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A10.35 Pressure Testing of Steel and Copper Piping Systems (under development)
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A10.38 Basic Elements of a Program to Provide a Safe and Healthful Work Environment
A10.39 Construction Safety and Health Audit Program
A10.40 Reduction of Musculoskeletal Problems in Construction
A10.42 Rigging Qualifications and Responsibilities in the Construction Industry
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SAFETY REQUIREMENTS FOR THE INSTALLATION OF DRILLED SHAFTS

1. Scope, Purpose, Application and Exceptions

1.1 Scope
This standard establishes safety requirements for the installation of drilled shafts during construction and demolition operations.

1.2 Purpose
This standard is intended for use as a guideline for protecting workers from hazards associated with installation of drilled shafts.

1.3 Application
This standard applies to employment and places of employment where employees are exposed to hazards associated with the construction of drilled shafts for foundations and earth retention elements. This standard does not apply to driven piles covered by ANSI/ASSP A10.19 or caissons covered by ANSI/ASSP A10.16.

1.4 Exceptions
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2. References

2.1 Referenced American National Standards
This standard is intended to be used in conjunction with the latest approved revision of the following American National Standards.

ANSI/ASSP A10.8, Scaffolding Safety Requirements
ANSI/ASSP A10.9, Safety Requirements for Concrete and Masonry Work
ANSI/ASSP A10.12, Safety Requirements for Excavation
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