

10 Safety and Health Protection

10.1 Conditions in the Area of Safety and Health Protection

CSI examined the conditions related to student safety and health protection in 135 schools and school facilities across all regions of the Czech Republic. These included 25 kindergartens, 94 primary schools, 3 grammar schools, 6 secondary professional schools, 5 school facilities for special interests and continuing education, 1 school cafeteria and 1 facility for training children in protective custody.

All of the inspected schools and school facilities had issues related to safety and health protection incorporated into their school rules or internal regulations. These guidelines are regularly updated. Some deficiency was discovered by the inspectorate in 8% of the inspected primary schools. Almost 98% of the inspected schools conduct their own risk analyses and subsequently implement the appropriate remedial measures.

All employees of the inspected facilities were trained, as required under Section 103, Subsection 2 of Act No. 262/2006 Coll. 88% of the primary school teachers and 100% of the academic staff at the other types of schools and school facilities have completed first aid training, as required under Section 102, Subsection 6 of the above act (this data relates to training which has been verifiably completed).

At all of the inspected schools and school facilities, the inspectorate found clean and healthy conditions. Deficiencies were discovered in only 7% of the inspected primary schools. 96% of the inspected primary schools and 100% of the other inspected schools had the required types of first aid kits containing medicines with conforming expiry dates. An injury log, maintained in accordance with Decree No. 64/2005 Coll. was kept by 100% of the kindergartens, 90% of the primary schools, 50% of the grammar schools and 66% of the secondary professional schools. Children and students at all of the schools undergo both entry and periodic physicals.

The use of CCTV monitoring systems contributes to the higher level of security at the schools. At the end of the 2006/2007 school year, the inspectorate was aware of 346 schools and school facilities using such systems.