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CONFINED ENVIRONMENTS: PROTECTIVE DEVICES AND HEALTH SURVEILLANCE

After assessing the **DATORE DI LAVORO**, dopo risks of the confined environment, workers must choose **and provide** appropriate protective equipment, work and rescue equipment and equipment for controlling the atmosphere in the workplace.

The DPR No.177/2011 indicates as a fundamental requirement for the qualification of the company, necessary to operate in suspicious or confined environments, the **company's own possession** of individual protective equipment, equipment and work equipment, as well as training workers to use them.

Imposing the company's possession of these assets has significant consequences. The high costs of equipment make it difficult for improvised companies to enter the market to operate in confined environments, and the fact of providing for the obligation of ownership, without allowing the possibility of rental to third parties, places the company's obligation to maintain and maintain, as well as the control of functionality, all the equipment, equipment and equipment necessary to operate in confined spaces, thus avoiding incidental events arising from the lack of such measures.

Due to the presence of specific risks detectable in confined environments (the presence of hazardous substances or oxygen deficiency), risks induced by the type of processing to be carried out (mmc, vibration and noise risk, etc.) and the necessary use by workers of airway protection devices of category III, it is an essential requirement to operate in environments suspected of pollution or confined to the possession of health suitability by workers.

It should be highlighted, not surprisingly, that DPR 177/2011 prescribes the obligation, and no longer the faculty, for the self-employed and for workers in family businesses operating in the confined space sector, to undergo health surveillance.

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