

SAFETYPOINT



Scrapyard Safety Training

OSHA Recordkeeping

What is **first-aid** for purposes of OSHA recordkeeping?

In other words, the items below are **NOT recordable**:

- Using a **non-prescription medication** (like ibuprofen) at **nonprescription strength** (for medications available in both prescription and non-prescription form, a recommendation by a physician or other licensed health care professional to use a non-prescription medication at prescription strength is considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes)
- Administering **tetanus immunizations** (other immunizations, such as Hepatitis B vaccine or rabies vaccine, are considered medical treatment)
- Cleaning, flushing or soaking wounds on the surface of the skin
- Using wound coverings such as bandages, Band-Aids™, gauze pads, etc.; or using butterfly bandages or **Steri-Strips™** (other wound closing devices such as sutures, staples, etc., are considered medical treatment)
- Using hot or cold therapy (like a cold pack)
- Using any non-rigid means of support, such as elastic bandages, wraps, **non-rigid back belts**, etc. (devices with rigid stays or other systems designed to immobilize parts of the body are considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes)
- Using temporary immobilization devices while transporting an accident victim (e.g., splints, slings, neck collars, back boards, etc.)
- **Drilling of a fingernail** or toenail to relieve pressure, or draining fluid from a blister
- Using eye patches
- Removing foreign bodies from the eye **using only irrigation** or a cotton swab
- **Removing splinters or foreign material** from areas **other than the eye** by irrigation, tweezers, cotton swabs or other simple means
- Using finger guards
- Using massages (**physical therapy or chiropractic treatment are considered medical treatment for recordkeeping purposes**). In other words, PT and chiropractic **are recordable**.
- Drinking fluids for relief of heat stress

For more information go to: <https://www.osha.gov/recordkeeping/index.html>



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