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### 23 CFR 634: Use of High-Visibility Apparel When Working on Federal-Aid Highways

Federal Government Begins Mandating High-Visibility Vests for Emergency Responders:

On November 24 2008, a new federal regulation (23 CFR 634) goes into effect mandating that anyone working in the right-of-way of a federal-aid highway must be wearing high-visibility clothing that meets the requirements of ANSI / ISEA 107; 2004 edition class 2 or 3.

This requirement will apply to all emergency responders.

There is further information on the Responder Knowledge Base website including links to download some of the relevant documents, information concerning ANSI / ISEA 207 Public Safety Vests, certain exceptions for police officers, and information about proposed rules changes to later expand the law to cover all public roadways.

An extensive write-up of the issues involved can be found at the following URL:  
[https://www.rkb.us/contentdetail.cfm?content\\_id=200647](https://www.rkb.us/contentdetail.cfm?content_id=200647)

The additional information can also be accessed by searching for "23CFR634" using the keyword search box on every page of the Responder Knowledge Base.

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