

## Hazard Classes

There is an advantage to identifying the type of hazards. This allows patterns and trends to be identified in a workplace. The following categories of hazards are recommended. These codes can be used to record observed issues during inspection as well as trends in issues in the workplace.

BIO	Biological Hazards: includes organisms or toxic substances produced by living things that can cause illnesses or disease in humans (e.g., Bacteria, viruses, fungi, parasites, insects)
CHM	Chemical Hazards: includes any form of chemical such as compressed gases, solvents, etc.
CFS	Confined Space Hazard
ELC	Electrical Hazards
ENY	Energy Hazards: includes pneumatic or hydraulic pressure, steam, heat
ERG	Ergonomic Hazards: includes design of the workplace and jobs that involve repetition, force and posture.
FRX	Fire and Explosion Hazard
LOTO	Lockout / TAgout
MEG	Machine Hazards: includes hazards from moving parts like rotating shafts, belts, pulleys, blades, saws
MMH	Manual material handling
NOI	Noise
PHS	Physical Hazards: includes vibration, heat, cold and radiation
SFL	Slips and falls (falls from same height)
WAH	Working at heights - potential fall from different height
WKP	Work Practice Hazards: includes failure to have or follow safe work practices such not using PPE or LEV
OTH	Other hazard not listed