

TOOLBOX

PPE Requirements



Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is anything used or worn by a person to minimise risk to the person's health or safety and includes a wide range of clothing and safety equipment. PPE includes boots, face masks, hard hats, ear plugs, respirators, gloves, safety harnesses and high visibility clothing.

When should PPE be used?

PPE is one of the least effective ways of controlling risks to work health and safety and should only be used:

- when there are no other practical control measures available (as a last resort)
- as an interim measure until a more effective way of controlling the risk can be used, or
- to supplement higher level control measures (as a back-up).

What is the worker's duty in relation to PPE?

A worker who is provided with PPE must:

- use or wear the PPE in accordance as required,
- not intentionally misuse or damage the PPE, and
- advise the PCBU of any damage, defect or need to clean or decontaminate any of the PPE they are aware of.

If the PPE is uncomfortable or does not fit properly, the worker should consult with their supervisor to find alternative options.

Safety glasses rated to AS/NZS 1337
**ALL GLASSES MUST BE AUSTRALIAN
STANDARARD RATED**



Helmet hard hat rated to AS/NZS 1801



Hi-vis, long sleeve shirt and pants



Lace up, ankle high boots, rated to AS/NZS 2210



MANDATORY PPE REQUIREMENTS FOR MCILWAIN CIVIL ENGINEERING SITES



84%

of employees who sustain a head injury are not wearing head protection



50%

of construction workers will suffer a serious eye injury during their career



99%

of noise-induced hearing loss is preventable if proper hearing protection is used



25%

of all workplace accidents involve hands and fingers



25%

of all reported disabling injuries involved foot injuries



Gloves



Hearing protection



Dust mask



Face visor

**OPTIONAL PPE - TASK
DEPENDENT**