



Eye Safety



WHAT TO WEAR: DON'T WAIT TO BE TOLD!

Always wear goggles or safety glasses that have side shields:

- If you use contact lenses, wear unvented goggles

Always wear goggles:

- If there will be a lot of dust, liquids, and gases or for overhead work

Also wear a clear, plastic face shield for:

- When working with corrosive chemicals or metals that can splash
- Grinding, chipping, or using a wire brush on welds
- Flying particles
- Sandblasting (the respirator needed for sandblasting has a helmet with a strong shield)

Eye Safety Checklist:

- Minimize hazards from falling or unstable debris.
- Make sure that tools work and safety features (machine guards) are in place.
- Make sure that workers (particularly volunteers) know how to use tools properly.
- Keep bystanders out of the hazard area.
- Identify the primary hazards at the site.
- Identify hazards posed by nearby workers, large machinery, and falling/shifting debris.
- Select the appropriate ANSI Z87.1 eye protection for the hazard.
- Make sure the eye protection is in good condition.
- Make sure the eye protection fits properly and will stay in place.
- Caution – Brush, shake, or vacuum dust and debris from hardhats, hair, forehead, or the top of the eye protection before removing the protection.
- Do not rub eyes with dirty hands or clothing.
- Clean eyewear regularly.