

A photograph of a cluttered office cubicle. In the foreground, a desk holds a computer keyboard and mouse. A black office chair is positioned in front of the desk. To the left, a filing cabinet is visible with several papers and boxes on top. The cubicle wall is covered with various papers and notices. The overall scene suggests a workspace that is not well-maintained or organized.

Office Safety

How Many OSHA Violations Can You Find?

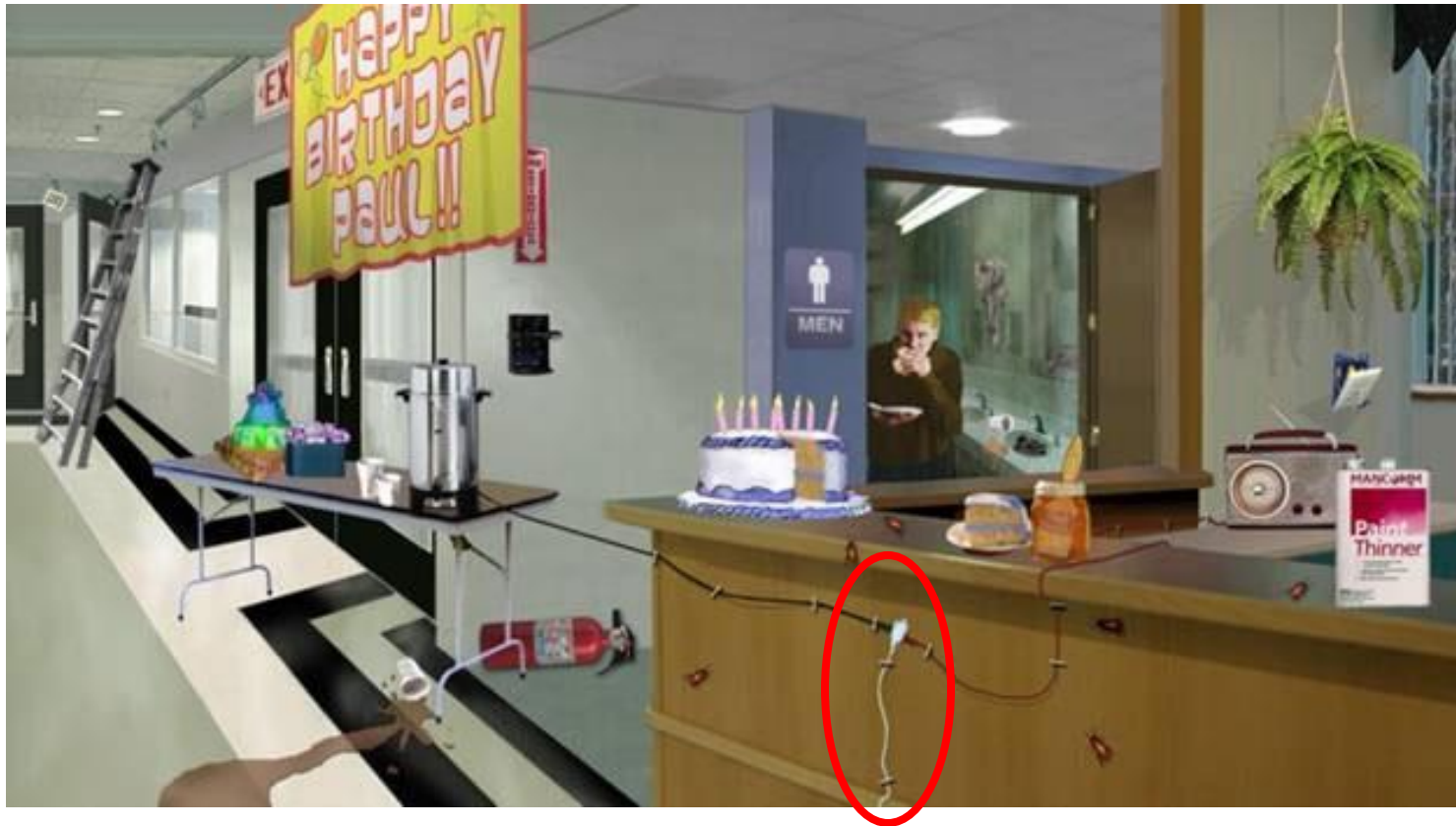
Hint – there are 17.



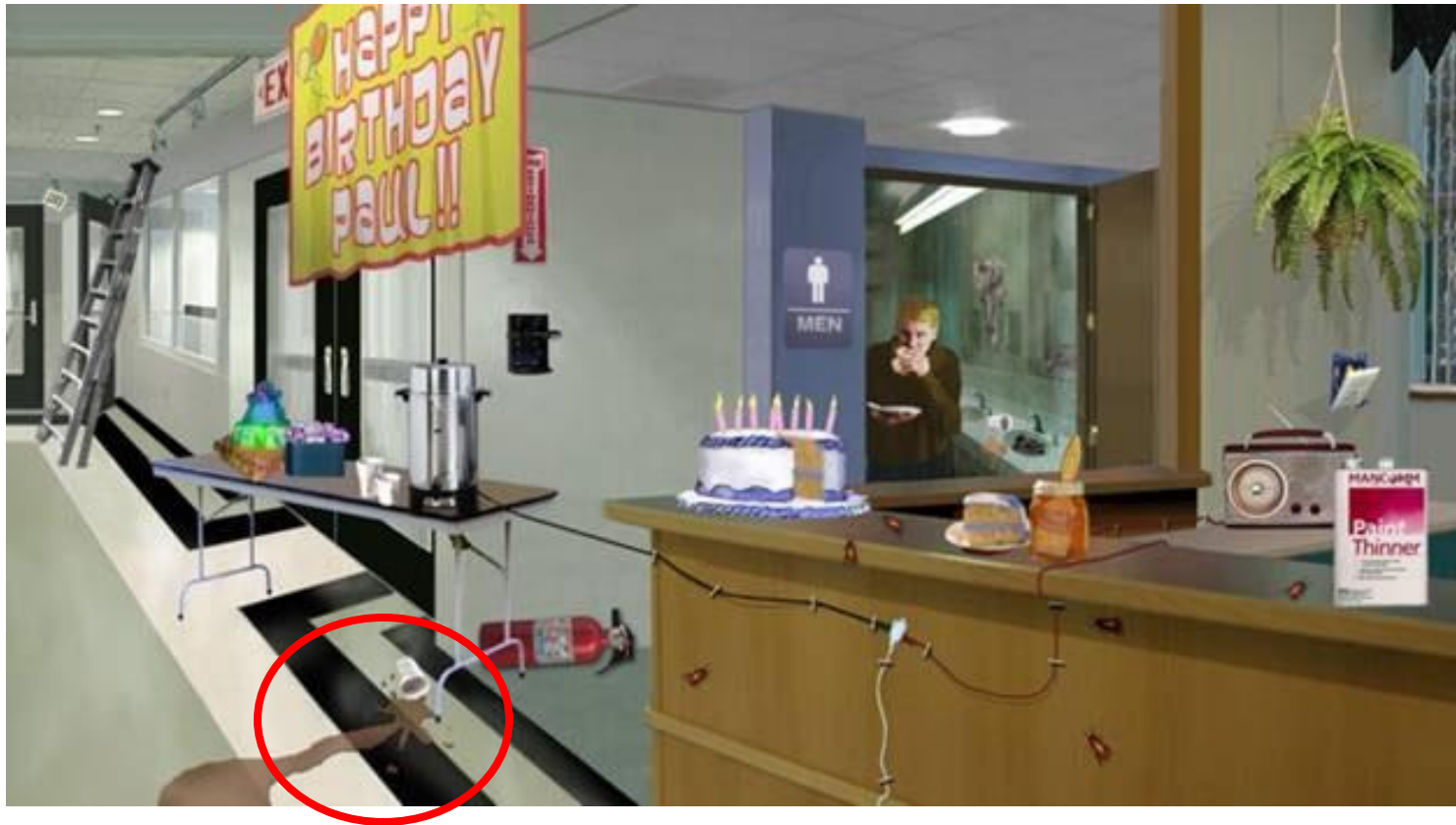
Radio on the counter is plugged in via an extension cord. Flexible cords may not be used as a substitute for fixed wiring.



Radio extension cord is stapled to the counter. Flexible cords may not be used where attached to building surfaces.



Spilled coffee on uncarpeted floor. Floors shall be maintained in a clean and, so far as possible, dry condition.



Most of exit sign and part of door are obscured by HAPPY BIRTHDAY banner. Exit route door must be free of decorations or signs that obscure the visibility of the exit door.



Birthday cake on a plate on counter, next to an open jar of paint thinner. No employee shall be allowed to consume food or beverages in a toilet room nor in any area exposed to a toxic material.



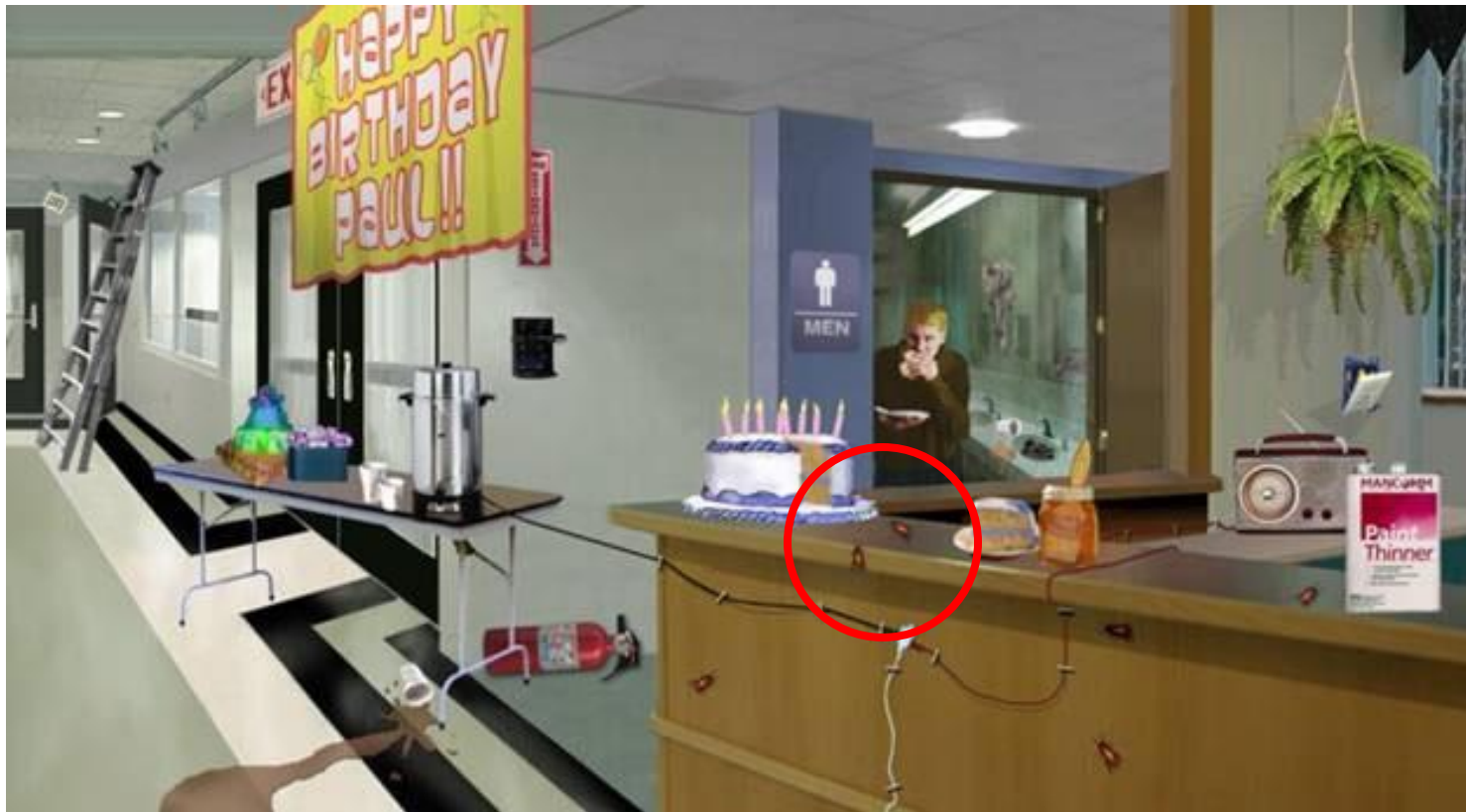
Employee is standing in the bathroom eating a sandwich. No employee allowed to consume food or beverages in a toilet room nor in any area exposed to a toxic material.



Open door of bathroom shows it is a mess. All places of employment, passageways, storerooms, and service rooms shall be kept clean and orderly and in a sanitary condition.



Cockroaches on the counter near the birthday cake. Every enclosed workplace shall be so constructed, equipped, and maintained, so far as reasonably practical, as to prevent the entrance or harborage of rodents, insects, and other vermin.



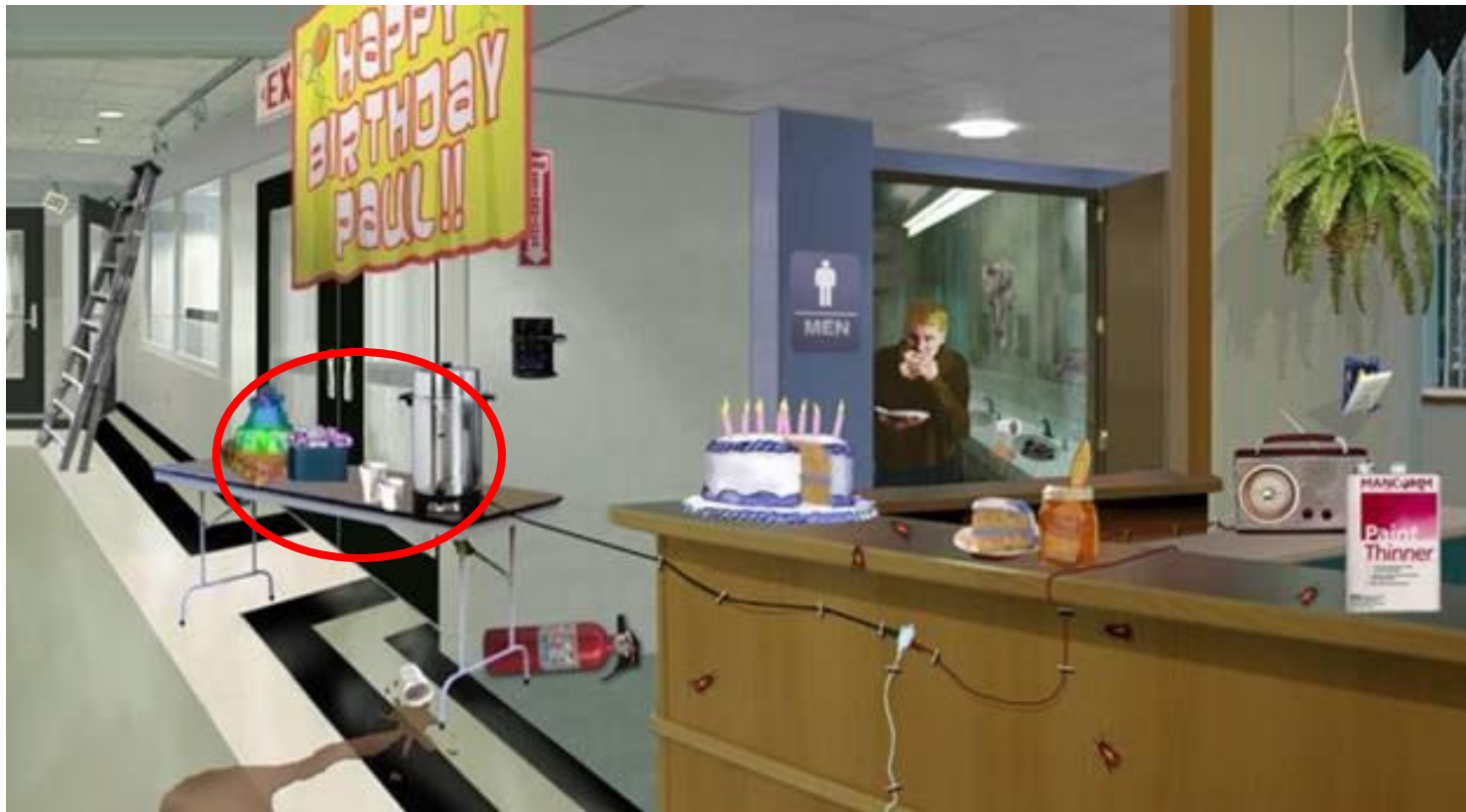
Ladder is propped in front of a partially open door. Ladders shall not be placed in front of doors opening toward the ladder unless the door is blocked upon, locked, or guarded.



Fire extinguisher is on the floor instead of in its designated place. The employer shall assure that portable fire extinguishers are maintained in a fully charged and operable conditions and kept in their designated places at all times except during use.



Table with birthday presents is blocking the emergency exit. Exit routes must be free and unobstructed.



Jar of paint thinner does not have a label on it and it has been left unattended. The employer shall ensure that each container of hazardous chemicals in the workplace is labeled ... except if hazardous chemicals are transferred from labeled containers and is intended for immediate use of the employee.



Exit sign is broken and hanging down. Each exit must be clearly visible and marked by a sign reading "EXIT".



Passageway by the counter has an electric cord hung across it. Aisles and passageways shall be kept clear and in good repairs, with no obstruction across or in the aisles that could create a hazard.



Wiring is exposed below the hanging plant. Water could drip down from the plant. Receptacles may have no live parts normally exposed to employee contact.



Can of paint thinner should not have been left out on the counter. Storage shall be kept in closed metal containers stored in a storage cabinet.



Two plugs are plugged into the same extension cord. The equipment that is plugged in must be grounded or double insulated.

