns

Log / record all alarms and operation conditions



#### 10. Education

 Educate operators on the hazards of grain dust explosions

- Instruct employees that company policy must be followed
- Automatically log all alarms and shutdowns so that operators understand that there is a permanent record and they are accountable.



### 10 Essential Tips

- 1. Select the correct hazard monitors for the application
- 2. Install correctly listed and approved sensors and controls
- 3. Use only professional installers
- 4. Engage the equipment manufacturer to commission the system and approve the installation
- 5. Develop a maintenance policy for system testing and verification
- 6. Design and implement a hazard monitoring protocol
- 7. Must have spare components on hand
- 8. Ensure that the system is secure
- 9. Keep a historical record of alarms and shutdowns
- 10. Educate employees and coworkers

### QUESTIONS?

