

# PPE (Personal Protective Equipment)

## scope

This guide sets out our minimum operational requirements when using personal protective equipment (PPE) and applies to all people working on our sites

If we attend another site, such as a contract, and they require a “higher” standard it must be followed

### Mandatory PPE

Required on all operational yards and worksites

### Site PPE

When it is a site requirement and as assessed on the Risk Control Plan

### Task PPE

As required for specific tasks



day glo vests, shirts or overalls (worn done up)



full cover clothing or overalls to protect against abrasions, sun, heat, chemicals burns and other contaminants



steel or composite capped lace up boots (steel capped gumboots in wet conditions)  
note: lace up boots are not to be used when working with asbestos - use safety gumboots



worn if lifting machinery is on site and when something could fall on you or you could fall



when you need to raise your voice to be heard by someone 1m away



worn when assessed as required unless doing so reduces visibility and increases risk (eg worn in the rain) then consider other protection such as a face shield



for 2nd level eye protection & when face protection is required



when exposed to dust or fumes not controlled by other means



for manual handling tasks & handling hazardous materials (not to be worn where there is a risk of entanglement)



# Tasks requiring additional PPE

The following activities require specific PPE

## minimum PPE requirements

### Chainsaws



## additional PPE

based on risk assessment controls



### Concrete Saws



used when exposed to dust not controlled by other means



### Grinders



used when exposed to dust not controlled by other means



### Asbestos



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It is not possible to cover all situations and activities listed here. Sound risk management techniques must always be used when evaluating the PPE required for any task eg ...

- Work over water ..... may require life jackets
- Work at heights ..... may require the use of harnesses
- Work in confined spaces ..... may require breathing apparatus
- Temporary traffic management ..... may require alternative vests
- Noisy work ..... additional hearing protection
- Work with chemicals ..... check the SDS for requirements
- Work in wet conditions ..... wet weather gear

# PPE is your last defence

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