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Eye Protection Safety

Flicking sand, flying pieces of wood, metal, glass, stone and other material are notorious for causing eye injuries. Work-related eye injuries can be very costly in lost production time, medical expenses, and workers' compensation.

It is the employer's job to make sure that: hazards are identified, proper personal protective equipment (PPE) is available, PPE is maintained, and that PPE is enforced.

Are you doing everything you can to prevent eye injuries at your facility?



Hazards that contribute to eye injuries include:

- Flying particles
- Molten metal
- Acids or caustic liquids
- Chemical gases or vapors
- Injurious light radiation

Learn more:

You can find additional information on OSHA's standard 1910.133 titled Eye and Face Protection at www.osha.gov to make sure your facility is in compliance.

Eye Safety Checklist

- Assessment completed to identify all hazards that could cause eye injuries?
- Is the correct eye protection being worn by all affected employees?
- Is the use of eye protection mandatory and properly enforced?
- Does your company have a written policy stating where eye protection is required?
- Do employees who wear prescription lenses wear eye protection that can be worn over their lenses or wear prescription safety glasses?
- Are eye wash stations available and do employees know where they are located? Is access to them clear and unobstructed?
- Is there a training program that reviews what eye protection is required? Is this training provided at orientation?
- Are eye protection devices properly maintained?
Note: Scratched and dirty devices may reduce visibility and contribute to accidents happening.



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