Self-inspection checklist

Compressors and compressed air

☐ Are compressors equipped with pressure-relief valves and pressure gauges?

☐ Are compressor air intakes installed and equipped to ensure that only clean, uncontaminated air enters the compressor?

☐ Are air filters installed on the compressor intake?

☐ Are compressors operated and lubricated according to the manufacturers’ recommendations?

☐ Are safety devices on compressed-air systems checked frequently?

☐ Before any repair work is done on compressor pressure systems, is the pressure bled off and the system locked out?

☐ Are signs posted to warn of a compressor’s automatic starting feature?

☐ Is the belt drive system enclosed to provide protection on the front, back, top, and sides?

☐ Do you prohibit directing compressed air toward a person for any reason?

☐ Are employees prohibited from using compressed air over 29 PSI for cleaning purposes unless they use an approved nozzle with pressure relief and clip guard?

☐ When using compressed air for work-area cleaning, do employees use personal protective equipment?

☐ Are high-pressure hoses and connections in good repair?

☐ Before compressed air is used to empty containers of liquid, are the pressure limits of the containers checked?

☐ When compressed air is used with abrasive blast cleaning equipment, is the operating valve a type that must be held open manually?

☐ Is it prohibited to use compressed air to move combustible dust if such action could cause the dust to be suspended in the air and cause a fire or explosion?

☐ If plastic piping is used, is the plastic approved for air line service? (Some ABS is OK — PVC is not.)