

Tips for Personal Protective Clothing



- Start at the top. If you wear a hard hat, make sure it fits properly and that the suspension is adjusted correctly.
- Keep protective glasses or goggles clean and store them properly to avoid scratches or other damage. It's always a good idea to have a spare pair handy.
- You may not notice hearing loss until it's too late. If you're in a noisy environment, use ear plugs or ear muffs.
- Keep hands and fingers safe by removing all jewelry before you start work. Use the right gloves for the job.
- If you work with chemicals, cleaning solvents, etc., make sure to wear gloves and protective clothing that resists chemicals.
- Never use a respirator that doesn't fit securely, has become clogged or damaged, or one through which you can smell contaminants.
- Get in step with safety. Wear the right safety footwear, and have it fitted by an expert. The ANSI-Z41 label inside means your footwear meets recognized safety standards.

Give Workplace Safety the Personal Touch

In manufacturing and other industrial settings, the right protective equipment can be the difference between a happy and a miserable work life. Using the right protective equipment for your job will help you to focus on the work and other safety issues.

PPE Risks

- Every part of you, particularly head, hands and feet
- Protection from toxic substances
- Environmental protection

If you would like to more information on Personal Protective Equipment, please contact the Department of Environmental Health and Safety at ext. 5126.