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Part 1 Overview

1.0 Safety and Health Mission Statement

Our safety mission is the elimination of work-related injuries and illness. To this end, an employee-managed program of safe work practices, accident/near-miss incident prevention and risk management, modeled after various federal, state and institutional regulatory agencies (EPA, OSHA, State of Missouri, MU, etc.) has been established to maintain safe and healthy workplaces within Campus Facilities.

The program is overseen by three division oversight committees composed of trades/support, supervisory and managerial staff, and a departmental committee in each of CF six departments:

- Members of the Safety Standards Committee review safety-training needs, draft policy and standards, develop work rules and oversee the safety manual;*
- Members of CF's DM-Plus managerial group, department directors and managers, approve, implement and enforce safety policies;*
- Members of the Safety Steering Committee review accidents, perform safety audits and oversee safety meetings within their respective units;*
- Members of Department Safety Committees -- containing some members who also serve on the Standards, Steering and DM-Plus committees -- implement the program and promote safety action and communication.*

Trades and support staff are especially responsible for practicing safety on the job; supervisors for maintaining a positive safety attitude, instilling this attitude in their subordinates and ensuring that the highest degree of safety is practiced on the job; and senior managers for the leadership, improvement and effectiveness of the three-part safety program.

A safe workplace requires a heightened awareness of safety and cooperation at all job levels. Our goal is to ensure maximum safety and health in the workplace. By working together this can be achieved.

A safe and healthy workplace is our utmost concern!

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1.1 Safety Goals and Objectives

Goal 1: Reduce Injuries

Develop and maintain a required incentive/recognition safety program through:

- *policies and standards adopted by MU and Campus Facilities*
- *policy and standards generated by individual CF units*
- *training proposals reviewed and accepted by CF directors*

Train all employees in:

- *safe work practices/procedures*
- *recognizing and controlling hazards*
- *tool and equipment safety*
- *individual-needs topics*
- *various standards and regulations*

Develop and maintain safety communications

- *determine responsibilities for each workforce*
- *develop a "safety alert" process*
- *create a safety organization chart*
- *determine accountability*
- *develop a safety Web-page*

Develop and maintain a "New Employee" safety-orientation course

Maintain a Campus Facilities Standards Committee to:

- *develop policy*
- *develop safe work rules*
- *suggest training*
- *review safety standards*

Maintain a Campus Facilities Safety Steering Committee to:

- *investigate accidents*
- *review monthly accident and compensation reports*
- *assess unsafe acts and conditions*
- *assist management in controlling hazards*
- *assist in developing a safety manual*

Maintain a Risk Management/Risk Assessment Management Team to:

- *determine the consequences of unsafe acts or procedures*
- *establish disciplinary action for unsafe acts or procedures*

- *suggest and approve policy*
- *control hazards*

Goal 2: Reduce Worker Compensation Costs

Identify and correct known and potential hazards
Analyze accidents, incidents, and near-miss reports
Heighten safety awareness through monthly reports
Reduce injuries

Goal 3: Develop Plans for Safety Goals

Establish unit goals (by unit personnel)

Establish department goals (by CF Safety Steering Committee)

Goal 4: Develop An Employee-Involved Safety Program

Present and implement concepts targeting at-risk and critical behaviors

Provide safety leadership at all levels

Goal 5: Develop Policies and/or Standardize Procedures

Create safety sub-committees for departmental special issues

Solicit input and review from the C.F. Safety Steering Committee

Review of the following by the DM-Plus group

- *personal protective equipment*
- *protective eyewear*
- *hazard assessment*
- *use of injury report form*
- *respirator use*
- *motorized equipment*
- *hearing protection*
- *other current OSHA requirements*

Goal 6: Develop a Manual of Safe Work Practices

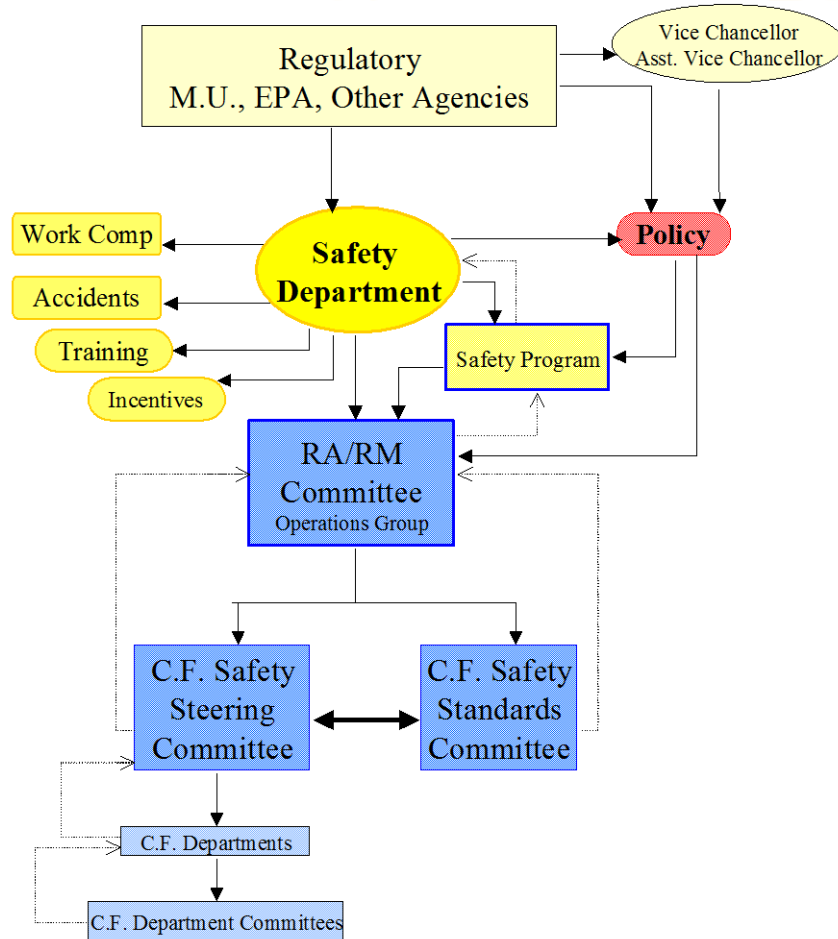
Document common work and analysis procedures

Define hazards and controls for specific tasks

Document engineering controls, work rules or administrative controls, and the personal protective equipment required for tasks

1.2 Scope of Responsibilities

Program Overview



Senior Management (Assistant Vice Chancellor/Directors/Associate Directors):

- *Provide leadership and financial direction for the Safety & Health Program*
- *Provide leadership and financial support to the safety program and safety committees*
- *Promote safety training and a "Safety First!" attitude in all appropriate meetings*
- *Review results of Safety Program*
- *Review safety policies when requested by the DM-Plus Group*

Middle Management (DM-Plus Group) -- Superintendents/Assistant Superintendents/Managers/Assistant Managers:

- *Provide leadership and financial support to the Safety & Health Program*
- *Promote the concept of "safety first" and safety training in all departmental meetings*
- *Ensure that employees attend appropriate safety training*
- *Ensure that regular safety meetings are conducted at all department levels.*
- *Recommend safety training and/or safety policy to C.F. Safety Committee*
- *Enforce safety policies*
- *Review all accidents*
- *Approve safety policy*

Supervisors

- *Conduct a new-employee safety orientation*
- *Instruct subordinates in safety procedures and encourage safe work performance*
- *Maintain all safety equipment in proper working order*
- *Understand safety equipment functions, including equipment used by sub-contractors*
- *Encourage employee safety suggestions*
- *Attend accident investigations of all supervisees*
- *Seek assistance of CF's Safety Coordinator in evaluating safety hazards*
- *Secure work zones from pedestrian traffic*
- *Provide "on site" safety job briefings*
- *Counsel and discipline, as necessary, for infractions of safety policies*
- *Arrange for medical treatment and complete "report of injury" form when necessary*

Crew Leaders

- *Secure the workplace from pedestrian traffic*
- *Perform "on site" job-safety briefings*
- *Correct all immediate or potential hazards*
- *Follow all safety rules*

General Workforce

- *Work only within the scope of one's expertise or training*
- *Be aware of all safety instructions before beginning a task*
- *Follow all safety rules and safe-work practices*
- *Report unsafe conditions or equipment*
- *Report accidents and injuries to your supervisor*
- *Report all "near miss" incidents*

C.F. Safety Coordinator

- Provide monthly accident and Worker Compensation information to C.F. Directors
- Oversee the Campus Facilities Safety Program
- Conduct safety training
- Coordinate departmental safety training with safety needs
- Assist departments in providing specialized, expert safety training
- Oversee department safety committees
- Perform safety and accident investigations
- Oversee activities of department safety representatives
- Coordinate Campus Facilities safety personnel
- Attend Campus Facilities monthly meetings
- Inform, coordinate and assist departments re safety needs, concerns and ideas
- Provide safety information:
- Provide departments with Website support
- Oversee and update the safety manual
- Provide safety alerts
- Develop and oversee policy and safety rule interpretations
- Work with Environmental Health Services when necessary
- Assist or conduct audits and inspections
- Supply expertise in controlling and eliminating hazards
- Maintain required records

1.3 Safety Committees

Definition

A safety committee is a body of select C.F. employees delegated to consider, investigate, act on or report on matters and issues of worker safety, and to communicate on the same to the management of Campus Facilities. Safety Standards Committee members review safety-training needs, draft policy and standards, develop work rules and oversee the safety manual; CF's DM-Plus Committee members, suggest, approve and enforce safety policies; and Safety Steering Committee members review accidents, perform safety audits and oversee safety meetings within their respective units.

The Safety Coordinator and an exempt and non-exempt employee of each CF department sit on the C.F. Safety Steering and the C.F. Safety Standards committees. These same exempt and non-exempt employees may serve simultaneously on both committees.

Standards Committee

- *Assist management in creating policy.*
- *Supply information for review to the Directors-Plus Group*
- *Suggest safety rules, standards, and regulations for use in the Campus Facilities Safety Manual and for training*
- *Review campus safety policies (e.g. OSHA, ANSI, NSC, CDC, University of Missouri), and complete one or two within 30-45 days.*
- *Set deadlines for completing remaining policies, e.g. personal protective equipment, eyewear, workplace safety.*

Safety Steering Committee

- Represent all departments
- Review C.F. accident reviews
- Suggest safety measures to CF's DM-Plus Group
- Review "near miss" reports and other safety issues and suggest related safety action
- Perform accident reviews in committee member areas
- Clarify interactive policy for CF workforce, safety coordinator and management
- Perform safety audits
- Correct and track unsafe working conditions
- Oversee weekly/monthly department safety meetings
- Ensure that safety coordinator receives paperwork for safety meeting rosters

DM-Plus Management Group

- Approves safety policies, rules and procedures
- Suggests policy changes
- Reviews departmental accident investigations
- Manages risks on the basis of work practices, resources and financial feasibility
- Coordinates with C.F. Safety Committee
- Determines consequences for infractions of safety rules

Departmental Safety Committees

- Audit and inspect Safety & Health Program activities within the department.
- Determine the effectiveness of safety efforts via department records and reports and develop recommendations
- Conduct, review and analyze department accident and property-loss reports to determine:
 - completeness and accuracy (recommend follow-up investigation, if necessary)
 - accident patterns or trends
 - recommended corrective action
- Review for needed changes all department safety and property inspection reports and analyses, and employee safety suggestions

- *Assist the C.F. Safety Steering Committee in developing safety and property-inspection procedures and, when requested, assist department personnel with safety inspections*
- *Inform departmental managers of progress with both the Safety & Health Program and employee safety records*
- *Assist in developing departmental data with which to determine safety needs*
- *Identify and suggest corrective action for unsafe work practices and conditions*
- *Ensure that CF employees and visitors are informed of all health- and safety-related matters*
- *Maintain open channels of communication on matters of health and safety*
- *Provide means by which employees may advise managers on matters of safety (See Safety Suggestion Form in Appendix 1)*

1.4 Safety Meetings

Safety Meeting Policy

Safety meetings should be brief and to the point. Utilize the “K.I.S.S.” rule: Keep It Short & Simple. Quick 15- to 20-minute meetings are most effective. Topics should concern only vital matters, i.e., accidents, hazards, unsafe working conditions, etc., but may involve issues that are normally addressed by departmental managers or safety committees, such as tools, equipment or machinery,. Safety training, which requires careful planning, practice and expertise, should never be conducted in safety meetings.

Daily Worksite Safety Meetings

The purpose of a daily worksite safety meeting or worksite job briefing is to check out the day’s work plan and, ON A DAILY BASIS, assess and correct safety hazards, address safety issues, and determine that everyone, that day, understands the task at hand.

Weekly Safety Meetings

Weekly meetings allow supervisors and crews to discuss safety concerns and other workplace topics of interest and to correct unsafe conditions (See CF Weekly Safety Meeting, Form ST53 Appendix 1.)

Monthly Departmental Safety Meetings

Monthly safety meetings allow the department committee members to discuss safety issues and coordinate safety procedures.

Part 2: Worksite Analysis and Hazard Control

Safe work practices shall be maintained in Campus Facilities by correcting unsafe performance through training, audits, and compliance documents and, if necessary, through a disciplinary system. Employees at all times are encouraged to recommend better safe-work practices.

2.0 Recognizing Workplace Hazards

Categories of Hazards

- **Imminently Harmful.** This hazard is to be reported to a manager or to the Safety Coordinator and corrected immediately. If the hazard cannot be eliminated

without endangering employees and/or property, employees are to vacate the area so the hazard can be corrected by trained personnel.

- **Serious, but not Immediately Harmful.** This hazard is to be reported immediately to a manager, area employees are to be notified, warnings posted, and the hazard eliminated within five days.
- **Potentially Hazardous.** This hazard is to be reported, area employees cautioned, warnings posted, and the potential hazard eliminated within 30 days. Equipment, substances, materials, procedures or processes shall be evaluated continually for their potential to create unsafe conditions.

Types of Hazards

Air hazards: *Common air hazards, in the form of particulate, gas or vapors, are:*

Dust: Solid particles formed by mechanical crushing, grinding, drilling, abrading or blasting processes

Fumes: Particles suspensions in a gas (Air)

Mists: Fine liquids suspended in the air. Usually caused by the breakup of a liquid, e.g., splashing, foaming, atomizing.

Fibers: Solid particles that are longer than they are wide.

Gases: Fluids without form that expand to occupy the space they are in, such as carbon monoxide from an internal combustion engine.

Vapors: Gases evaporating from substances that, at room temperature, are normally in a solid or liquid state, such as a solvent.

Chemical Hazards: *Harmful compounds in a solid, liquid, or gaseous state. Harmful when breathed, ingested, or absorbed through the skin. The degree of risk depends on the nature, potency and length of exposure. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) provide information on protection against such hazards.*

Biological Hazards: *Organisms that are ingested or enter the body directly through the skin and cause infections. Personal hygiene reduces risk, as does attention to minor cuts and scratches, especially on the hands and forearms.*

Ergonomic Hazards: *Physical problems due to excessive vibration, eye strain, repetitive motion, and heavy lifting resulting from performing poorly design job tasks.*

Physical Hazards: *Include improper tools, low overhangs and tripping hazards. Machine guards, electrical and falling hazards are also included in this category.*

Other Hazards *workers from other MU departments and non-workers*

2.1 Identifying Job-site Hazards

Survey the workplace to identify actual and potential hazards (See Job Hazard Analysis Form, Job Safety Analysis Form and Worksite Inspection Checklist, Appendix 1). Look for:

- *Overhead objects that might fall.*

- Exposed pipes or beams at work level.
- Exposed liquid chemicals.
- Sources of heat, intense light, noise, or dust.
- Flying particles produced from equipment or materials.
- Tripping/falling/slipping
- Housekeeping clutter (JOBSITE JUNK)
- In-place engineering and work-practice controls
- Unguarded machinery or tools
- Sources of electricity
- Heavy equipment in operation – trenchers, loaders, etc.

2.2 Conducting the Job-Site Safety Briefing

Employees must be aware of jobsite hazards. The person in charge of the operation is responsible for conducting the job briefing and pointing out jobsite hazards. Briefings should be conducted on the jobsite and in an area free of distractions:

- *Conduct the briefing in a jobsite area free of distractions.*
- *Explain the job at hand. Discuss the job in detail and then seek input from members of the crew, who may suggest a better way to do the job.*
- *Never assume that workers understand the job. Allow questions and clarify any misunderstanding. Discuss emergencies, medical treatment, special phone numbers and emergency contacts. Limit discussion to the job at hand. Make sure crew members understand the safety points and issues.*
- *Assign specific tasks to employees. Know the skill levels of employees with whom you work. Are they qualified? Have they performed this task before? What can and can't they do? Do they need a partner? Should they work with a journeyman?*
- *Everyone must know his or her assignment. Emphasize that others cannot be relied on to know their needs and that there is no shame in admitting they have not mastered or do not fully understand certain aspects of the job. Co-workers would rather have the person seek help than risk injury to self or others.*
- *Perform a hazard-assessment procedure to identify actual or potential hazards. Look for actual or potential hazards. Anticipate hazards that might occur. Will the job itself create hazards? Can the job be done differently? Can hazards be reduced or eliminated? Ask for input. No individual can be aware of all hazards all of the time.*
- *Identify the need for personal protective equipment. Ensure that everyone follows safety rules and safe work practices, including PPE and Lockout-Tag-Out safety procedures.*
- *Know emergency medical procedures and locations of first-aid kits. Do team members know emergency medical procedures, emergency telephone numbers,*

Locations of first-aid kits, etc? (See Safety Suggestion Form, Appendix 1.)

- *Make sure that everyone knows the job assignment. Seek questions from crew members and search out points of confusion and overlooked hazards. Have members repeat instructions and procedures in their own words.*
- *The more complex the job, the more important it is to be understood fully.*
- *If the job-plan changes significantly, conduct another briefing.*

2.3 Personal Protective Equipment

With the exception of respiratory equipment required when dealing with spilled or released hazardous material, this section covers the general rules, training, selection, types and uses, fit, care and maintenance of Personal Protective Equipment required for all other workplace hazards. Applicable OSHA Standards are 1910, Subpart 1, Appendix B; and 1910.120, Appendix B, 132, 133, 136 and 138. Do not rely on PPE devices alone to protect against hazards. Use PPE in conjunction with other safeguards, controls and practices. (See PPE Needs Checklist, Appendix 1.)

General Rules

- PPE shall be of safe design and construction.
- Use only defect-free PPE.
- Employee-owned PPE must meet design and safety standards and be inspected and authorized for use by the supervisor in charge.
- Assess the workplace through the Hazard Assessment Method to determine the presence of actual or potential hazards and the need for PPE. If hazards are present, take the following action:
 - Select appropriate, properly fitting equipment
 - Inform the employee(s) of the equipment selected.
 - Instruct the employee(s) on using the PPE

PPE Training

Employees shall be trained in, and demonstrate an understanding of, the following before performing work requiring PPE:

- When to use PPE
- How to fit and wear PPE
- Limitations of PPE
- Proper care and maintenance, useful life, and disposal of PPE.

Certification of PPE training is required by OSHA and shall be accomplished using the Job Safety Checklist to verify that employees have received and understand required PPE training.

Selecting PPE

- Know the available types of PPE and the protection afforded, e.g., splash, impact protection, etc. (See Eyewear, CF Directive 208B; Protective Eye and Face Protector Recommendations/Selection Guide; PPE Needs Checklist; Gloves, Material Protection Afforded; Gloves Protection – Examples; Head

and Arm Protection, CF Directive 215; Welding Protection Recommendation – Appendix 1)

- Compare impact velocities, masses, projectile shape, radiation intensities, and other environmental hazards with the capabilities of available PPE.
- Select PPE that provides a greater-than-minimum level of protection
- Fitting PPE. Protective devices are available in a variety of sizes. Care should be taken to ensure that the right size is selected. Ill-fitting PPE will not afford necessary protection. Give careful consideration to comfort and fit. The wearer is more likely to continue wearing the device if it fits comfortably. Instruct users on the care, use and limitations of PPE.

- Maintain and adjust PPE so that it fits properly and comfortably. For eye protection, ensure that equipment is sealed to the face. Fit helmets so they will stay on during work operations. Chin straps that break at a reasonably low force to prevent strangulation may be necessary. Follow the manufacturer's instructions.

2.4 Protective Eyewear

Protective eyewear that conforms to standards of the American National Standards Institute is provided to employees at no cost and must be worn where eye hazards exist in the workplace. See your immediate supervisor for specific on-the-job rules and requirements. Always protect for the greatest hazards! (See Eyewear, Protective, CF Directive No. 208B; Eye and Face Protectors, Recommendations/Selection Guide; Eyewear, Prescription – Authorization/Order Form; Eyewear, Prescriptive – Optical Service Order Form Instructions; Eyewear, Protective – Employee Application)

Safety Glasses (with side shields). Safety glasses shall be equipped with side shields. Such glasses provide protection from projectiles, such as chips, sparks, or other flying particles. Safety glasses do not fit tightly against the skin and therefore do not provide protection from chemical splash, spills or high concentrations of gases, vapors, mists or dusts. *Wear when:*

- Transferring small quantities of non-corrosive liquids between containers
- The potential for electric arc or blast exists
- Performing automotive repair work
- Mowing lawns or trimming
- Chipping, grinding, sawing
- When recommended by the MSDS

Chemical-Splash Goggles. Goggles equipped with shielded, indirect vents (or no vents) that protect against projectiles, chemical splashes, mists, dusts and spills. This goggle does NOT protect against high concentrations of gases and vapors. These devices can be worn over most safety glasses, but must seal against the face. Goggles with direct venting or perforated sides are NOT approved for chemical splash and shall not be used for such purposes. *Wear when:*

- Mixing liquid chemicals or transferring such between containers.
- Working with ANY amount of corrosive substance, e.g. when jumping, filling or cleaning an acid-filled car battery.
- Human blood or other potentially infectious material may splatter or spray

- Recommended by MSDS

Safety Goggles: Impact-Protection Goggle, Particulate Goggle (Direct-Vent Goggle). Such devices protect from projectiles and other air-borne objects, including dust, and can be worn in place of, or over, safety glasses. They shall NOT be used in place of chemical goggles. *Wear when:*

- Engaging in activities where broken glass or other projectiles may result.
- Cutting grass or engaging in trimming operations.
- Chipping, grinding, sawing, machining or other power tool operations that might produce airborne projectiles – use the face shield over the goggles for additional protection in extreme situations)
- Falling particles or objects as in working above one's head or lying on one's back.

Specialized Eyewear with Shading Lenses. This eyewear has lenses of various colors that protect against light. Such lenses are combined in welding glasses, goggles, and helmets, and are also found in eyewear appropriate for use with lasers, as well as for sunglasses. Lenses will protect against UV hazards during welding and outside daylight work, and against spectral hazards associated with lasers. Wear when:

- Wavelength-specific protection is required when using lasers
- Wavelength specific protection required with the use of plasma cutters
- Welding
- Performing outdoor work in sunlight
- Working around extreme temperatures

Plastic Face Shield: A shield that shall be worn only over approved goggles or safety glasses for eye protection. NEVER wear face shields as primary eye protection. Wear when:

- Mixing or transferring liquid corrosive chemicals from one container to another, e.g. drain cleaners, battery acids
- Human blood or **POTENTIALLY** infectious material may be reasonably expected to splatter or spray.
- Chemical reactions may cause force or heat, e.g. battery acid.
- Sawing, chipping or grinding with power tools that create flying particles
- Recommended by the MSDS

Welding Glasses, Welding Goggles, Welding Helmets. These are devices that incorporate tinted lenses to protect the wearer from intense UV and visible light produced during welding. The degree of lens tint depends on the type of welding and intensity of light produced. Welding eyewear protects the eyes, face, and ears from radiant energy, flying sparks and weld material. This eyewear, however, does not protect against chemical splashes, high gas, or vapor concentration. Wear when welding, cutting, burning, or when helping with such operations. (See Welding Operation/Recommended Protection, Appendix 1.)

Contact Lenses. Current studies no difference in eye injuries among non-contact wearers and contact lens wearers. Even so, contacts should not be worn where dust, vapor, mist, fumes, radiant heat, molten metal, or chemicals exist. Excessive heat subjects the eyes to being burned; and materials trapped behind contact lenses irritate the eyes. When eye irritation or discomfort develops, contacts should be removed immediately. Many contact lens wearers elect to wear prescription safety glasses in the workplace. Contact lens wearers may obtain prescription safety eye glasses under MU's

prescription safety eyewear policy (See: Eyewear, Prescription – Authorization/Order Form; Eyewear, Prescriptive – Optical Service Order Form Instructions, Appendix 1.)

2.5 Protective Hand and Arm Equipment

Most hand and arm injuries can be classified under four main categories: 1) chemical burns, 2) heat burns, 3) cuts and 4) abrasions. Other types of hand and arm injuries result from harmful substances that can be absorbed into the skin; chemicals entering the bloodstream; irritating substances that may cause skin reactions; and punctures. Protective equipment conforming to ANSI/NFPA/NIOSH standards shall be worn wherever hand and arm hazards exist in the workplace and will be provided to employees at no cost. See your immediate supervisor for specific on-the-job rules and requirements. (See Hand and Arm Protection, CF Directive No. 215; Gloves, Materials – Protection Afforded; Gloves, Protection – Examples, Appendix 1).

Situations where hand and arm protection is needed:

- *Corrosive chemicals, such as drain cleaners or battery acids: when mixing or transferring between containers.*
- *Human blood: where contact with, or other potentially infectious materials may be expected.*
- *Chemical reactions, as in work with battery acid: where force and heat may result*
- *MSDS recommended*
- *Power tools, e.g. saws, chippers and grinders, power mowers, trimmers: when using*
- *Glass: where work activities may cause breakage .*
- *Machining*
- *Transfers of small quantities of non-corrosive liquids*
- *Electric arcs or blasts: when the potential exists*
- *Laser Use - Plasma cutters*
- *Welding Operations*

Note: In the above situations, glove materials and types include leather, welder's gloves, aluminum-backed gloves, and other types of insulating materials. (See Gloves, Materials – Protection Afforded and Gloves, Protection – Examples, Appendix 1.)

Gloves: Fit, Care and Maintenance

1. *Check gloves for cracks and punctures, especially between fingers and at the finger tips.*
2. *Keep gloves clean and dry.*
3. *Make sure gloves fit properly -- a small glove tires the hand; a large glove is clumsy.*
4. *Determine the glove needed to protect against particular chemicals.*
5. *Cover all cuts before you put on your gloves.*
6. *Promptly replace worn or damaged gloves*

2.6 Protective Equipment for the Head

Head protection – provided to employees at no cost -- must be worn when there is a

danger of:

- *Falling objects*
- *Exposed fixed objects, such as pipes or beams*
- *Exposed electrical conductors.*

In general, protective helmets (hard hats) should:

Resist penetration

Absorb the shock of a blow

Be water-resistant and fire resistant

Come with instructions explaining the adjustment and replacement of the suspension and headband.

Note: Hard hats possess a hard outer shell and a shock-absorbing lining. The lining should incorporate a head band and straps that suspend the shell from 1 to 1 ¼ inches from the user's head. This design provides shock-absorption during impact and ventilations during wear.

Industry Classification of Hard Hats:

Class A, General Service. Used mainly in mining, building construction, shipbuilding, lumbering, and manufacturing operations. Provides good impact protection but protection from electricity is limited.

Class B, Electrical Work. Protects against high-voltage shock, burns and falling objects.

Class C, Limited Protection. Designed for comfort, these lightweight helmets protect against fixed objects but not from falling objects or electric shock.

Labels indicating the manufacturer, ANSI standards and class designation should be affixed to the inside of all hard hats.

Caring for Hard Hats

Keep paint, paint thinners, and cleaning agents away from hard hats. They can weaken the hat's shell and may eliminate electrical resistance.

Limit the use of decals and stickers, which can hide signs of deterioration.

Keep hard hats from sustained sunlight and extreme heat, which can reduce the hat's strength.

Periodically clean hard hats by immersing them for one minute in hot, soapy water (approximately 140 degrees F, or 60 degrees C), followed by scrubbing and rinsing in clear hot water.

Discard Hard Hats When:

The hat's suspension system shows signs of cracking, tearing, or fraying

The suspension system no longer holds the shell from 1 inch to 1 1/4 inches from the employee's head.

The brim or shell is cracked, perforated, or deformed.

The brim or shell shows signs of exposure to heat, chemicals, ultraviolet light, or other radiation: Loss of surface gloss, chalking, or flaking (a sign of advanced deterioration).

2.7 Protective Equipment for Feet and Legs

Protective equipment designed to prevent injuries to the feet and legs -- or reduce the severity of such injuries -- and conforming to ANSI Z41-1999/OSHA 29 CFR, Part 1910.132/NFPA/NIOSH standards, shall be worn when required on the job and will be provided to employees at no cost. See your immediate supervisor for specific on-the-job rules and requirements. (See Footwear, Protective, Campus Facilities Directive No. 214B; Footwear, Protective Footwear – Procedures for Obtaining; Footwear, Protective – Voucher, MU/Campus Facilities, Appendix 1, regarding other types of footwear, and servicing, maintaining, replacing and purchasing safety footwear.)

Foot and Leg Hazards

*Heavy objects, e.g. tools, barrels, etc., that might fall or roll on one's feet
Sharp objects that might pierce the soles or uppers of ordinary shoes.*

Molten metal that might splash onto feet or legs.

Hot, cold or wet surfaces or conditions.

Slippery surfaces.

Explosive or hazardous atmospheres

Exposed electrical conductors or components.

Types of Foot and Leg Protection:

Safety Shoes: Protect against all of the above. Foundry shoes protect against molten metal. Shoe soles may be made of leather, and have a rubber or wooden core to protect against slipperiness, oil, heat, chemicals or electrical hazards. Toe guards or caps, which must be made of steel, aluminum or plastic and be integral to the shoe, protect the toes from impact and compression. Metatarsal guards, must be made of aluminum, steel fiber or plastic and be integral to the shoe, protect the instep area from impact and compression. Shoes must be sturdy and comply with ANSA standards.

Electrically Conductive Shoes protect against the buildup of static electricity in explosive atmospheres by essentially grounding the wearer. Such shoes must be worn in hazardous locations, such as manufacturing facilities or grain elevators where static electricity buildup on the body could spark and cause an explosion or fire. Wearers must be instructed not to use foot powder or wear socks made of silk, wool, or nylon with conductive shoes. Powder insulates and retards the conductive ability of the shoes, while silk, wool and nylon produce static electricity.

Note: Conductive shoes are not general-purpose shoes and must be removed after the task is completed. These shoes should never be worn where electrical hazards exist. Nonconductive shoes are required in such situations.

Electrically Non-conductive Shoes protect the wearer against open circuits of up to 600 volts in dry conditions in the workplace by preventing the worker's feet from completing an electrical circuit to the ground. These shoes should be used in conjunction with other insulating equipment to prevent a worker's body from providing a path for electrical energy.

Note: Non-conductive shoes should never be worn where explosive hazards exist. Electrically conductive shoes are required in such situations.

Repairs and Additions to Safety Footwear. Repairs (e.g. insoles) and additions (e.g. insoles that do not meet toe and foot clearances), shall meet ANSA standards and maintain the protective integrity of the footwear.

Foot-and-shin guards. Used in combination with toe guards when greater protection is needed.

Leggings. Protect the lower legs and feet from heat hazards, such as molten metal or welding sparks. Safety snaps allow leggings to be removed quickly.

Safety Shoes May Fail When:

Wet

The rubber sole is worn through

Metal particles become embedded in the sole or heel

Other parts of the employee's body come into contact with conductive, grounded items.

2.8 Accident Reporting and Investigating

Thorough reporting and investigation of accidents helps determine where accidents occur; how they occur; why they happen; and reveals accident trends. Areas can also be identified where safety training methods need to be improved or safety programs developed to help increase awareness of workplace hazards.

Administrative Duties

The reporting, investigation and processing of all injury reports, near-misses (where an injury was avoided) and exposures to toxic ingredients is, within the requirements of 29 CF 1904 and Worker's Compensation laws and regulations, the responsibility of the Campus Facilities Safety Coordinator and Personnel Director. This section prescribes methods and practices for reporting, investigating and dealing with workplace accidents via the Report of Injury form (See Appendix 1.)

Injury, Near-miss Incidents and Toxic Exposure Reporting

Injuries involving first aid and/or medical treatment, "near-miss" incidents, and exposure to toxic components must be reported to Campus Facilities Personnel within 24 hours via the Report of Injury Form or Near Miss Form (Appendix 1). In the event of injury, coworkers must call immediately for whatever assistance is necessary and report the matter to the injured person's supervisor who will arrange for the person's medical care.

Injuries Needing First-aid or Medical Treatment: *Supervisors complete, and forward to Campus Facilities Personnel, the top part of the Report of Injury form. The treating physician's statement is to be attached to the report.*

Injuries: Serious or Fatal: *A fatality, or injury or illness requiring hospitalization, shall be reported immediately to the Campus Facilities Safety Coordinator who shall verbally report the incident to Environmental Health and Safety Department personnel. The coordinator and EHS representative will then conduct a required formal investigation with the employee's supervisor and Departmental Safety Representative. Other matters needing investigation are*

patterns of accidents occurring over short spans of time, or any investigation deemed necessary by EH&S and the Safety Coordinator. Injury/Medical Issues.

Injuries Resulting in Lost Time: *The supervisor and Department Safety Committee Representative complete and forward to Campus Facilities Personnel a Report of Injury form.*

Note: *For Worker Compensation Information, see University Policy H.R. 409*

Accident Investigation Procedures

- *Conduct the accident investigation as soon as possible and at the scene of the injury.*
- *Obtain descriptions – in separate interviews – from the victim and witnesses.*
- *After the accident has been documented, question the victim about its cause.*
- *Remind the victim that the investigation is for locating the cause and determining corrective action to prevent its reoccurrence.*
- *Complete and, with the victim, review the accuracy of the Report of Injury Form.*

Functions of the Accident Investigation Report:

- *Track and report injuries on a monthly basis*
- *Track injuries by type; use; part of body affected; time of day injury occurs; and process involved*
- *Determine if injury is part of a trend*
- *Identify common equipment, materials, or environmental factors involved in accidents*
- *Managers and safety representatives discuss causes of and solutions to injuries*

Record Keeping

The C.F. Safety Coordinator is responsible for maintaining the following:

- *OSHA 200 log of injuries and illnesses*
- *Accident investigation reports*
- *Training records*

Training

Accident reporting and investigating has the potential to adversely affect employee behavior. Such procedures must be explained during new-employee orientation and at departmental meetings in order to maintain an on-the-job safety consciousness and cooperation.

Program Evaluation

Safety evaluations by CF's Safety and Personnel departments consist of:

- 1. Weekly tracking of accident reports and investigations*
- 2. Monthly reporting to a CF DM-Plus member*
- 3. Annual review by Directors and C.F. Safety Committee*

2.9 Housekeeping and Material Storage Procedures

Purpose

Proper housekeeping is critical to Campus Facilities' fire-prevention and accident-prevention programs. Attention to general cleanliness, storage and housekeeping, prevents numerous accidents. This section covers issues not discussed elsewhere and is not intended to cover all specific housekeeping requirements.

Management and Employee Responsibility

Employees share the responsibility for following established housekeeping procedures and practicing good housekeeping. As part of unit safety inspection procedures, managers, supervisors, the safety coordinator and safety committee members are responsible for monitoring housekeeping practices and promoting compliance with the Health & Safety Program in maintaining a safe working environment.

Tobacco (Smoking) Regulations

Smoking is prohibited inside buildings and within 50 feet of materials stored outside. Smoking is permitted before, after and during work breaks in designated outside break areas. To prevent fire and keep the grounds neat and orderly, dispose of all cigarette/cigar ashes and butts in butt cans or ash-trays.

General Rules for a Safe and Professional Environment:

Office Areas

- Keep all aisles, emergency exits, and fire extinguishers accessible at all times.*
- Maintain orderly storage areas. Store received supplies promptly.*
- Properly dispose of waste and Immediately clean up spills*
- Line all waste receptacles with a plastic trash bag to avoid direct contact while handling contents. Custodial Employees will use rubber gloves and compaction bar when handling wastes.*
- Keep file and desk drawers closed when unattended to avoid injuries. Open one drawer at a time to prevent tipping over file cabinets.*
- Turn off all lights and office equipment (area heaters, lamps, coffee-maker, computers, etc.) at the end of the business day to save energy and prevent fires. Unplug space heaters at the end of the day to be sure they are off.*

Shop Areas

- Keep all aisles, emergency exits, fire extinguishers, and eye-wash stations accessible at all times.*
- Clean up spills and immediately dispose of waste.*
- Report process leaks to supervision for immediate clean-up and repair.*
- Keep aisles and work floors clear of excessive debris and waste materials during shift operations, between breaks and at shift change. Employees are responsible*

for bringing slippery floors to the attention of supervision for immediate clean-up.

- Place all refuse and waste materials in appropriate waste containers.
- Sort pipe stock by size and store horizontally on racks. .
- Sort metal stock by size and store horizontally on racks. .
- Sort sheet metal stock and store vertically in racks.
- Sort and store all fittings, etc., by type and use in bins on shelves.
- Store all flammables in OSHA-approved fire cabinets and self-closing cans.

Surrounding Areas

- *Discard all trash in waste containers provided.*
- *Park only in the designated areas.*
- *Keep grounds mowed and trimmed and remove ice and snow prior to each day's operations.*

Rest Rooms, Locker Rooms & Break Areas

- *Be courteous to co-workers and clean up areas after use*
- *Do not bring flammable materials to, or store in, the workplace or lockers*
- *Do not store perishable food overnight in lockers or cafeterias.*
- *Line all waste receptacles with a plastic trash bag to avoid direct contact with contents while handling. Custodial and Special Services employees will use rubber gloves and compaction bar when handling waste.*
- *Place all refuse and waste materials in appropriate containers for disposal and recycling.*

Storing Material

Dry, raw materials, finished product flammables and compressed gases, require special storage procedures:

Storage and Store Room Areas

- *Stack materials no closer than 18 inches from walls or overhead sprinkler heads. A minimum side clearance of 3 feet side must be maintained around doorways and emergency exits. Passageways and aisles must be a minimum of 6 feet wide, be marked properly and free of all obstructions.*
- *Keep aisles and passageways clear of debris. Immediately clean up all spills.*
- *Display the maximum load capacity for all platforms and racks. Do not exceed this capacity.*

Flammable Storage

- *Store all flammable material inside in OSHA-approved flammable storage cabinets, or store outside at least 50 feet from any structure*
- *Fuels, solvents and other flammables (not stored in original shipping containers) will be stored in OSHA-approved, self-closing containers with flame arresters. Flammables may not be stored in open containers (open parts baths, etc.).*
- *Flammable storage areas will be kept dry and well-ventilated. Storage of combustible materials, open flames or exposed electrical components is prohibited.*

- *Flammable or combustible materials are prohibited in electrical rooms. Electrical rooms must at all times be kept clean and dry.*

Compressed Gas Storage-Safety

Receipt of Cylinder

- *Inspect bottle for defects and proper marking/labels*
- *Ensure stamped date on bottle has not expired*
- *Inspect valve assembly and adapter-thread area*
- *Ensure that MSDS is on file or with shipment*
- *Follow MSDS requirements for storage*

Storage of Cylinder

- *Keep cylinder cap secure when not in use.*
- *Mark cylinder with contents, and if empty/full.*
- *Store cylinder upright and secure to a stationary structure in a shaded, well-ventilated area.*
- *Store cylinders no closer than 50 feet to exposed electrical components or combustible materials.*
- *Protect cylinders from accidental rupture.*
- *Maintain a distance of at least 50 feet between cylinders of chemically reactive gases.*

Transporting Cylinder

- *Must be secured to a cart or cylinder trolley*
- *Cap securely fastened*

Using the Cylinder

- *Inspect valve adapter threads.*
- *Inspect all fasteners, hoses and regulators prior to hooking up to cylinder.*
- *Use only for approved purposes.*
- *Use in up-right position.*
- *Fasten cylinder to structure or cart.*
- *Regulators must be of same rated pressure as cylinder*
- *Keep cylinder valve shut when not in use; do not depend on regulators*

2.10 Emergencies (Under Development)

2.11 First Aid (Under Development)

2.12 Fire Prevention (Under Development)

2.13 Disciplinary Action (Under Development)

2.14 Record Keeping

(Under Development)

**2.15 Hazard Identification and Communication
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**2.16 MSDS Responsibilities
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Foreword

The safety and health of every Campus Facilities employee is of primary importance.

Our objective is to maintain a safety-and-health program that reduces workplace-related hazards, injuries, and illnesses. It is our policy to exercise all necessary precautions to protect employees from injuries and illnesses while at work. Our employees are not required to work at jobs that are unsafe or unhealthy without proper controls and protection.

This Employee Safety Manual is a collection of practices that can reduce or eliminate hazards, accidents and injuries. Many are based on studies by safety experts and industry specialists of workplace near-misses, injuries, and accidents.

The Manual covers most situations. Other topics and situations specific to your work are available from your supervisor. Always follow your department's safety requirements and work practices.

Our goal is to ensure your safety. By working together, we can achieve results that will benefit us all.

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Manual Overview

No Safety Manual can describe in detail all safe work practices necessary for the safety of our employees. We have tried to organize this manual as quick access to necessary information for employee safety and Safe Operating Procedures within Campus Facilities. Other more detailed information is available from your supervisor or the C.F. Safety Office if you feel you have questions that need further attention. This Manual is structured "General to Specific". The First section applies to most general operations. The second section will contain more specific operations and the third, Trade, Equipment, or Departmental safety that is specific to only those trades, equipment or Departments. Section Four will contain reference information. Weights and measures, wire sizes, strength tables, rigging information and various other information that is used in your work. The information found in sections two or three will be more in depth and shall always be followed when it applies. Section One shall never be used "instead of" the more restrictive sections. The safety and health of Campus Facilities employees is of the utmost importance. When our safety system fails, employees can be injured and equipment damaged. It is

with that in mind that this manual was created and will be regularly updated. If you have corrections before the scheduled update, forward the information to your supervisor or the C.F. Safety Department.

One final note, OSHA definitions are used throughout the manual. (Competent, qualified, trained etc.) Where the word "potential" is used the meaning is that the situation is "likely to occur".

General Safety Principles

100 Campus Facilities Safety Work Rules

- .01 **Safety of life outweighs all other considerations.**
- .02 **Work is never to be considered so important or urgent that the necessary steps cannot be taken to do it safely.**
- .03 **Campus Facilities provides a safe and healthy work environment for all employees.** Management is responsible to make sure that employees have the knowledge, skills, and equipment to perform jobs safely.
- .04 **Training and retraining are available** and required in many of our operations. If you feel you need training or retraining for any reason, contact your supervisor.
- .05 **Negligence, horseplay, recklessness, carelessness and unsafe work practices are not tolerated.**
- .06 **Employees are expected to challenge any carelessness or unsafe work practices.** Where unsafe conditions or actions exist outside of your control, seek assistance from a supervisor, your Director, the C.F. Safety Department, or the C.F. Personnel Director.
- .07 **Each employee is required and held accountable:**
 - To know, use and be familiar with all protection, tools, equipment and procedures required for a job. If there are no specific work rules for a task, equivalent levels of injury prevention are provided. Consult with your supervisor.
 - For his or her own safety
 - For all safe work practices in the performance of their job. This includes assisting and safeguarding others.
 - For correcting known or potential hazards.
 - To follow safety instruction from management regardless of department.
- .08 **No employee will:**
 - Use intoxicants or drugs while on duty;
 - Report for duty under the influence of intoxicants or drugs;
 - Be relieved by another employee known to be under the influence of intoxicants or drugs.
- .09 If an employee's physician has prescribed drugs or medication that limit the employee's ability to perform certain jobs, the employee will inform the supervisor of that fact prior to beginning work. In most cases, alternate work or other assistance is available.
- .10 Infractions, violations, and misunderstandings will be resolved in a number of ways, including training; retraining; counseling; coaching; and, if necessary, by the Campus Facilities Discipline Policy. (Consideration is given for employee time on the job and his or her skill level.)

101 Barricades, Barriers, Warning Signs

- .01 Heed all warning signs. Where hazardous conditions exist, use barricades, barriers and/or warning signs to warn employees and the public of the dangers.
- .02 Where hazardous conditions exist in a poorly illuminated area, or after dark, provide barriers or barricades and adequate lighting with flashing warning lights. The lights must be visible on all sides of the hazardous area.
- .03 Tag each barricade with information listing the responsible department; the phone number in case of questions or emergency; and the date the barricade was erected.
- .04 Use approved railings to guard stairways and open-sided floors. Install toe boards or other suitable means where falling tools or materials create hazards to others.

102 Batteries

Note: In containments with 60-volt bus and above – see Electrical Safety (Future)

- .01 Adequate ventilation is required in battery storage and battery-charging areas. Use forced ventilation where natural ventilation does not constantly change the air. The manufacturers' recommendations are the minimum standards used when charging batteries.
- .02 Make sure that required signs are posted and observed in all battery areas. Signs read "Danger—No Smoking, Open Flames or Ignition Sources".
- .03 Keep approved eye wash facilities available and located within 15 feet of the battery-charging area.

- .04 Where spillage can occur wear acid-proof gloves, aprons, chemical mono-goggles and face shields when handling, repairing, or testing batteries.
- .05 Prevent short-circuiting, generating a spark or ignition source when working on or near the batteries or when cleaning or making repairs.
- .06 When making up electrolyte for batteries, always pour the acid slowly into the water. **Water poured into acid can cause an explosion.**
- .07 If electrolyte is spilled on clothing, remove contaminated clothing and wash the skin with water (or use the eyewash solution) as soon as possible. Report the incident and seek medical attention is necessary.
- .08 Keep open flames, tools that can cause sparks, and other sources of ignition clear of the area during charging operations. (Not less than 15 feet)
- .09 When working in battery rooms, the battery charger must be turned OFF when possible. Adequately ventilate the room where sources of ignition exist.
- .10 Properly position battery-powered vehicles within the specified charging area. Turn the engine off, and set the brakes before beginning charging operations.
- .11 When charging batteries follow the manufacturer's specifications.
If Manufacturers specifications are not available perform the following:
Check and keep vent caps in place. Use safe practices to ensure that vent caps are functioning properly. Keep battery compartment covers opened while charging to dissipate heat and vapors.
- .12 Prevent grounding the case of a Ni-Cad cell. The case is part of an electrical circuit.
- .13 When removing a battery, the ground connection is the **first** connection removed. When installing a battery, the ground connection is **last** connection made.
- .14 When using jumpers to start vehicles with a dead battery connect the first jumper to the positive terminal of the dead battery, then to the positive terminal of the live battery. The other jumper is then connected first to the negative terminal of the live battery and then to a suitable ground and **not** the negative terminal of the dead battery.
- .15 Dispose of spent, dry batteries in an environmentally safe area with good ventilation away from ignition sources, outside shops, and employee workstations.
- .16 For additional information refer to manufacturers' product information and Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).

103 Bloodborne Pathogens

- .01 First aid providers and others who may reasonably anticipate having exposure to blood or other potentially infectious materials, are required to follow the procedures in the University of Missouri's Exposure Control Plan developed and updated by EH&S
- .02 Avoid direct contact with blood and bodily fluids. Whenever possible utilize a waterproof barrier (latex or plastic) between you and the wound or bodily fluids.
- .03 Dispose of all contaminated materials properly.
- .04 Practice universal precautions.
 - Containment
 - Clean-up
 - Disposal
 - Disinfecting
 - Hand washing
- .05 In case of an exposure, notify your supervisor and/or safety coordinator as soon as possible.

104 Chain Saws

- .01 Wear approved personal protective equipment when operating chain saws. (At a minimum, Hard Hat, gloves, safety glasses, face shield and hearing protection)
- .02 Make sure everyone is in the clear and the operator has good footing before using the saw.
- .03 Smoking or open flames are not permitted in the area during refueling. Stop the engine and allow it to cool before refueling. Minimum distance is 25 feet.
- .04 When standing in an aerial basket, place the saw on the edge of the basket to start.
- .05 Store saws in carrying cases or put the guard over the blade when not in use. Use saw holders when carrying saws in aerial baskets.

105 Clothing, Jewelry, and Accessories

- .01 When working around moving machinery or rotating parts the following are prohibited:
- Loose, dangling jewelry
 - Flapping clothing
 - Neckties
 - Unbuttoned cuffs
 - Loose or dangling shirttails. Keep the shirt tucked in to avoid getting caught.
- .02 When work is performed within reaching distance of exposed energized parts or equipment, remove or render nonconductive all exposed conductive articles unless they do not increase the hazards associated with contact of the energized parts.
- Key or watch chains
 - Rings,
 - Loose change or metallic objects
 - Wrist watches or bands
- .03 Make sure that rings and other jewelry items do not catch on fixed objects when moving from one elevation to another.
- .04 Wear a hair net or equivalent where hair length is a hazard around moving machinery, or a condition where straight or peripheral vision is impaired, which creates an unsafe condition.
- .05 Wear a long sleeve shirt buttoned or pulled down to the wrist where there is danger of injury to the arms such as cuts, abrasions, or thermal burns.
- .06 Clothing made from the following types of fabrics, either alone or in blends, is prohibited while working on energized circuits: acetate, nylon, polyester, and rayon
- NOTE:** The following will be included in the next revision
Where there is exposure to electric shock arc or flash hazards, affected employees shall wear approved fire retardant (FR) apparel.
- .07 Personal headsets and earphones are prohibited except by special arrangement while on the job. Any use of headsets and earphones must have prior approval of management. The noise level of the device shall not limit the employee being able to hear normal conversation or exceed 85 db.

106 Compressed Gas Cylinders

- .01 Store cylinders in designated areas and secure in an upright position. Keep empty and full cylinders separated. Store oxygen cylinders at least 20 feet from fuel gas cylinders or other combustible material, such as oil and grease, or separate them by an approved firewall.
- .02 Cylinders are not to be dropped, struck, rolled in the horizontal position or exposed to temperature extremes.
- .03 Use provided caps for valve protection except when regulators are attached to approved carts. Place the cap on the cylinder and hand-tighten. Never insert tools in the cap for the purpose of loosening or tightening the cap. When removing caps make sure that the valve assembly is not unscrewed along with the cap.
- .04 Keep oil and grease out of contact with torches, valves, regulators, gauges or fittings of oxygen cylinders.
- .05 Never release compressed gas from any cylinder without using a suitable regulator. **See exceptions in Section 2**
- .06 Keep sparks or flames away from cylinders or hoses. Signs reading “Danger—No Smoking, Open Flames or Ignition Sources” are required in rooms or at entrances to areas where fuel gas is stored or used.
- .07 Secure cylinders in use to a special cart or to a stationary object such as a handrail or column.
- .08 Unless secured in a special cart or truck, secure cylinders in the upright position with regulator removed and valve caps in place while being transported.

107 Confined Spaces

- .01 Follow the procedures outlined in the Permit-Required Confined Spaces Program as well as the specific entry procedures for the location involved.

108 Cranes and Hoists

- .01 Only qualified personnel are permitted to operate cranes and hoists.
- .02 Wear a hard hat when working in the immediate area around a crane.

- .03 The operator takes all signals from the designated signal person. Should it be apparent that obeying a signal would result in an injury, the operator will not proceed but will notify the signal person at once. A STOP signal shall be obeyed regardless of who gives the signal.
- .04 Stay within the rated capacity and load limits of the equipment.
- .05 Check all clearances before raising or lowering a load.
- .06 Exercise extreme caution when working in the vicinity of a mobile crane that is operating near exposed energized equipment.
- .07 If the mobile crane accidentally makes contact with energized equipment:
 - Do not approach the crane until the contact is broken or the equipment is known to be de-energized.
 - If it becomes necessary for the operator to leave the crane, jump clear rather than step down.
- .08 If an overhead crane or hoist loses power, secure it until the power is restored. Turn the controls to the OFF position and lock out if necessary.

109 Ergonomics

- .01 Arrange workstations and/or work areas to accommodate a full range of required movements.
- .02 Ensure that all machine controls are reachable and easily accessible prior to operation.
- .03 Ensure that lighting is adequate to perform task activities.
- .04 Ensure that adequate space is available to allow safe lifting of loads using both hands, while facing the load.
- .05 Arrange workspaces and areas to avoid the need for carrying objects overhead and for overreaching.
- .06 Tools should be selected for ergonomic features.
- .07 Use vibration dampening products on vibratory type tools and equipment where applicable.
- .08 Plan work activities to reduce or eliminate repeated manual lifting where possible.
- .09 Position computer display screen slightly below eye level and avoid glare on the screen.
- .10 Adjust work surfaces and space to comfortably perform work tasks.
- .11 Adjust keyboard position to ensure proper position, angle, and comfort.
- .12 Take rest pauses as necessary to relieve or delay fatigue.
- .13 Sit upright to avoid straining neck and back.
- .14 Use a footrest if feet don't rest comfortably on the floor.
- .15 Shift sitting position frequently to relax away tension.
- .16 Blink frequently. Make a conscious effort of it so your eyes won't get dry.

110 Eye Protection

- .01 Wear only approved (meeting ANSI Z-87.1, or most current) eye protection that is in good condition.
- .02 Wear eye protection equipment:
 - On jobs or in areas where hard hats are required,
 - In all designated eye protection areas,
 - On all jobs where it has been specified that eye protection is required.
 - At any time a hazardous condition exists.
- .03 Standard eye protection is safety glasses with side shields.
 - * Additional or specialized eye protection is worn as required by the job.
- .04 Contact lenses should not be worn with full-face respirators or when handling acids and caustics. *
 - Note: Contact lenses tend to trap contaminants under or behind the contact lenses. This does not allow for the eye to cleanse itself and can cause the eye to get irritated, damaged, develop ulcers, etc. Employees who wear contact lenses should understand the cautions and potential hazards while wearing them. It is always a good idea to carry regular prescription glasses in addition to contact lenses.

111 Fall Protection

- .01 Fall protection is required on all work above six feet unless on an approved work platform, a guardrail system or a safety net system is in place. (Does not apply to step ladders.)
- .02 Where the working height is six feet and above, employees must be formally instructed in fall protection procedures before using equipment or setting up a job.

112 Fire Prevention

- .01 Obey “No Smoking” signs. Do not use open flames or spark-producing tools in areas where flammable or combustible liquids, gases, dusts, mist or fumes may exist, are present or being stored. When working in these areas, use proper precautions in accordance with specific procedures.
- .02 Recognize and eliminate fire hazards. If an employee has no control over the hazard, report it to the person in charge or the supervisor.
- .03 Know what action to take in case of fire, including whom to notify; where and how to sound available alarms; and what fire fighting equipment to use.
- .04 Tag and remove Fire extinguishers that have been discharged, even partially. Replace the discharged extinguisher with a fully charged unit immediately. If this is not practice, notify your supervisor.
- .05 Keep:
 - Exit routes clear of all obstructions at all times.
 - Designated fire protection equipment in fire stations and use it only for purposes of fire fighting or drills.
 - Accesses to fire extinguishers and other fire protection equipment unobstructed.
 - All extinguishers at designated locations on a hanger or in a cabinet when not in use.
 - Oily paper, oily rags and other combustible materials in metal containers with self- closing lids or self-extinguishing lids. Environmental Health and Safety supplies and collects containers.

113 Flammable and Combustible Liquids and Gases

- .01 Obey all “No Smoking” signs. No open flames or spark-producing tools or equipment are allowed where flammable or combustible liquids and gases are stored or transferred. When working in these areas the minimum safe distance requirement is 25 feet. Use non-sparking tools or other proper precautions in accordance with specific procedures when a safe working distance cannot be maintained.
- .02 Flammable and combustible liquids and gases are kept and transported only in approved and labeled containers showing the contents. Containers being transported must be properly secured.
- .03 Flammable liquids shall be marked and the contents clearly identified.
- .04 Dispose of flammable hazard or combustible waste liquid in approved waste containers. Waste is never to be emptied into any drain. Environmental Health and Safety supplies and collects containers.
- .05 Store combustible waste materials, such as oil or paint-soaked rags, in covered metal containers and dispose of daily. Environmental Health and Safety supplies and collects containers. NOTE: Waste is considered anything not reused.
- .06 When pouring flammable liquid from one metal container to another, or in filling gasoline tanks, metal-to-metal maintain contact between the two containers or between the hose nozzle and the tank to prevent static buildup.
- .07 Equip dispensing drums with self-closing spigots. Pipe connections on all drums and piped flammable liquids must be vapor and liquid-tight.
- .08 Repair or remove from service, leaking hoses and nozzles.
- .09 Bond bulk containers used to dispense flammable liquids into another container to the receiving vessel and to ground to prevent static spark.
- .10 Contain all spills of gasoline, oil or other flammable liquids if possible and contact EH&S immediately.
- .11 Keep the cutoff switch for electric pumps used to dispense flammable liquids clearly identified and easily accessible.
- .12 Place containers on the ground when filling with flammable liquid instead of in the back of a truck with a bed liner to prevent static buildup.
- .13 Use of any electronic equipment while fueling, which has the potential to arc or spark is prohibited. Turn the device off prior to fueling.

114 Foot Protection

- .01 All employees who are exposed to foot hazards, such as falling, dropped, rolled or pivoted heavy loads or objects must wear safety shoes or boots (meeting ANSI Z-41.1) with steel toe/composite toe caps and non-slip soles.
- .02 Additional foot protection may be required any time the job being performed creates additional hazards of foot injury, such as using a jackhammer or pavement breaker or in areas where work creates slipping hazards.
- .03 Wear footwear that is in good repair and appropriate to the job.
- .04 Where special hazards exist, high-top shoes or boots or puncture-resistant soles may be required.
- .05 Wear close fitting high-top shoes or boots when welding and cutting.
- .06 Wear leggings when welding with low-quarter footwear. High-top shoes may be worn instead of leggings as long as the tops of the shoes are close-fitting and covered by the pants leg when welding.

115 Forklift Operations

- .01 Only trained and qualified personnel are permitted to operate a forklift. Operation of the forklift is in accordance with manufacturers' safe operating instructions and C.F. Powered Industrial Truck Procedures.
- .02 Wear hardhats and safety glasses at all times when operating a forklift in a designated hardhat area or when exposed to overhead hazards. Hardhats are also worn when using a forklift to lift a load when the top of the load being lifted is higher than cab protection of the forklift.
- .03 Passengers are not allowed to ride a forklift unless an approved passenger seat is provided. No one shall be permitted to ride the load at any time.
- .04 Only approved platforms are used as worker lifts. The platform must be properly secured to the mast or forks, with guards in place to prevent hands or materials from passing into the mast area.
- .05 When working from a platform, secure fall protection to the fork-tine carriage and not to the platform or workbasket.
- .06 The forklift operator must always be present in the vehicle while an occupied work platform/basket is elevated.
- .07 All persons are to stay to the outside of a forklift with elevated forks whether loaded or empty.

116 Gas Service

Note: This section applies to propane or natural gas systems.

- .01 Check for hazardous conditions, such as tripping hazards or other potentially dangerous conditions, and wear appropriate PPE.
- .02 Smoking and open flames are prohibited when working on gas service installations.
- .03 Visually inspect the gas service installation for hazards prior to beginning work.
- .04 Perform gas service reconnects and disconnects according to established procedures.
- .05 Apply electrical bonding jumper straps during all gas service disconnects.
- .06 Use approved thermal gloves for cold protection in LPG Fueling operations.

117 Golf Carts

- .01 Comply with all traffic signs and directions; wear seatbelts where provided.
- .02 Drive the vehicle only as fast as terrain and safety considerations allow. Consider existing traffic conditions.
- .03 Avoid sudden stops or change of direction as they may result in a loss of control.
- .04 Travel directly up or down hills. If you must travel across an incline as a last resort slow down and use extra care.
- .05 Keep feet, legs, hands and arms inside the vehicle at all times.
- .06 Check the area behind the vehicle before backing up.
- .07 Capacities are limited to two occupants per seat unless otherwise stated on the nameplate or in the operating manual.
- .08 Balance and secure loads before driving. Stay within the weight limits of the cart. Keep items within the width of the cart.
- .09 Drive carts only on Campus Facilities work areas. Do not drive in heavy traffic areas except for the purpose of crossing through an intersection.

Battery Charging See Section 102

In Addition to section 102:

- .10 Wear eye protection when working with the battery. Use extra care when working around the battery and charging equipment.
- .11 Perform charging operations on acid-proof surfaces.
- .12 Inspect the charger AC and DC plugs for loose, bent, arced or dirty contacts. Inspect the vehicle receptacle for loose wires or damage. Tag out-of-service any damaged cords or parts.
- .13 Insert plug fully into receptacle and check that the connection is tight.
- .14 Position cords to prevent them from:
 - Being pulled or snagged
 - Being driven over
 - Creating a hazard to personnel working in the area.
- .15 When connecting or disconnecting the charger to a vehicle, always make sure that the charger has completed its charge and is OFF (ammeter indicates 0 amps).
- .16 Unplug chargers from the power source before disconnecting the golf cart.

118 Hand Protection

- .01 Wear approved work gloves when handling sharp, rough, cold or heated materials or when the use of gloves will prevent hand injuries.
- .02 Wear work gloves in good condition, free from holes and fraying.
- .03 Wear "Special" gloves approved for use in handling acids, caustics or other potentially injurious substances when working with these materials. Conduct a safety check on the gloves prior to use.
- .04 Except when using wire brush wheels, do not wear gloves when there is danger of their being caught in moving machinery or rotating parts.
- .05 Glove protectors are not worn in place of work gloves.
- .06 Wear approved thermal gloves for cold protection in LPG Fueling operations.
- .07 Wear rubber insulated gloves above 240 VAC or when working on or near exposed energized equipment or lines or equipment where the potential exists for contact.
- .08 Wear rubber insulated gloves that are within the dielectric test period.
- .09 Examine and safety check rubber insulated gloves prior to each use.
- .10 Rubber insulated gloves require glove protectors.

119 Hand Tools

- .01 Use UL-approved tools and keep them maintained in good condition. Tools are subject to inspection at any time.
- .02 Tag any unsafe tools/equipment "Out of Service" to prevent their use. Report it to the supervisor in charge. Supervisors will dispose of them or have them repaired.
 - Specifically Remove from service:
 - Impact tools (chisels, punches, drift pins and hammers) that are worn, mushroomed or cracked.
 - Wrenches with sprung or damaged jaws.
- .03 Tools Tagged "Out of Service" will not be used for any reason.
- .04 Use tools for their designed purpose only.
- .05 When working on or near energized conductors or equipment use only:
 - Hammers without metal handles
 - Screwdrivers without metal continuing through the handle
 - Non-metallic measuring tapes.
- .06 Place tools that must be raised or lowered from one elevation to another in a tool bucket or firmly attach to hand lines. Throwing tools from place to place or from person to person is unacceptable.
- .07 Secure tools on scaffolds, platforms or other elevated places where their falling could endanger employees below.
- .08 Keep sharp-edged tools sharpened.
- .09 Use hand tools in such a way as to prevent injury in case of a slip.
- .10 Use suitable holders or tongs (NOT hands) when chisels, drills, punches, ground rods and pipe are being struck by another employee.
- .11 When using adjustable wrenches, pull so force is applied to the side of the fixed jaw.
- .12 For added leverage use approved extensions.
- .13 Only strike wrenches designed for that purpose.
- .14 Handle and store tools with sharp edges so they will not cause injury. Avoid carrying tools in pockets. Keep all cutting tools properly guarded.
- .15 Replace loose, cracked or splintered tool handles. Keep handles clean and free from oil and grease.
- .16 When working on or above open grating, cover the grating to prevent tools or parts from dropping to a lower level, or barricade/guard the danger area below.
- .17 The insulation on non-rated hand tools shall not be depended upon to protect users from electric shock.
- .18 Handles and/or leather gloves are required with files and rasps. Files and rasps are not to be struck or used as a pry.

120 Hazardous Materials

- .01 Read and understand the Hazard Communication Program to include Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) and product warning labels for the products and substances with which you are working.
- .02 Use hazardous materials, chemicals and products approved by evaluation through the Chemical Safety Program. (EH&S)
- .03 Only qualified and authorized employees are required to handle hazardous materials.
- .04 Appropriate personal protective equipment as defined in the MSDS shall be worn to reduce exposure to injury and other risks.

- .05 Practice good personal hygiene to reduce exposure to hazardous substances.
- .06 Consult with a supervisor, C.F. Safety or EH&S if you have any questions about working safely with hazardous substances.

Hazardous Material Spills

- .07 Any identified or unfamiliar hazardous material spill or leak should immediately be reported to the supervisor and EH&S and handled according to approved procedures.
- .08 Only those employees who meet all safety and occupational health requirements shall gain access. Efforts shall be made to secure the area to only those persons.
- .09 After hours contact University Police.

121 Head Protection

- .01 Only approved hard hats or caps (meeting ANSI Z - 89.1) are worn.
- .02 Hard hats with a high dielectric strength are required for operations where high voltage exists.
- .03 Hard hats that have had impact or penetration even with no visible damage must be immediately replaced as should hard hats that show wear or have exceeded their useful service life.
- .04 All decals must have manufacturer-approved adhesive. Department management is responsible for documenting manufacturer approval.
- .05 Head protection is worn by employees and non-employees under the following conditions:
 - In designated hard hat areas
 - On a power plant site
 - By all operating personnel in the field where falling objects or other head hazards exist
 - By those who are subject to falling objects or other hazards in shops and storerooms and other work areas
 - At any other work area where there is a danger of head injury and falling objects
- .06 Keep hard hats clean. When cleaning them use only mild non-solvent cleaners. Inspect hard hat at least once a day prior to use. Replace those found to be defective.

122 Hearing Protection

- .01 Approved hearing protection shall be worn when employees are working in an area designated as requiring protection.
- .02 Employees who normally work in areas where Hearing Protection Required signs are posted participate in the hearing conservation program and have regular audiometric evaluations.
- .03 Approved hearing protection is recommended for use in noisy work areas even if the Time Weighted Average is within limits.
- .04 Employees required to wear hearing protection shall be trained and shall comply with the proper use, limitation and care of the protectors.
- .05 Permissible Noise Exposures

Duration Per Day (hours)	Sound Level (dBA) *
8	90
6	92
4	95
3	97
2	100
1½	102
1	105
½	110
¼ or less	115

**NOTE: Proper protection will be worn when exposed at or above these levels.*

- .06 Supervisors of high noise-producing areas are responsible for employee compliance in their areas.
- .07 Employees who are not included in the C.F. Hearing Conservation audiometric testing program must notify their supervisor when working in high noise-producing areas. The employee's supervisor and the supervisor in charge of the high noise area (if they are different) will assist in specific hearing protection requirements.

123 High Heat Environments

- .01 Employees who work in high heat environments follow all the provisions of the Heat Stress Program.
- .02 Drink plenty of water and take regular breaks when working in high heat environments.
- .03 Take extra precautions to prevent sunburn and heat stress when working in the direct sun.

124 Housekeeping

- .01 Employees are responsible for maintaining a clean and orderly work place, whether on Campus Facilities property, in vehicles, or at a job site.
- .02 Place tools and materials so they do not create a tripping hazard. Keep aisles, passageways and stairs clear.
- .03 Pick up and dispose of scrap materials and debris promptly.
- .04 Remove or flatten protruding nails from boards.
- .05 Vacuuming is the preferred method for dusty clean-up conditions.

Note: Coal dust vacuuming can cause static electricity buildup. Proper methods and procedures will be followed.

- .06 Dispose of trash and debris in an approved environmentally safe manner.
- .07 Leave the work area clean.

125 Indoor Air Quality

- .01 Comply with smoke-free workplace guidelines.
- .02 Review MSDS on all products and materials to identify those that should be used cautiously when applied indoors.
- .03 Maintain adequate ventilation when work tasks such as cleaning, etc., may create potential airborne irritants.
- .04 Minimize dust and particulates. Follow housekeeping procedures. Avoid exposure through restricted use of aerosols, solvents or other vapor producing products. If exposure cannot be avoided, use respiratory equipment if you are approved to wear it, or contact your supervisor.
- .05 Report unusual conditions or concerns to supervisor.

126 Job Planning – Job Briefing

- .01 The employee in charge is required to conduct a job briefing at the job site before work begins.
- .02 The briefing covers at least the following subjects: hazards associated with the job, work procedures involved, special precautions, energy source controls, and PPE requirements and emergency procedures. The person in charge ensures that each member of the crew understands the instructions.
- .03 If the work or operations to be performed during the work day or shift are repetitive and similar, at least one job briefing will be conducted before the start of the first job of each day or shift. Additional job briefings are held if significant changes, which might affect the safety of the employees, occur during the course of the work.
- .04 A brief discussion is satisfactory if the work involved is routine and if the employee, by virtue of training and experience, can reasonably be expected to recognize and avoid the hazards involved in the job. A more extensive discussion is conducted: if the work is complicated or particularly hazardous, or if the employee cannot be expected to recognize and avoid the hazards involved in the job.
- .05 An employee working alone need not conduct a job briefing. However, the employee will ensure that the tasks to be performed are planned as if a briefing were required.
- .06 The person in charge is responsible for the accounting of all employees upon the completion of each job.

127 Ladders

- .01 Only approved ladders will be used. Follow manufacturers' weight limits and instructions label affixed to the ladder.
- .02 Visually inspect ladders before use. To prevent broken ladders from being used, tag "Out of Service" and remove ladders that have loose rungs, cracked or split side rails, missing pads, or are otherwise damaged. The supervisor in charge will have them repaired according to the manufacturer or disposed of properly.
- .03 Keep ladder rungs clean and free of grease and other buildup such as dirt or mud.
- .04 When climbing up or down face the ladder, use both hands and take one-step or rung at a time.
- .05 Raise or lower tools by using tool belts; tool buckets and lines, or securely attaching them to hand lines.
- .06 Only one employee at a time is permitted on a ladder. Exception for rescue efforts or transmission work, or where the ladder is designed for more than one employee.

- .07 Avoid overreaching. Keep your belt buckle between the rails as a guide and when necessary reposition the ladder as the work progresses.
- .08 Use only approved extension ladders. Two ladders are never lashed together to make a longer one.
- .09 When using straight or extension ladders, employees will not climb past the third rung from top.
- .10 Ensure that both latches of an extension ladder are seated properly. The minimum overlap for extension ladders is three feet.
- .11 Tie off extension and straight ladders at the top, and bottom, to a substantial support whenever practical. Under certain conditions it may be necessary for another employee to hold the ladder to prevent falling or slipping.
- .12 Place the ladder at a proper angle, with the base set out one foot for every four feet of ladder length.
- .13 Wear an approved safety harness as a positioning device when the job requires the use of both hands while working from an extension or straight ladder.
- .14 If an employee is required to transfer from a ladder to a landing, the side rails shall extend at least three feet above the landing.
- .15 Stand below the top step when using a stepladder. Never stand on the top step of a stepladder.
- .16 A stepladder will not be used as a substitute for a straight ladder. Chairs or other equipment are not acceptable substitutes for ladders.
- .17 Make sure the spreaders are fully extended and locked before climbing a step or platform ladder.
- .18 Climb the steps of a stepladder, not the support rungs.
- .19 Before using a platform ladder check it to determine that the locking mechanism is functioning properly.
- .20 Make certain that sections are properly locked together when assembling stack ladders. Assembled stack ladders are limited to three sections.
- .21 Ladders will not be painted, except for non-skid paint applied to steps or rungs.
- .22 Portable metal ladders and other portable conductive ladders are not used near exposed energized lines or equipment on rooftops or where tools or equipment could contact electricity.
- .23 Before moving, employees must be off of rolling ladders or scaffolds.
- .24 When possible store ladders in a horizontal position.
- .25 Ladders must not be left unattended in public areas. Ladders not in use must be secured so that an unauthorized person cannot climb them or that it is not climbed by mistake by another employee.

128 Lifting and Carrying

- .01 Size up the load before lifting, and use correct procedures and techniques.
- .02 When lifting, carrying or lowering objects, use approved methods. Use mechanical aids whenever possible.
- .03 Request assistance when lifting a heavy or clumsy load.
- .04 Approved methods include straight posture, lifting using leg muscles, good footing, and avoiding over-extending and twisting.
- .05 Carry loads in such a way as to permit a clear view of the path to be followed.
- .06 When two or more employees are required to lift or pull together as a team, coordinate the lift. Decide upon one employee to give the signals for the group.
- .07 When carrying pipes, conduit or other long objects, use special care when rounding corners and entering doorways.
- .08 Carry long loads with the front of the load slightly higher than the back of the load to avoid contacting overhead objects.

129 Lighting

- .01 Where natural illumination is not adequate use artificial lighting. Do not use open flames for purposes of illumination.
- .02 Protect temporary lighting (except battery-powered) with approved guards.
- .03 Use equipment approved for hazardous locations in areas where flammable or combustible vapors, gases, liquids, dust or fibers may be present.

130 Live-Line Tools

- .01 Use a silicone wiping cloth on live-line tools. Wipe clean and visually inspect for defects before use each day.
- .02 If any defect or contamination that could adversely affect the insulating qualities or mechanical integrity of the live-line tool is present after wiping, remove the tool from service. It must be examined and tested before reuse.
- .03 Live-line tools used for primary employee protection shall be removed from service every year (12 mos.) for examination, cleaning, repair, and testing as follows:
 - Each tool shall be thoroughly examined for defects.
 - If a defect or contamination that could adversely affect the insulating qualities or mechanical integrity of the live-line tool is found, the tool shall be repaired and refinished or shall be permanently removed from service. If no such defect or contamination is found, the tool shall be cleaned and waxed.

- Live-line tools shall be dielectrically tested at least every 24 months.
- .04 Live-line tools shall not be painted.

131 Lockout/Tagout

Notes: Employees within Generation Transmission and Distribution locations must be familiar with and comply with the clearance and tagging procedures for their facility.

Within transportation operations (vehicle mechanics) employees must be familiar with and comply with the Lockout/Tagout Procedures for their location.

- .01 Only approved and authorized personnel will apply locks or tags or other energy-isolating devices to Campus Facilities equipment, machinery or vehicles. All other affected personnel shall be formally trained in the purpose and application of the procedures.
- .02 Approved lockout/tagout and application devices are the only devices used for controlling energy and tagging purposes and are never used for other purposes.
- .03 Tagout devices are constructed and printed so that exposure to weather conditions or wet locations will not cause the tag to deteriorate or cause the tag message to become illegible.
- .04 If more than one person is required to lockout or tagout equipment or machinery, each person will place their own personal lockout or tagout device on the energy-isolating device.
- .05 When an energy-isolating device cannot accept multiple locks or tags use a multiple lockout/tagout device such as a multi-holed hasp.
- .06 To ensure the safe exchange of information and control of hazardous energies, shift changes are coordinated by the authorized employee in charge.

132 LP Gas Operations

- .01 Only qualified employees will fuel liquefied petroleum (LP) gas-powered vehicles.
- .02 Follow all procedures in the prescribed order when fueling LP gas-powered vehicles and LP operations.
- .03 Wear approved PPE when fueling LP-powered vehicles.
- .04 Shut OFF the main fuel-line valve in LP gas -powered vehicles left in buildings overnight.
- .05 Do not vent LP gas fuel tanks inside buildings.

133 Meters

- .01 Only qualified personnel will work on meters. See your supervisor for specific metering operations.

134 Office Safety Practices

- .01 Use handles to open and close file drawers or cabinets.
- .02 Open one drawer at a time to prevent the file cabinet from tipping.
- .03 Do not lean back in chairs with feet propped or raised above seat level to prevent tipping backward.
- .04 Damaged chairs or office furniture will not be used. Remove from service and tag for repair using a Repair tag.
- .05 Use approved step stools and ladders to reach elevated objects or locations.
- .06 Turn OFF and unplug office machines prior to making adjustments, repairs or performing maintenance.
- .07 Keep overhead bins fully opened or closed.
- .08 Keep trash and recycle containers at a reasonable weight and level to protect service employees from strains.
- .09 Use only approved extension cords.
- .10 Keep emergency exit areas free from obstructions.
- .11 Keep reproduction chemicals capped.
- .12 To prevent electrical overloads use only approved electrical strips and circuits.
- .13 Electric portable space heaters are prohibited.
- .14 Keep electrical panels, fire extinguishers or fire exits clear of obstructions.

135 Paint and Paint Storage

- .01 Review Material Safety Data Sheets and follow recommendations for PPE, storage and handling practices.
- .02 No painting shall take place on or near energized electric equipment where contact with energized parts could occur.
- .03 Maintain adequate ventilation in enclosed areas when painting. When adequate ventilation cannot be maintained, approved respirators are provided.
- .04 Use approved solvents to clean brushes. Dispose of solvents properly in approved containers in accordance with EH&S procedures.
- .05 Open flames are not permitted in areas being painted.
- .06 Approved respirators are issued to formally trained employees for spray-painting operations.
- .07 Regulate air pressure to paint spray guns according to manufacturer's recommendations.
- .08 Store and transport oil-base paint, varnishes and paint thinners in approved containers.
- .09 When oil-base paint is kept in the original container keep the lid properly sealed so vapors do not escape. When not in use, containers of paint, lacquer, varnish and thinners are kept closed.
- .10 Oil-base paint, lacquers and thinners shall be stored in an approved storage area, where there is adequate ventilation and no excessive heat.
- .11 Keep pressurized cans of paint, lacquer, etc. out of direct sunlight or excessive heat when not in use. Pressurized cans with recoverable product are stored in an approved storage area. Empty cans and cans with non-recoverable product shall be disposed of properly. They shall not be punctured or placed in a fire.

136 Personal Injuries

Note: See *C.F. Injury Reporting Procedures – CF Safety Manual* for additional information.

- .01 If an employee is injured on the job the employee's supervisor shall be notified immediately or as soon as possible.
- .02 In a non-emergency, the injured employee's supervisor and the employee will determine if medical attention is required, and the supervisor will make arrangements for transporting the employee.
- .03 On-the-job injuries and illnesses requiring medical attention will be referred to the authorized physician, clinic or hospital emergency room.
- .04 The supervisor is responsible for completing the Injury Report form as well as any other required paperwork.
- .05 Inspect first aid kits monthly and stock with approved supplies as necessary.

137 Pneumatic and Hydraulic Tools

- .01 Only trained persons will operate pneumatic and hydraulic tools. Use tools in accordance with manufacturer's instructions.
- .02 Use pneumatic and hydraulic tools with care. Keep them out of the direction of other persons.
- .03 Secure pneumatic and hydraulic power tools to the hose by a positive means to prevent the tool from becoming accidentally disconnected. Operate tools at pressures described in the manufacturer's specifications.
- .04 Securely install safety clips or retainers. Inspect and maintain pneumatic impact tools to prevent attachments from being accidentally expelled. Care shall be exercised to ensure the trigger or control will not operate when the tool is laid down. Keep the hose free from kinks at all times.
- .05 Unless equipped with quick-change connectors, shut off the air at the air supply valve ahead of the hose before making adjustments or changing pneumatic tools. Bleed off at the tool before breaking the connection.
- .06 Conductive hoses will not be used near energized equipment.
- .07 Open the air tank drain valve at regular intervals to prevent excessive moisture accumulation.
- .08 Safety relief valves are required on air tanks. Test periodically to ensure proper operating condition. Relief valves will be kept operational.
- .09 Shut off the supply line at the source before disconnecting the air hose.
- .10 Use reducers or pressure relief devices to ensure that compressed air used for equipment cleaning purposes is below 30 psi. For equipment requiring pressure greater than 30 psi, appropriate PPE and other protective measures shall be used.
- .11 Compressed air is dangerous at any pressure. It is not to be used for cleaning off dust or debris on clothing or skin.
- .12 Follow manufacturer's stated safe operating pressures for hoses, pipes, valves, filters and other fittings.
- .13 Hoses are not be used for hoisting or lowering tools.
- .14 Use the appropriate tools to locate or stop leaks.
- .15 Wear approved PPE as required.

138 Portable Electric Tools

- .01 Effectively ground the non-current-carrying metal parts of a portable electric tool, such as drills, saws and grinders when connected to a power source unless the tool is:
 - An approved double-insulated type,
 - Connected to a ground fault interrupter,
 - Connected by means of an isolating transformer, or
 - Protected by an “assured grounding system.”
- .02 Inspect power tools prior to use.
- .03 Use power tools within their design capability and operate in accordance with the instructions of the manufacturer.
- .04 Keep tools in good repair and disconnect from the power source while repairs or adjustments are made.
- .05 Electric tools will not be used where there is a hazard of flammable vapors, gases or dust.
- .06 Disconnect tools or cords by grasping the plug, not the cord. Maintain extension cords in good repair. Three-wire ground-type cords are used for power tools. Extension lamp cords will have guards and will not be used for tool operation. Tools will not be lifted or lowered by the cord.
- .07 Use ground fault interrupters when an electric tool is used under damp conditions or in an enclosed vessel.

139 Powder-Actuated Tools (.22 & .32 Caliber Shots)

- .01 Only trained employees who are qualified will use powder-actuated tools.
- .02 Carry and transport explosive charges in approved containers.
- .03 Operators and assistants using these tools must wear eye protection (safety goggles and/or face shield) and a hard hat.
- .04 This equipment is used only upon approved materials. Operators must know the construction and composition of materials the tool is being used upon.
- .05 Ensure that the protective shield is properly attached to the tool prior to use.
- .06 Powder-actuated tools shall not be used in an explosive or flammable atmosphere.
- .07 Load tool just prior to the intended firing. Unload tool immediately when work is suspended.
- .08 Tools and cartridges shall not be left unattended.
- .09 Tools, loaded or unloaded, shall not be pointed at any person.
- .10 Give advance warning prior to firing a powder-actuated tool.

140 Property Damage

- .01 Immediately report any incident that results in personal injury or property damage to non-employees (either on University property or in connection with University operations) to the supervisor in charge.
- .02 In accidents involving University vehicles immediately notify law enforcement agencies and the employee’s supervisor regardless of the amount of damage, or who was at fault, or whether the accident happened on private property.
- .03 All incidents of property damage to the public must be reported promptly. Employee will complete appropriate forms, department head will review information, and the department will forward information to the Risk Management department.

141 Public Safety

- .01 Whether indoors or outdoors, take precautions to warn and restrict the public’s exposure to hazards created by Campus Facilities’ operations.
- .02 When working on or near streets and highways, use signs, signals and other warning devices in accordance with the City of Columbia “Traffic Control Manual”.
- .03 When a University operation affects pedestrian traffic, every effort must be made to warn and limit the public from hazards which exist.
- .04 Unattended holes or floor openings must be marked with appropriate barricades, barriers or warning signs (See Section 101).
- .05 Employees finding low or fallen wires, broken poles, holes or other damaged electrical equipment shall guard them until relieved by personnel qualified to deal with the situation, or until informed by an authorized person that the condition has been made safe.
- .06 Employees who recognize other hazardous conditions such as crane operations, drilling operations and erection of antennas adjacent to energized lines shall warn the individual and report the incident as soon as possible to their supervisor or Energy Management.
- .07 Visitors will wear appropriate PPE when exposed to hazards or the job will be shut down.

142 Respiratory Protection

Note: Use of respirators requires formal training specific to the type used for protection. When various types of respiratory protection devices are available, care must be taken to make the proper selection. The device must provide adequate protection against the anticipated hazard. If there is doubt, the higher protective device must be used.

- .01 Wear only approved respiratory-protective equipment that is in good condition.
- .02 Wear appropriate respiratory-protective equipment any time a hazardous atmospheric condition exists. The manufacturer's instructions for respirator use must be followed.
- .03 Employees will be clean-shaven prior to fit testing and use of negative-pressure respiratory equipment.
- .04 The Respiratory Protection Program requires regular fit-testing and pulmonary evaluations to determine physical ability to wear a respirator while performing work.
- .05 Only formally trained and qualified employees will wear respiratory equipment.
- .06 Negative-pressure respirators are not used in atmospheres containing less than 19.5% or greater than 21.5% oxygen.
- .07 Class D-grade air is used in supplied air applications.
- .08 Breathing air-hose connections must be incompatible with other fittings for industrial gases.
- .09 Air pressure at the attachment point of the hood must be regulated within the ranges specified by NIOSH.

143 Scaffolding

- .01 Formally trained persons design and erect scaffolds.
- .02 The scaffold must be inspected by a competent person prior to each work shift and after any incident which could alter the scaffold's safety.
- .03 Use adjusting screws, rather than blocking, to compensate for uneven ground.
- .04 Secure scaffolding to a building structure whenever possible. When this is impractical, use outriggers and/or guying.
- .05 Protect all open sides of platforms by guardrails, midrails, and toe-boards when six feet or more above the ground or floor.
- .06 When work is being performed above employees who are working on a scaffold, appropriate PPE and overhead protection must be provided on the scaffold.
- .07 Use barricades and warning signs to keep employees from passing beneath scaffolds. When employees must work or pass under scaffolds, steps shall be taken to protect those below from the hazard of falling tools or material.
- .08 A ladder or equivalent means of safe access shall be provided to the platform. Cross braces shall not be used as a means of access.
- .09 Employees must be off a scaffold before moving it.
- .10 Prevent materials, tools or debris from accumulating on scaffolds and creating a hazard.
- .11 Scaffolds are not used as material hoist towers or for mounting derricks.

144 Solvents

- .01 Use only approved solvents. Contact your supervisor or EH&S if you have any questions.
- .02 Use the MSDS and/or the Chemical Safety Use Sheet for recommendations, precautions, appropriate protective equipment and safe work practices for each approved solvent.
- .03 Use only approved hand-cleaning products.

145 Stationary Powered Tools

- .01 Use appropriate PPE.
- .02 Machine guards shall be properly installed and shall not be removed except for inspection or repairs. Powered tools shall only be operated with the guards in place.
- .03 Secure stationary powered tools to prevent movement per manufacturer's recommendation.
- .04 Use a mechanical shifter to shift a belt in operation.
- .05 Apply the correct belt dressing only after the machine is turned OFF and the belt idle.
- .06 Use a brush or other safe method to clean chips away from the machine.
- .07 Use clamps to hold work in a drill press.
- .08 Remove chuck wrenches from the machine immediately after use. Check machine prior to operation to ensure the chuck wrench has been removed and machine is clear and ready for use.
- .09 Remote disconnect switches or circuit breakers shall be clearly identified and marked as to their purpose.
- .10 Do not attempt to gauge or caliper while the machine is in operation.

GRINDERS

- .01 The acceptable clearance from the tool-rest to the wheel must not exceed one-eighth of an inch. The distance between the tongue-guard and the wheel must not exceed one-fourth of an inch.
- .02 Use the manufacturer's recommended wheel speed.
- .03 When side grinding, use wheels designed for that purpose.
- .04 Work in designated areas.
- .05 The operator will stand to the side when starting grinding equipment.
- .06 Run grinding wheels at operating speeds for at least one minute before work is applied. Dress wheels as necessary to prevent vibration.
- .07 "Ring test" and inspect wheels for chips and cracks before mounting. Wheels shall not be forced onto the spindle.
- .08 The work shall not be forced against a cold wheel, but shall be applied gradually until the wheel is warm. The work shall be held firmly against the tool rest.

146 Substations

- .01 Only authorized employees or escorted visitors may enter a substation.
- .02 Upon entering a substation where other workers are present, report to the person in charge in order to exchange information on special system conditions affecting employee safety.
- .03 When working in an energized substation, gates are kept closed and latched except where the substation is within or adjacent to power plant or operation centers.
- .04 Substation keys are issued only to authorized persons. Employees are not permitted to loan substation keys to non-employees or other unauthorized individuals.
- .05 "Danger High Voltage" signs are permanently displayed on the fence on all sides of the substation. Damage to fences shall be reported immediately to the supervisor.
- .06 When leaving a substation, lock all doors, control houses and outside gates, and check to be sure everything is secure and in proper order. Consideration shall be given to eliminating conditions that might attract unauthorized entry.

147 Vehicle Operation

- .01 Only properly licensed and authorized persons are permitted to operate motor vehicles and equipment.
- .02 Operate vehicles and equipment in accordance with University rules and principles of defensive driving.
- .03 Operators will familiarize themselves with and obey all state and local traffic laws and ordinances.
- .04 Unauthorized persons are not permitted to ride in University vehicles unless the supervisor grants permission.
- .05 Wear seat belts and shoulder harnesses when provided.
- .06 Ride in the passenger compartment provided in trucks or seated within approved areas designed for passenger use.
- .07 Internal combustion engines are not operated within closed garages or other buildings unless adequate ventilation is provided.
- .08 Employees will not operate an unsafe vehicle or equipment. Remove unsafe vehicles or equipment from operation and report it promptly to the person in charge.
- .09 Operate trucks with tool-compartment doors closed and tailboards intact (Not hanging loose).
- .10 If sufficient personnel are available during backing operations where visibility is obscured, a flagger is used at the rear of the vehicle being backed. The flaggers will position themselves in such a manner as to see the area to the rear of the vehicle and be seen by the operator. The operator obeys the signals given by the flagman.
- .11 Handle any unusual loads in compliance with state and local laws or ordinances.
- .12 Balance or distribute the load equally when loading vehicles.
- .13 When loading or unloading, place vehicle in PARK, and set brakes, or chock the wheels.
- .14 Vehicles will be parked at a distance greater than eight feet to any railroad track.
- .15 Unless otherwise posted, the speed limit on University property is 20 miles per hour.
- .16 Before moving a vehicle where visibility is obscured, operators will perform "a walk around". (Walk around the vehicle to make sure all is clear.)
- .17 Operators must consider overhead clearances.
- .18 Employees must not board or get off of a moving vehicle.
- .19 Open doors carefully to avoid striking people, objects or other vehicles. Look before opening doors on the street side of a vehicle.
- .20 Attach warning flag to loads extending four feet or more beyond the body of the vehicle.
- .21 Close and lock the safety latch on the pintle hook and use safety chains when attaching trailers.
- .22 All trucks hauling poles or pole trailers or any overhanging objects shall be driven with extreme caution.
- .23 Use adequate advanced warning to all traffic before attempting to turn with a load that projects over five feet beyond the end of the truck or trailer.
- .24 Properly secure equipment and materials carried on or in trailers. Distribute weight evenly.

- .25 No one is permitted to ride on a trailer.
- .26 “Micro Brakes” on vehicles are secondary braking systems. They are used for that purpose only.
- .27 Comply with all applicable DOT regulations when transporting hazardous materials.
- .28 Unless the engine is needed to power auxiliary equipment unattended vehicles should be OFF, the parking brake engaged and all doors locked.
- .29 Park or plan routes so as to avoid backing whenever practical.
- .30 Keep weights within the Registered GVW (Gross Vehicle Weight).

148 Violence Prevention

- .01 Firearms, explosives or other dangerous weapons shall not be carried by anyone in the workplace or in University vehicles.
- .02 Harassment or threats are not tolerated.
- .03 Report threats or acts of violence on University property immediately to supervisor and/or the University Police. Report such acts off University property immediately to law enforcement, supervisors and C.F. Personnel.
- .04 Intimidation, horseplay, scuffling, practical jokes or similar activities are not permitted.
- .05 Use a visible means of employee identification when entering University property.

149 Welding, Cutting and Brazing

- .01 Only qualified persons are permitted to weld. Prior to welding or cutting, inspect the area for potential fire hazards and permit if necessary.
- .02 Provide adequate ventilation during welding operations or use approved respiratory-protective equipment.
- .03 Place screens or fire-resistant curtains around welding operations to protect workers nearby or limit access by other means.
- .04 Properly dispose of welding-rod studs.
- .05 If the object to be welded or cut cannot readily be moved, all moveable fire hazards in the vicinity must be taken to a safe place or otherwise protected.
- .06 Suitable fire-extinguishing equipment must be available at the site in a state of readiness for instant use.
- .07 Employees exposed to the hazards created by welding, cutting or brazing operations shall be protected by proper PPE.
- .08 Keep cylinders away from all sources of heat and at least 20 feet from highly combustible materials, or protected by fire-resistant shields.
- .09 After welding or cutting, mark the hot metal or use other means to warn others.

150 Work Area Protection

- .01 Allow motorists and pedestrians time to adjust to upcoming conditions by using as much advance warning as practical. Use signs, and in some cases lights, placed well in advance of the work area in accordance with approved standards.
- .02 Locate all signs on the side of the roadway and maintain them at right angles to, and facing, oncoming traffic.
- .03 Use only approved warning devices. Equip “Workers Ahead” signs with orange flags for better visibility.
- .04 Remove signs when work is finished. If work is temporarily suspended cover or remove signs.
- .05 When the work area is adjacent to, or encroaches upon, a lane of traffic use traffic cones to delineate or to channel traffic away from the work area. The taper must be long enough so vehicles approaching the area have enough distance in which to adjust their speeds and merge to a single lane before the end of the transition.
- .06 Make every effort to move traffic around the work area as safely and expeditiously as possible. If there is enough room for two vehicles to pass each other, use cones to divide the space into two lanes. If there is only room for one-way traffic, block off the entire second lane.
- .07 In a congested area where there is heavy traffic, it may be necessary to designate a member of the crew as flagger. The flagger must wear an orange vest and carry a red flag or approved paddle.
- .08 Under extremely heavy traffic conditions, a second flagger or University Police may be required. Each flagger must be able to see the other clearly so as to coordinate their signals.
- .09 In a more congested area, where vehicles are parked in designated parking spaces at the curb, place a “Workers Ahead” sign at an appropriate distance to the rear of the truck. Place a cone and flag immediately behind the truck.
- .10 Use steady-burning warning lights or reflective cone collars on delineators to channel traffic. Use flashing lights as advance warning and attach it to the very first sign as the motorist approaches the work area.
- .11 Use the rotating light on the truck at night as well as daytime when conditions warrant it.
- .12 Install work area protection along sidewalks where pedestrians may encroach upon the work area. Added protection is recommended in high-density areas.

Safety Operations

200 Aerial-Basket Operations

- .01 Perform a pre-trip inspection of the vehicle and properly fill out necessary forms. Visually check aerial baskets at the beginning of each use. Operate and check the controls from the ground before going up.
- .02 No one on the ground is permitted to operate the controls to the aerial basket while someone is in the basket, except for emergency purposes or following a direct command from the employee in the aerial basket.
- .03 Make sure that brakes are set before setting up aerial-basket truck. When parking on an incline, use chocks.
- .04 Use outriggers on vehicles where they are provided. Before operating outriggers, check to see that everyone is in the clear. Place the outriggers firmly on pads or firm footing before operating the boom.
- .05 Wear an approved body harness with a shock-absorbing lanyard properly attached to the boom.
- .06 Do not climb into or out of the basket while the basket is elevated except in an emergency. Employees shall not belt off to a structure while working in the basket.
- .07 Keep the operating control box clear of materials or tools. No objects, except approved storage containers, are allowed to hang on the outside of the basket when working in an energized area.
- .08 Put the boom in the cradled position and secure it when moving the vehicle.
- .09 Keep within the manufacturer's designated load limits found on the nameplate.
- .10 When working on energized equipment, employees shall position themselves below it when practical.
- .11 When working on energized equipment, employees shall work on one conductor at a time.
- .12 Keep the basket clean, free of debris and covered when not in use.
- .13 No tools or equipment shall be rigged to the basket in such a manner as to cause the basket to become unstable.

201 Compressed Gas Cylinders

- .01 Store cylinders in designated areas and secure in an upright position. Keep empty and full cylinders separated. Store oxygen cylinders at least 20 feet from fuel gas cylinders or other combustible material, such as oil and grease, or separate them by an approved firewall.
- .02 Cylinders are not to be dropped, struck, rolled in the horizontal position or exposed to temperature extremes.
- .03 When opening the cylinder valve, the operator will be in a crouched position behind and below the cylinder valve. The cylinder-valve discharge is turned away from the operator and opened slowly. This does not apply when the cylinder is required to be in an inverted position.
- .04 Use provided caps for valve protection except when regulators are attached to approved carts. Place the cap on the cylinder and hand-tighten. Never insert tools in the cap for the purpose of loosening or tightening the cap. When removing caps make sure that the valve assembly is not unscrewed along with the cap.
- .05 Back off regulators all the way prior to valving the cylinder on. Valves are kept fully open (if empty) or fully closed when not in use. If a special wrench is required, leave it in place on the valve stem for immediate use in case of emergency.
- .06 Keep oil and grease out of contact with torches, valves, regulators, gauges or fittings of oxygen cylinders.
- .07 Never release compressed gas from any cylinder without using a suitable regulator except to initially clean the valve orifice. The control valve is opened only enough to blow out any foreign particles before connecting the regulator or line to the cylinder.
NOTE: Acetylene and hydrogen cylinders are not to be vented.
- .08 Keep sparks or flames away from cylinders or hoses. Signs reading "Danger—No Smoking, Open Flames or Ignition Sources" are required in rooms or at entrances to areas where fuel gas is stored or used.
- .09 Oxygen is used for specific purposes only. Do not use it to blow out pipelines, dust clothing, start engines, pressurize tanks, and operate pneumatic tools or paint-spraying devices.
- .10 Secure cylinders in use to a special cart or to a stationary object such as a handrail or column.
- .11 Unless secured in a special cart or truck, secure cylinders in the upright position with regulator removed and valve caps in place while being transported.
- .12 Follow DOT regulations for hazardous materials shipping of all compressed gas cylinders. Papers and cylinders must be legibly marked as to contents.
- .13 Welding/cutting tanks are prohibited in confined spaces.
- .14 Mark vehicles with placards when transporting cylinders.
- .15 Use acetylene at pressures less than 15 psi.
- .16 Remove regulators and put valve caps in place while cylinders are being transported on elevators.

201 Cranes and Hoists

- .01 Only qualified personnel are permitted to operate cranes and hoists.
- .02 Wear a hard hat when working in the immediate area around a crane.
- .03 Make sure that the controls of all cranes are distinctly marked so that their functions cannot be misunderstood.
- .04 The operator takes all signals from the designated signal person. Should it be apparent that obeying a signal would result in an injury, the operator will not proceed but will notify the signal person at once. A STOP signal shall be obeyed regardless of who gives the signal.
- .05 Mark all lifting equipment, slings and attachments to show load capacity.
- .06 Stay within the rated capacity and load limits of the equipment.
- .07 Check all clearances before raising or lowering a load.
- .08 After the slack is taken up, stand clear of the load before the lift is started, except as required by the job. Use a tag line when moving large, heavy equipment or materials.
- .09 Operators will not move loads over the heads of employees. Employees will not work under suspended loads or inside the angle of a winch line.
- .10 Suspended work platforms are used unless no other means to access work is available. Refer to Suspended Work Platform Procedures (Future Section).
- .11 The operator shall not leave controls unattended when the load is suspended.
- .12 Upon leaving the crane or hoist, the operator opens all necessary switches or controls, or applies brakes to prevent movement of the crane or hoist while unattended.
- .13 When cranes or hoists are within 10 feet of exposed energized overhead lines, the safe approach distances will be constantly checked by a designated observer.
- .14 When working within 10 feet of exposed energized lines or equipment, follow all procedures to ground cranes and insulate or isolate lines and equipment.
- .15 Exercise extreme caution when working in the vicinity of a mobile crane that is operating near exposed energized equipment.
- .16 If the mobile crane accidentally makes contact with energized equipment:
 - Do not approach the crane until the contact is broken or the equipment is known to be de-energized.
 - If it becomes necessary for the operator to leave the crane, jump clear rather than step down.
- .17 Use outriggers to level a mobile crane. To assure stability, re-check outriggers and blocking after the initial strain is taken off and before proceeding with the job.
- .18 If an overhead crane or hoist loses power, secure it until the power is restored. Turn the controls to the OFF position and lock out if necessary.
- .19 Have an approved fire extinguisher easily accessible to the crane operator.
- .20 After the load is removed secure the hook and/or slings.
- .21 Visually inspect the hoisting cable each day before it is used.

202 Fall Protection

- .01 Fall protection is required on all work above six feet unless on an approved work platform, a guardrail system or a safety net system is in place. (Does not apply to step ladders.)
- .02 Where the working height is six feet and above, employees must be formally instructed in fall protection procedures before using equipment or setting up a job.
- .03 Use only approved personal fall protection equipment.
- .04 Inspect safety straps, lanyards, lifelines and full body harnesses before use each day to determine that the equipment is in safe working condition. Tag and remove from service immediately any defective equipment.
- .05 Protect lifelines against being cut or abraded.
- .06 Rig personal fall-arrest systems so that an employee is prevented from a free-fall of more than six feet or hitting any lower level.
- .07 Only one employee is attached to a vertical lifeline or dropline.
- .08 Snaphooks must not be connected to loops made in webbing-type lanyards or to each other.
- .09 Locate anchorage points for positioning devices and fall-arrest equipment above the full body harness attachment point.
- .10 Tag and remove from service immediately any fall-arrest equipment that has been subjected to stress impacts caused by a free-fall.

Note: Fall protection requirements for work on *Ladders, Scaffolds* or other approved work surfaces are included in those sections.

203 Forklift Operations

- .01 Only trained and qualified personnel are permitted to operate a forklift. Operation of the forklift is in accordance with manufacturer's safe operating instructions and C.F. Powered Industrial Truck Procedures.
- .02 Wear hard hats and safety glasses at all times when operating a forklift in a designated hard hat area or when exposed to overhead hazards. Hard hats are also worn when using a forklift to lift a load when the top of the load being lifted is higher than cab protection of the forklift.
- .03 Complete an equipment checklist examination at the beginning of each shift prior to using the unit. A written copy of the completed checklist is retained on file according to procedures.
- .04 Keep all body parts within the confines of the rollover-protection structure. Seatbelts are required to be worn when they are part of the rollover-protection structure.
- .05 When descending an incline, the load is to the rear. When ascending an incline, the load is to the front.
- .06 When parked on an incline, block or chock wheels.
- .07 Avoid sudden stops that might spill the load.
- .08 Sound the horn when blind corners are approached.
- .09 Do not exceed the allowed levels of carbon monoxide by operating forklifts with gasoline or diesel engines in an enclosed area for prolonged periods of time.
- .10 When a forklift is moved, loaded, or empty carry forks as low as possible but high enough to clear uneven surfaces (approx. 4"-6").
- .11 Do not raise or lower loads while the forklift is traveling.
- .12 Turn on the warning light/s whenever the unit is in operation.
- .13 Passengers are not allowed to ride a forklift unless an approved passenger seat is provided. No one shall be permitted to ride the load at any time.
- .14 Only approved platforms are used as worker lifts. The platform must be properly secured to the mast or forks, and guards in place to prevent hands or materials from passing into the mast area.
- .15 Use approved fall protection while working in an elevated platform attached to the forklift.
- .16 Secure fall protection to the fork-tine carriage and not to the platform or workbasket.

204 Lockout/Tagout

Notes: Employees within Generation Transmission and Distribution locations must be familiar with and comply with the clearance and tagging procedures for their facility.

Within transportation operations (vehicle mechanics) employees must be familiar with and comply with the Lockout/Tagout Procedures for their location.

- .01 Only approved and authorized personnel will apply locks or tags or other energy-isolating devices to Campus Facilities equipment, machinery or vehicles. All other affected personnel shall be formally trained in the purpose and application of the procedures.
- .02 Approved lockout/tagout and application devices are the only devices used for controlling energy and tagging purposes, and are used for other purposes.
- .03 Tagout devices are constructed and printed so that exposure to weather conditions or wet locations will not cause the tag to deteriorate or cause the tag message to become illegible.
- .04 Properly and legibly enter all information required on the tag.
- .05 If more than one person is required to lockout or tagout equipment or machinery, each person will place their own personal lockout or tagout device on the energy-isolating device.
- .06 When an energy-isolating device cannot accept multiple locks or tags use a multiple lockout/tagout device such as a multi-holed hasp.
- .07 As an alternative to utilizing a multi-holed hasp to lockout a device, a single lock may be used to lockout the equipment or machinery. Put the single key to that lock in a lockout box or cabinet that can accommodate multiple locks or tags. Secure that cabinet by having each employee use his or her own lock or tag on the cabinet or box. As each person no longer needs to maintain their lockout protection, that person will remove their lock or tag from the multiple lockout device or the lockout box or cabinet, whichever is being used.
- .08 To ensure the safe exchange of information and control of hazardous energies, shift changes are coordinated by the authorized employee in charge.
- .09 In the event work cannot be completed by the end of a shift, and there are no overlapping shifts or direct exchange of information between authorized employees assuming the work, employees will follow procedures to ensure the equipment or machinery is safe and properly secured, and that all required information is documented.

- .10 In the event an employee leaves the facility without removing his/her lock from equipment or machinery on which work must continue, all efforts must be made to contact that employee to return to work and remove the lock or tag.
- .11 If an authorized employee who applied the lock or tag device is not available to remove it and cannot be contacted, the lock or tag may only be removed according to the following procedures as outlined in the Campus Facilities Control of Hazardous Energy Program – LOTO.

Lockout/Tagout Procedures

- .12 Authorized employees know the type and magnitude of energy sources that the machine or equipment utilizes and understand the hazards and the appropriate means to eliminate the hazard.
- .13 If the machine or equipment to be serviced is operating, shut it down using normal shut down procedures.
- .14 Operate the disconnect switch, line valve, or other isolation devices so that the equipment is isolated from its energy source(s). Always trace all lines of supply back to their source to assure that there are no added splices, connections or T's that have not been secured. Stored energy in springs, elevated machine members, rotating flywheels, hydraulic systems, and air, gas, steam or water pressure, etc., must be dissipated or restrained by methods such as repositioning, blocking, bleeding down, etc.
- .15 The authorized employees will lockout/tagout energy-isolating devices with assigned individual locks or tags.
- .16 Any time a lock is used to secure an energy source, it must be accompanied by a tag identifying the person that installed it, the date and time it was installed, and a means by which the employee may be contacted.
- .17 At no time will the locking device be removed by anyone other than the person who is identified on the tag unless following specific departmental procedures.
- .18 After ensuring that no personnel are exposed, and as a check on having disconnected the proper energy sources, operate the push button or other normal operating controls to make certain the equipment will not operate.
- .19 All operating controls should be reset to NEUTRAL or OFF position after the initial test, if the equipment, machinery, or vehicle being serviced or repaired has stored energy which cannot be realistically removed by dissipation, bleeding down, or restrained to prevent movement.
- .20 The equipment or machine is now locked or tagged out-of-service and maintenance or repairs may begin.

Termination of Lockout/Tagout

- .21 After the service and/or maintenance is complete and the equipment is ready to be tested and/or returned to normal operation, it must be inspected for completeness of assembly; the area around the machine or equipment must be checked to ensure that exposures to hazards or risks are minimal; and that all non-essential items have been removed from the operating area.
- .22 All equipment guards must be in place and properly adjusted.
- .23 All affected employees must be notified of the intention to energize and test the machine or equipment. All non-essential personnel will move to a safe location.
- .24 The authorized employee(s) who applied any lock or tag will remove all lockout or tagout devices and operate the energy isolating devices to restore energy to the machine or equipment in the exact reverse order that they were installed.
- .25 Do not remove the last lock or tag until all hazards have been considered and corrected as needed.

205 Mowing and Trimming Operations

.01 Gas-Powered Lawn Maintenance Tools

- .001 Read and follow the manufacturer's routine and preventive maintenance schedule.
- .002 Only formally trained employees may operate powered equipment.
- .003 When operating the unit, grip the specified manufacturer handholds.
- .004 Tag damaged tools "Out of Service" to prevent accidental start up or use.
- .005 Tag and remove from service tools that have parts that are loose, worn, cracked or otherwise visibly damaged.
- .006 Turn the engine "OFF" and allow it to cool:
 - Before adding fuel.
 - When not in use.
 - Before performing maintenance on it.
 - Before covering or storing it.

- .007 Turn the power switch of the engine to "OFF" and disconnect the spark-plug wire from the spark plug before cleaning, inspecting, adjusting or repairing cutting blades or other rotating parts.
- .008 Smoking is prohibited
 - While servicing or using a hand held gasoline tool (hedge cutter, trimmer, etc.).
 - While refueling any equipment.
- .009 By-pass switches and all other safety devices provided by the manufacturer or added for employee safety will be kept in working condition.

.02 Mowing

- .001 Visually inspect the area to be mowed; remove or mow around hazards such as tree stumps, roots, rocks, branches, sprinklers, hoses, electrical cords, light fixtures, pipes, etc.
- .002 The "kill" switch on a mower must be maintained in working order at all times.
- .003 Direct the grass discharge away from bystanders.
- .004 When dumping or removing clogged grass from equipment, turn the power OFF.
- .005 Mowing slopes of greater than 3:1 require special consideration. Steep slopes must be evaluated prior to cutting to determine safest way to mow them. Only well-trained, experienced operators determined by management will mow slopes.
- .006 Keep the mower in gear when going down slopes.
- .007 Place discharge chutes in "down" position when mowing.

.03 Edging

- .001 Start an edger with the blade off of the ground.
- .002 Operate the edger at full blade speed.
- .003 When edging along roads, stay as close to the curb as possible.

.04 Line Trimmer/Weed Eater/Brush cutter

- .001 Before refueling the trimmer, remove it from the harness, place it on the ground, and allow it to cool.

.05 Backpack Blowers

- .001 Do not use the blower to clean yourself off.
- .002 Do not direct the blower toward bystanders.

206 Powder-Actuated Tools (.22 & .32 Caliber Shots)

- .01 Only trained employees who are qualified will use powder-actuated tools.
- .02 Carry and transport explosive charges in approved containers.
- .03 Operators and assistants using these tools must wear eye protection (safety goggles and/or face shield) and a hard hat.
- .04 Maintain tools in good condition and service in accordance with manufacturer's guidelines.
- .05 This equipment is used only upon approved materials. Operators must know the construction and composition of materials the tool is being used upon.
- .06 Ensure that the protective shield is properly attached to the tool prior to use.
- .07 Inspect the tool to be sure that it is clean, moving parts operate freely, and the bore is free from obstructions. Clear the bore before using. A charge shall not be fired to clear the bore.
- .08 Tag and remove any defective tool immediately.
- .09 Powder-actuated tools shall not be used in an explosive or flammable atmosphere.
- .10 Load tool just prior to the intended firing. Unload tool immediately when work is suspended.
- .11 Use only cartridges with an explosive charge adequate for the job and with proper penetration.
- .12 Tools and cartridges shall not be left unattended.

- .13 Hold tool perpendicular to the work surface.
- .14 Tools, loaded or unloaded, shall not be pointed at any person.
- .15 In case of a misfire, follow the manufacturer's procedure. In the absence of the manufacturer's procedure, hold the tool in place for 30 seconds. The operator shall then try to operate the tool a second time, and, if unsuccessful, shall wait another 30 seconds. Misfired cartridges shall then be removed, placed in metal container and returned to the supervisor.
- .16 Give advance warning prior to firing a powder-actuated tool.

207 Scaffolding

Note: Refer to CF Safety Policies for specific requirements.

- .01 Formally trained persons will design and erect scaffolds.
- .02 The scaffold must be inspected by a competent person prior to each work shift and after any incident which could alter the scaffold's safety.
- .03 Scaffold components shall be maintained in good repair and inspected before erection. Any broken, bent, altered or otherwise structurally unsound frame or support members shall not be used. All scaffolds and their supports must be capable of supporting the load they are designed to carry with a safety factor of four.
- .04 When scaffolds must be erected on soft or filled ground, sufficient sills or underpinnings will be used to ensure stability.
- .05 The legs or uprights of scaffolding shall be plumb and securely and rigidly braced to form a stable work platform. Braces shall not be forced to make them fit.
- .06 Adjusting screws, rather than blocking, shall be used to compensate for uneven ground.
- .07 Secure scaffolding to a building structure whenever possible. When this is impractical, use outriggers and/or guying.
- .08 Protect all open sides of platforms with guardrails, midrails, and toe-boards when six feet or more above the ground or floor.
- .09 When work is being performed above employees who are working on a scaffold, appropriate PPE and overhead protection must be provided on the scaffold.
- .10 Use barricades and warning signs to keep employees from passing beneath scaffolds. When employees must work or pass under scaffolds, steps shall be taken to protect those below from the hazard of falling tools or material.
- .11 A ladder or equivalent means of safe access to the platform shall be provided. Cross braces shall not be used as a means of access.
- .12 Use only "scaffold grade" lumber for platform planking. Lay planks solid. Planks must be secured. At least six inches but less than 18 inches of planking is required to extend beyond end supports.
- .13 Employees must be off a scaffold before moving it.
- .14 Prevent materials, tools or debris from accumulating on scaffolds and creating a hazard.
- .15 Work from the platform of a scaffold. Do not use ladders or makeshift devices to gain added height from the platform.
- .16 Lock castor brakes on rolling scaffolds before employees climb them. Check that castors are pinned into the frames.
- .17 Do not use ladders in the horizontal position for use as scaffolding.
- .18 Scaffolds are not used as material hoist towers or for mounting derricks.

208 Welding, Cutting and Brazing

- .01 Only qualified persons are permitted to weld. Prior to welding or cutting, inspect the area for potential fire hazards and permit if necessary.
- .02 Inspect oxygen and fuel gas hoses before use. Remove hoses that leak or show burned or worn areas from service.
- .03 Provide adequate ventilation during welding operations or use approved respiratory-protective equipment.
- .04 Whenever practical, place screens or fire-resistant curtains around welding operations to protect workers nearby.
- .05 Any arc-welding machine that gets wet internally must be thoroughly dried and tested by a qualified person before being used.
- .06 Welding cables shall be inspected periodically for damage and loss of insulation. Remove from service immediately any cables in need of repair.
- .07 Uncoil welding cable before use. Firmly attach the ground lead to the work. Check all ground connections to be sure that they are mechanically strong and electrically adequate for the required current.
- .08 Join ground and electrode cables using connectors specifically designed for the purpose.
- .09 A welder will not weld with cables coiled around or placed on his or her body. Repair splices are not permitted within 10 feet of the welder.
- .10 Electrode holders, when not in use, are placed so that they cannot make electrical contact with persons, conductive objects, fuel or compressed gas tanks. Remove electrodes from holders when not in use.
- .11 Welding-rod studs must be properly disposed of.
- .12 If the object to be welded or cut cannot readily be moved, all moveable fire hazards in the vicinity must be taken to a safe place or otherwise protected.
- .13 Suitable fire-extinguishing equipment must be available at the site in a state of readiness for instant use.

- .14 No welding or cutting shall be performed on used equipment, pipes, drums, barrels, tanks or other containers until they have been cleaned so thoroughly as to make certain that there are no flammable materials present or substances that might produce flammable or toxic vapors.
- .15 Employees exposed to the hazards created by welding, cutting or brazing operations shall be protected by proper PPE.
- .16 Mechanical ventilation is required for the following materials: fluorine compounds, zinc, lead, chlorinated hydrocarbons, beryllium, cadmium, mercury, cleaning compounds, galvanized materials and stainless steel are particularly hazardous and have specific control requirements. Refer to MSDS for specific health requirements for these hazardous materials.
- .17 Under no conditions shall acetylene be generated, piped or utilized at a pressure in excess of 15 psig (or 30 Pisa) or no more than one quarter turn of the spindle.
- .18 Legibly mark compressed gas cylinders identifying the gas content, including either the chemical or trade name of the gas.
- .19 Keep cylinders away from all sources of heat and at least 20 feet from highly combustible materials, or protected by fire-resistant shields.
- .20 Except when cylinders are in use or connected for use, keep valve-protection caps in place at all times and hand-tighten only.
- .21 Separate oxygen cylinders in storage from fuel-gas cylinders or combustible materials (especially oil or grease), a minimum distance of 20 feet or by a non-combustible barrier at least five feet high having a fire-resistance rating of at least one-half hour.
- .22 Keep cylinders, valves, couplings, regulators, hoses and other equipment free from oily or greasy substances.
- .23 Before attaching a regulator to a cylinder, stand to one side and open the valve slightly for an instant, then close it. This "cracking" of the cylinder valve will clean the valve of dust or dirt.
- .24 Before a regulator is removed from a cylinder valve, close the valve to release the gas from the regulator.
- .25 Open acetylene cylinder valves less than one and one-half turns of the spindle. This allows ready closing of the valve in an emergency situation.
- .26 Always use the proper hoses. Fuel gas hose is usually red (sometimes black) and has a left-hand treaded nut for connecting to the torch. Oxygen hose is green and has a right-hand threaded nut for connecting to the torch.
- .27 Pressure-reducing regulators are used only for the gas and pressures for which they are intended.
- .28 Gauges on oxygen regulators shall be marked "Use No Oil."
- .29 Place welding cable, hoses and other equipment so that they are clear of passageways, stairways and ladders unless properly guarded.
- .30 Matches, lighters or hot work shall not be used to light a torch. A friction striker or other approved device shall be used.
- .31 After welding or cutting is completed mark the hot metal or use other means to warn others.
- .32 When welding or cutting in an area where flammable or combustible materials are present, obtain a Hot Work Permit.

Part 4: Safety Education and Training Program

Powered Industrial Truck Program

Purpose

To familiarize employees with the hazards and safety concerns involved in the movement of products and materials with powered industrial trucks (PTIs), hoists and lifting gear. Material handling is a significant safety concern. There are numerous opportunities for personal injury and property damage if proper procedures and caution are not followed. Information in this section shall be used to train prospective PTI operators and provide the basis for refresher and annual retraining. The OSHA reference for Powered Industrial Trucks is 1910.178.

Pre-Qualifications for Powered Industrial Truck (PIT) Operators

PIT operator candidates must meet the following basic requirements prior to starting initial or annual training:

- Must have no vision problems that cannot be corrected by glasses or contacts*
- No hearing loss that cannot be corrected with hearing aids*
- No physical impairments that would affect safe operation of the PIT*
- No neurological disorders affecting balance or consciousness*
- Taking no medication that affects perception, vision or physical abilities*

Training

PIT Operator Training shall be conducted under the close supervision of an experienced operator, selected by management. Such training and evaluation must be completed before an operator is permitted to independently operate a Powered Industrial Truck (forklift, etc.). Training consists of a combination of formal instruction, practical training (demonstrations performed by the trainer and practical exercises performed by the trainee), and evaluation of the operator's performance in the workplace. Training consists of: :

Truck-related training topics:

1. Operating instructions, warnings, and precautions for the types of truck the trainee will be qualified to operate
2. Differences between the truck and the automobile
3. Truck controls and instrumentation: where located, what they do, and how they work
4. Engine or motor operation

5. Steering and maneuvering
6. Visibility (including restrictions due to loading)
7. Fork and attachment adaptation, operation, and use limitations
8. Vehicle capacity

9. Vehicle stability
10. Vehicle inspection and maintenance the operator will be required to perform
11. Refueling and/or charging and recharging of batteries
12. Operating limitations

Workplace-related topics:

1. Surface conditions where the vehicle will be operated
2. Composition of loads to be carried and load stability
3. Load manipulation, stacking, and unstacking
4. Pedestrian traffic
5. Narrow aisles and other restricted places
6. Hazardous (classified) locations
7. Ramps and other sloped surfaces that could affect the vehicle's stability
8. Closed environments and other areas where insufficient ventilation or poor vehicle maintenance could cause a buildup of carbon monoxide or diesel exhaust
9. Other unique or potentially hazardous environmental conditions in the workplace that could affect safe operation

Refresher training and evaluation. Refresher training, including an evaluation of previous training, shall be conducted to ensure that the operator has the knowledge and skills to safely operate a PIT. Refresher operator training shall be provided when the operator:

1. has been observed or evaluated to be operating the PIT in an unsafe manner
2. has been involved in an accident or near-miss incident
3. is assigned a different type of truck
4. may be affected by changed driving conditions in the workplace.

An evaluation of the PIT operator's performance will be conducted once every three years.

PIT Operators: Safe Operating Procedures & Rules

1. Trained and authorized personnel only will operate PITs.
2. PITs will be equipped with a headache rack, fire extinguisher, revolving beacon, back-up alarm and seat belts, which shall be worn when operating the vehicle.
3. Operator will perform daily pre- and post-trip inspections.
4. PITs shall be taken out of service until safety defects, such as hydraulic fluid leaks; defective brakes, steering, lights, or horn; and/or missing fire extinguisher, lights, seat belt, or back-up alarms are corrected.
5. Operators will follow recharging or refueling safety procedures.
6. Loads will be tilted back on the forks and carried no higher than 6 inches from the ground. Transpsosrt loads that restrict vision by driving in reverse.
7. Drive no faster than 5 mph – a normal walking pace.

8. Wear hard hats in high-lift areas.
9. Sound horn and use extreme caution when meeting pedestrians, making turns and cornering.
10. Affix a "NO PASSENGERS" decal to each PIT. Passengers are not allowed on the vehicle.
11. Use an appropriate lift platform (cage with standard rails and toe-boards) when lifting persons.
12. Maintain aisles free of obstructions, marked, and wide enough (six foot minimum) for vehicle operation.
13. Mark PITs with their lift capacity. Operators shall ensure that loads do not exceed weight capacity.
14. Lower forks to the ground, apply parking brake and turn off the PIT when leaving it unattended.
15. All PITs (with exception of pallet jacks) will be equipped with a multi-purpose, dry chemical fire extinguisher. (Minimum rating; 2A:10B:C)
16. Report all accidents to management so the accident may be investigated.
17. Use dock plates that are in good condition when loading rail cars and trailers. Store the plates on edge when not in use.
18. Park rail cars and trailers square to the loading area, chock the wheels and follow established Docking/Un-Docking Procedures.

Changing and Charging Storage Batteries

1. Battery-charging sites shall be located in designated areas. .
2. Facilities shall be provided for flushing and neutralizing spilled electrolyte; for fire protection; for protecting charging apparatus from damage by trucks; and for adequate ventilation for dispersal of fumes from gassing batteries.
3. A conveyor, overhead hoist, or equivalent material-handling equipment shall be provided for handling batteries.
4. Reinstalled batteries shall be properly positioned and secured in the truck.
5. A carboy tilter or siphon shall be provided for handling electrolyte.
6. When charging batteries, pour acid into water; NEVER water into acid.
7. Trucks shall be properly positioned and brakes applied before attempting to change or charge batteries.
8. Care shall be taken to assure that vent caps are functioning. The battery (or compartment) cover(s) shall be open to dissipate heat.
9. Smoking is prohibited in the charging area.
10. Precautions shall be taken to prevent open flames, sparks, or electric arcs in battery charging areas.
11. Tools and other metallic objects shall be kept away from the top of uncovered batteries.

Trucks and Railroad cars

1. The flooring of trucks, trailers, and railroad cars shall be checked for breaks and weakness before driving the PIT into either.
2. The brakes of highway trucks shall be set and wheel chocks placed under the rear wheels to prevent the trucks from rolling while they are boarded with PITs.

3. Wheel stops or other recognized positive protection shall be provided to prevent railroad cars from moving during loading or unloading operations.
4. Fixed jacks may be necessary to support a semi-trailer and prevent upending during the loading or unloading when the trailer is not coupled to a tractor.
5. Positive protection shall be provided to prevent railroad cars from being moved while dock boards or bridge plates are in position.

Operations

1. Any time a PIT is found to be in need of repair, defective, or in any way unsafe, the truck shall be taken out of service until the problem is fixed.
2. Trucks shall not be driven up to anyone standing in front of a bench or other fixed object.
3. No person shall be allowed to stand or pass under the elevated portion of any truck, whether loaded or empty.
4. Unauthorized personnel shall not be permitted to ride on PITs. .
5. Arms and legs shall not be placed between the uprights of the mast or outside the running lines of the truck.
6. When a PIT is left unattended, load engaging means shall be fully lowered, controls shall be neutralized, power shall be shut off, and brakes set. Wheels shall be blocked if the truck is parked on an incline.
7. Maintain a safe distance from the edge of ramps, platforms, elevated docks and freight cars. Do not use the PIT to open or close freight doors.
8. Be knowledgeable of headroom beneath overhead installations, lights, pipes, sprinkler system, etc.
9. An overhead guard shall be used as protection against falling objects. Such guard offers protection from the impact of small packages, boxes, bagged material, etc., but is not designed to withstand the impact of a falling capacity load.
10. A load backrest extension shall be used whenever necessary to minimize the possibility of material falling to the rear.
11. Do not park a PIT where it blocks fire aisles, access to stairways or fire equipment.

Traveling

1. Observe all traffic regulations, including speed limits. Maintain a safe distance of approximately three truck lengths from the truck ahead. Keep the PIT under control at all times.
2. Yield the right-of-way to ambulances, fire trucks, or other emergency vehicles.
3. Do not pass other PITs at intersections, blind spots, or other dangerous locations.
4. Slow down and sound the horn at cross aisles and other locations where vision is obstructed. Travel in reverse if the load obstructs the view forward.
5. Diagonally cross railroad tracks wherever possible. Do not park a PIT closer than 8 feet from the center of railroad tracks.
6. Always look in the direction of travel.

7. Slowly ascend and descend grades. When ascending or descending grades in excess of 10 percent, loaded trucks shall be driven with the load upgrade. On all grades the load and load engaging means shall be tilted back if applicable, and raised only as far as necessary to clear the road surface.
8. Under all travel conditions the truck shall be operated at a speed that will permit it to be brought to a stop in a safe manner.
9. Stunt driving and horseplay shall not be permitted.
10. Drive slowly over wet and slippery floors.
11. Secure dockboards or bridgeplates driving carefully over either. Do not exceed their rated capacity.
12. Avoid driving over loose objects.
13. Reduce speed when negotiating turns by turning the hand steering wheel in a smooth, sweeping motion. The hand steering wheel shall be turned at a moderate, even rate, except when maneuvering at very low speed.

Loading

1. Transport only safe, stable loads. Exercise caution when transporting off-center loads that cannot be centered.
2. Handle only loads within the rated capacity of the truck.
3. Adjust long or high (including multiple-tiered) loads that may affect capacity. .
4. When not handling a load, operate trucks equipped with attachments as partially loaded.
5. Place a load-engaging means under the load as far as possible and carefully tilt the mast backward to stabilize the load.
6. Use extreme care when tilting loads forward or backward, particularly when high-tiering. Tilting forward with load-engaging means elevated is prohibited except to pick up a load. An elevated load shall not be tilted forward over a rack or stack when the load is in a deposit position. When stacking or tiering, tilt backward only enough to stabilize the load.

Fueling Safety

1. Refuel with the engine OFF. Avoid spilling fuel.
2. Wash away completely, allow all spilled oil or fuel to evaporate, and replace the fuel tank cap before restarting engine.
3. Correct all fuel leaks. Do not operate a truck with a leak in the fuel system.
4. Do not use an open flames to check electrolyte levels in storage batteries or gasoline levels in fuel tanks.

Maintenance of Powered Industrial Trucks

1. Remove from service any unsafe power-operated industrial truck. All repairs shall be made by authorized personnel.
2. Repairs to fuel and ignition systems involving potential fire hazards shall be made in locations designated for such repairs.
3. Disconnect the battery when making repairs to the electrical system.

4. Replace defective equipment with parts meeting original specifications.
5. Industrial trucks shall not be altered from their original design. Fork trucks shall not be counterweighted unless approved by the truck manufacturer.
6. Perform daily, pre-shift inspections on industrial trucks. Report and correct all defects. Sideline until repaired, any truck with a safety defect.
7. Remove from service and repair any vehicle that is overheating.
8. Keep the vehicle clean. Use noncombustible, high flash-point (at or above 100 degrees Fahrenheit) agents for cleaning surfaces of oil and grease.

Safe Operation Procedure for Charging LPG Tank

1. No Smoking.
2. Move LPG PIT outside for refueling.
3. Turn off PIT.
4. LPG tanks will be removed in the following order:
 - shut off service valve
 - disconnect tank from hose
 - unbuckle and remove tank from bracket
5. LPG tanks will be replaced in to following order:
 - place tank in bracket and re-buckle
 - reconnect hose to tank and tighten firmly
 - open valve slowly and assure proper seal

NOTE: Federal Law Prohibits dispensing an improper fuel type into any vehicle or into a non-approved fuel container.

In Case of LPG Leaks or Tank Rupture

1. DO NOT start or move the PIT.
2. If fuel hose is leaking, Close valve immediately and designate PIT "Out of Service" until repaired.
3. If tank ruptures, warn others, immediately leave the area (at least 50 feet). and notify management. Do not re-enter the area until cleared by management.

Powered Industrial Truck Pre-Use Checklist

A check of the following items (as applicable) is to be conducted by the operator prior to use each shift.

Lights

Horn

Brakes

Leaks

Warning Beacon

Backup Warning Alarm

Fire Extinguisher

If deficiencies are noted, the unit is to be placed OUT OF SERVICE and the problem corrected. The operator is responsible for notifying his supervisor and filling out a maintenance request.

Appendix 1: Reports, Checklists, Forms, Instructions, etc.

ANSI Z41- 1999: General Requirements

Section	Protection	Identification Code
1	<p>Impact and Compression Resistance: To protect the foot from falling objects or rolling objects such as a wheel on a forklift. Class 75 is the highest level and shall be the standard within Campus Facilities.</p>	I/C
2	<p>Metatarsal: Protection of the upper foot (metatarsal bones) and toe areas. Designed to prevent or reduce injuries when the toe and metatarsal areas of the foot are exposed to “drop” hazards. Class 75 is the highest level and shall be the standard within Campus Facilities.</p>	M+
3	<p>Conductive Footwear: Designed to facilitate/discharge static electricity from the body through the shoes into grounded floors. Floors must be grounded so that the charge can be dissipated. Used to minimize static electricity and to reduce the possibility of ignition of volatile chemicals or explosives. WARNING: Footwear shall NOT be worn near open electrical circuits of highly charged objects of any kind that require Electrical Hazard (Non Conductive) footwear. This footwear is NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR CAMPUS FACILITIES EMPLOYEES.</p>	Cd
4	<p>Electrical Hazard Protective Sole and Heel: The sole construction is designed to reduce the hazards due to the contact of the sole with electrically energized parts and to provide secondary electrical hazard protection on substantially insulated surfaces. The soles of electrical hazard footwear are designed to reduce the potential of electrical shock when soles are exposed to open circuits of 600 Volts AC or less.</p> <p>Footwear with electrical hazard protective soles and heels is recommended for general use to reduce the risk of injury following accidental contact with live electrical conductors of less than 600 Volts AC. Because of the possibility that the shock resistance property may be degraded when worn, the footwear must never be used in place of conventional insulating rubber mats, etc. The shock resistance properties can be maintained if the footwear is used in dry conditions and if the outer sole remains free from chemical contaminants (road salt etc) and embedded conducting materials (metal particles, thumb tacks etc.) The sole and heel of the footwear should be inspected regularly. Under no circumstances should modifications be made to the footwear that negates the electrical hazard properties.</p> <p>WARNING: Electrical Hazard non-conductive footwear shall not be worn near explosives or in other environments that require conductive footwear.</p>	EH
5	<p>Sole Puncture Resistant Protective Device: Footwear includes a sole puncture device, usually a metal mesh layer in the soles. This reduces the possibility of puncture wounds to the soles of the feet. The protective plate must be an integral part of the shoe.</p>	PR
6	<p>Static Dissipative: Footwear designed to reduce the accumulation of excess static electricity by conducting body charge to ground, while maintaining a high enough specified level of electrical resistance between 10^6 and 10^9 Ohms according to test procedures in Z41. NOT ACCEPTABLE FOR CAMPUS FACILITIES EMPLOYEES.</p>	SD

Other pertinent characteristics:

The following protective properties are not part of the ANSI Z41 requirement, but may be included based on the hazards assessments of the job.

- *Resistance to Heat/Cold*
- *Slip Resistance – Note: Surfaces and conditions, sole shape and tread design, heel shape and hardness cannot guarantee the quality of slip resistant data.*
- *Water Resistant*
- *Chemical Resistance – Outsole Properties:*
 - *Call C.F. Safety for information concerning various sole and upper properties. I.E. Leather is not recommended for alkalis, concentrated mineral acids.*
- *Defined heel –*
- *Ankle protection*
- *Chain Saw Protective Footwear (see ANSI/ASTM F1818-97)*

EMERGENCY INFORMATION

(To Be Posted)

FIRE:

Telephone Fire Department:

Nearest Alarm Box:

CRIME:

Telephone Police:

Injury/Illness:

Avoid infection of minor injuries; always get medical attention or skilled first aid

Employees who are First Aid and/or CPR Certified

Doctor

Phone

Office

Phone

Residence

Phone

Hospital

Address

Phone

Ambulance

Address

Phone

In all cases of Fire, Crime, Accident, or Sickness, promptly notify:

1. Name

Office Phone

Home Phone

2. Name

Office Phone

Home Phone

Additional Numbers:

(Alarm Company, Office Phone, etc.)

February 15, 2000

CAMPUS FACILITIES DIRECTIVE NO. 208B

SUBJECT: Protective Eye Wear

PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for requirements for the wearing of protective eye wear and acquiring protective eye wear.

CANCELLATION: Campus Facilities Directive 208B dated July 1, 1985 and 208A dated January 13, 1983.

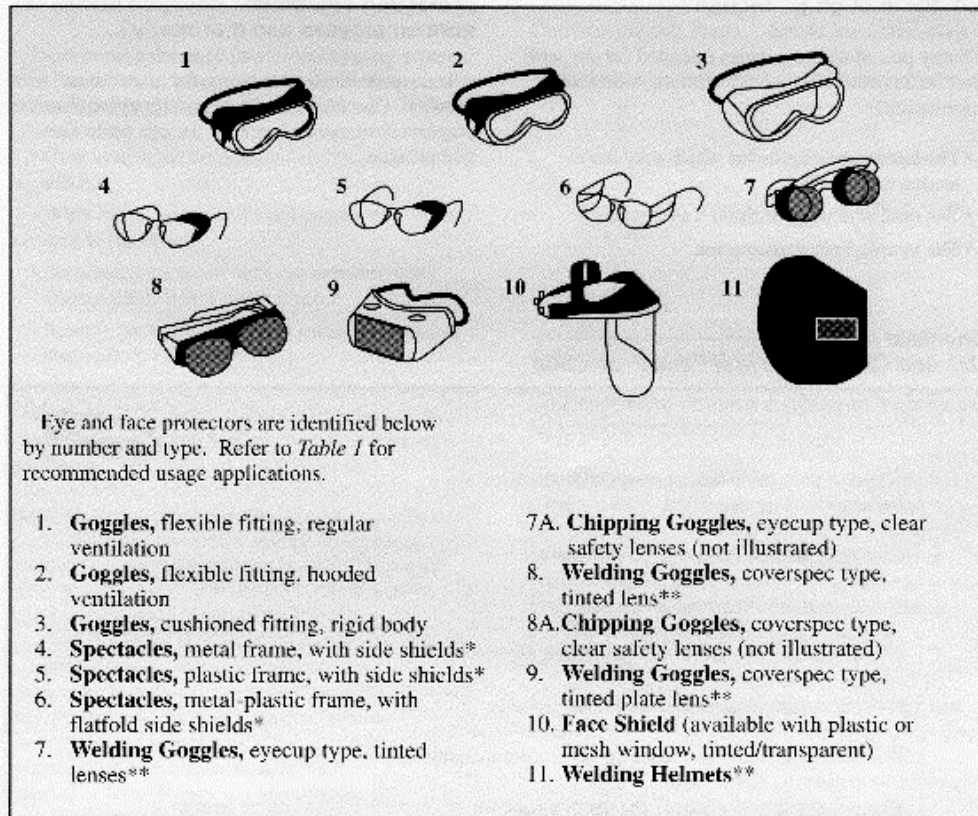
1. Employees will be required to wear protective eye wear when they are assigned to work in areas or on tasks requiring such eye wear. Type of protection eye wear will be determined by the type of equipment being used and the task being performed.
2. Requests for non-prescription safety glasses or goggles are to be made by the employee to his/her immediate supervisor. The supervisor will determine the type of protective eye wear required and will furnish the appropriate protective eye wear to employee.
3. Requests for prescription safety glasses are processed through the Department of Environmental Health & Safety (E.H.&S.) Room #8, Research Park. The employee should complete the upper portion of the yellow "Application for Protective Eye Wear" form (exhibit #1). The form can be obtained from the supervisor or from CF Personnel Services.
 - A) The employee's supervisor should complete the lower portion of the form and sign. The employee should take the form to E.H.&S.
 - B) E.H.&S. will issue a RX form to employee. The employee will take the form to the optician for completion and return form to E.H.&S. When the prescription glasses are ready for pick up, the employee will be notified by E.H.&S.
 - C) A wide variety of frames are now available in addition to standard frames. If the employee chooses a frame or lens other than the standard one, there will be a charge to the employee for the difference in price.
 - D) Under normal circumstances, an employee is eligible for 1 pair of prescription safety glasses per year. Exceptions are:
 - a. Damaged frames or lenses.
 - b. Change of prescription.
4. Failure to wear protective eye wear when required may result in disciplinary action.

ACTION: The guidelines set forth are effective immediately and all departments in Campus Facilities must be in full compliance with this directive by April 1, 2000.

Alan R. Warden
Assistant Vice Chancellor-Facilities

Eye and Fall Protectors, Recommendations

Figure 1. Recommended Eye and Face Protectors



Source: 29 CFR 1926.102 (a)(5) Table E-1.

*These are also available without side shields for limited use requiring only frontal protection.

** See Table 2, Filter Lenses for Protection Against Radiant Energy.

Table 1. Eye and Face Protector Selection Guide

Operation	Hazards	Recommended protectors: (numbers refer to Figure 1)
Acetylene-burning, acetylene-cutting, acetylene-welding	Sparks, harmful rays, molten metal, flying particles	7,8,9
Chemical handling	Splash, acid burns, fumes	2,10 (for severe exposure add 10 over 2)
Chipping	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,7A,8A
Electric (arc) welding	Sparks, intense rays, molten metal	9,11 (11 in combination with 4,5,6 in tinted lenses advisable)
Furnace operations	Glare, heat, molten metal	7,8,9 (for severe exposure add 10)
Grinding - light	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,10
Grinding - heavy	Flying particles	1,3,7A,8A (for severe exposure add 10)
Laboratory	Chemical splash, glass breakage	2 (10 when in combination with 4,5,6)
Machining	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,10
Molten metals	Heat, glare, sparks, splash	7,8 (10 in combination with 4,5,6 in tinted lenses)
Spot welding	Flying particles, sparks	1,3,4,5,6,10

Source: 29 CFR 1926.102(a)(5)

Prescription Eyewear – Authorization/Order Form



(PLEASE PRINT AND PRESS FIRMLY)
Authorization/Order Form
Prescription Safety Wear

52986 DATE

COMPANY				EMPLOYEE INFORMATION				DELIVER TO			
752112				EMPLOYEE NAME							
University of MO - EHS Dept.				SOC. SEC. #		EMPLOYEE #					
#8 Research Park Dev. Bldg.				DEPT. #		LOCATION					
Columbia MO 65211-3050				PO. NUMBER							
SEC. I — LENS CHOICE	COMPANY PAYS	PAYROLL DEDUCT	EMPLOYEE PAYS	NOT ALLOWED	SEC. IV — LENS OPTIONS & ENHANCEMENTS (add to package price)			COMPANY PAYS	PAYROLL DEDUCT	EMPLOYEE PAYS	NOT ALLOWED
SINGLE VISION	X				ANTI-REFLECTIVE COATING					29.00	
BIFOCAL	X				UV COATING (GLASS OR PLASTIC)					0.00	
TRIFOCAL	X				VDT					35.00	
PROGRESSIVE	X		41.00		INDOOR TINT 1					6.00	
SEC. II — FRAME CHOICE					INDOOR TINT 2					6.00	
STANDARD	Included				OUTDOOR SHADE 3						X
GROUP #1—IMPROVED			9.00		GRADIENT TINT						X
GROUP #2—FASHION			19.00		PHOTOCHROMIC (GLASS)						X
GROUP #3—CLASSIC			29.00		TRANSITIONS (PLASTIC PHOTOCHROMIC)						X
GROUP #4—PREMIUM			39.00		EXECUTIVE MULTIFOCALS					35.00	
GROUP #5—ELITE			49.00		PROGRESSIVE					See sec. I	
SEC. III — SERVICES					DOUBLE SEGMENTS					49.00	
EYE EXAM			X		LARGE SEGMENTS					12.00	
DISPENSING FEE	X										
HANDLING			0.85								
SECTION I — TOTAL					SECTION II — TOTAL						GRAND TOTAL
					SECTION I — TOTAL (CARRY OVER)						
SIDESHIELDS		REQUIRED	OPTIONAL	ORDER SENT ▼	SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS:			TOTALS ▶			
PERMANENT			X								
DETACHABLE			X	FAX							▲ CO-PAY DUE
WIRE			X	MAIL							
LENS MATERIALS		ALLOWED	NOT ALLOWED	PHONE							
GLASS		X		DATE							
PLASTIC		X									
POLYCARBONATE		X									

Professional Signature _____ AMX VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER (CIRCLE ONE)
 Telephone (_____) _____ Credit Card # _____ Exp. Date _____
 Signature _____ Date _____

DISTANCE	R	SPHERE		CYLINDER		AXIS	PRISM	BASE	DECENTER		LENS COLOR	CIRCLE CHOICE			
	L	LOWER	UPPER	P.D.		FAR	NEAR	CIRCLE CHOICE		CLEAR		PLASTIC LENSES	GLASS LENSES	POLY LENSES	
ADD	R							BIFOCAL TYPE		TRIFOCAL TYPE		DUAL SEG TYPE			
	L							FT25 FT28 FT35		7 X 25 7 X 28		DD25 DD28			
FRAME STYLE OR NO.								EXEC PROG		7 X 35 EXEC		EXEC			
FRAME MADE BY		SIDE SHIELD TYPE		NEAR SEG. HEIGHT		OVERALL TRIFOCAL HEIGHT				OTHER _____		OTHER _____			
FRAME COLOR										P GRAY X		OTHER			
EYE SIZE		BRIDGE SIZE		TEMPLE LENGTH & STYLE				MUST HAVE P.D. FOR ALL RX'S		MUST HAVE SEG. HEIGHT FOR ALL MULTIFOCALS		FURNISH FRAME			
												FRAME ENCLOSED			
												LENSES ONLY			
EMPLOYEE RECEIPT ACKNOWLEDGED						PURCHASE AUTHORIZED BY						COMPANY AUTHORIZES EYE EXAM			
EMPLOYEE						DATE						AUTHORIZED EMPLOYER AGENT SIGNATURE		Y N	

ORDER COPY

EMPLOYEE APPLICATION FOR PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR

**Please complete this form and hand carry it to:
University Optical
DO NOT MAIL**

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION:

Date: _____

Name: _____

Title: _____

Dept: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____

Describe the duties you perform which expose you to eye hazards:

Are prescription lenses needed? _____

Employee's department will be billed for required safety eye protection.

SUPERVISOR APPROVAL	
Signature: _____	Phone Number _____
Account Code to be billed to: _____	

EH&S 6/00

INSTRUCTIONS DISPENSERS OPTICAL SERVICE ORDER FORM

EMPLOYEE INFORMATION

- Fill in employee name
- Fill in employee social security number
- Fill in department phone number and department name

SECTION I & SECTION II & III

- **WILL BE COMPLETED BY UNIVERSITY OPTICAL STAFF**
- A \$10 dispensing fee will be charged to the department for each order.

SIDESHIELDS

- If your department requires **permanently** attached side shields you should draw several lines through the **X** in the column “Optional”. Then place an **X** in the required column and initial next to the **X**.
- You must also fill in the box labeled “Side Shield Type” on the lower half of the form. Write in **PERMANENT**.

LENS MATERIAL

- **WILL BE COMPLETED BY UNIVERSITY OPTICAL STAFF**

SECTION IV – LENS OPTIONS & ENHANCEMENTS

- **WILL BE COMPLETED BY UNIVERSITY OPTICAL STAFF, HOWEVER, THE DEPARTMENT MAY PAY FOR LENS OPTIONS & ENHANCEMENTS**

Lens options will be discussed with the staff member. If the staff member elects to take any of these options then it will be at the employee’s expense. If the department wishes to pay for any of the options in this section you may cross off the price in the “Employee Pays” column and rewrite the price in the “Company Pays” column. You must also initial by this charge on the form.

An authorized staff member **MUST** sign the form in the “Purchase Authorized By” box at the very bottom of the form.

VERY IMPORTANT—PLEASE EXPLAIN TO THE STAFF MEMBER THE EMPLOYEE PORTION OF THE PAYMENT WILL BE EXPECTED AT THE TIME THAT UNIVERSITY OPTICAL STAFF COMPLETE THE ORDER FORM. PAYMENT MUST BE EITHER CHECK OR CASH.

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS TO BRING TO UNIVERSITY OPTICAL

- Prescription from Eye Doctor/Optomtrist
- Employee Application for Protective Eyewear signed by Supervisor (You may copy the application on the reverse of this form)
- Dispensers Optical Authorization/Order Form with signature of

CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS.

July 1, 1998

CAMPUS FACILITIES DIRECTIVE NO. 214A

SUBJECT: **Protective Footwear Policy** (Service and Maintenance)

PURPOSE: To establish clear and consistent guidelines regarding purchasing and requiring protective footwear.

1. General Requirements

- A. Campus Facilities employees shall wear protective footwear when working in areas where there is a danger of foot injuries due to falling or rolling objects, or objects piercing the sole, and where employee's feet are exposed to electrical hazards.
- B. Campus Facilities employees not required to wear protective footwear shall wear full enclosed shoes/boots constructed of leather uppers. No cloth or open toe footwear is allowed.
- C. Protective footwear shall comply with ANSI Z41-1991 "American National Standard for Personal Protection-Protective Footwear."
- D. Protective footwear is defined by the directive as shoes and boots including insoles. All other shoe accessories such as replacement of shoestrings, polish, etc, are employee's responsibility.

2. Determining Who Should Wear Protective Footwear

- A. Certain job classifications by the nature of the work require protective footwear.
- B. Other job classifications may or may not require protective footwear. Departmental directors working with the safety director will determine what other job classifications are required to wear protective footwear.
- C. The type of protective footwear to be worn by the employee is a function of the employee's job duties and exposure to injury. The employee's supervisor, department director, and the Campus Facilities Safety Director will determine what type of protective footwear shall be worn.

3. Purchasing of Protective Footwear

- A. Campus Facilities departments will provide up to a maximum subsidy of \$100.00 per fiscal year toward the purchase of protective footwear for "eligible" employees working in a job classification requiring footwear. Eligible employees are full time employees who have successfully completed their probationary or qualifying period.
- B. New full time employees working in job classifications that require protective footwear will be required to furnish protective footwear until such time as they become "eligible" (completed their probationary or qualifying period) for the \$100.00 per fiscal year maximum subsidy.
- C. Temporary and student employees that are hired to work in jobs requiring protective footwear must provide protective footwear at their own expense.

4. Replacing Protective Footwear

- A. Campus Facilities departments will provide up to a maximum subsidy of \$100.00 per fiscal year for replacing protective footwear.
- B. Protective footwear that becomes worn or damaged and no longer provides the required safety protection, must be replaced.
 - 1. It is the employee's responsibility to replace such footwear.
 - 2. It is the employee's supervisor's responsibility to continually assess the condition of his/her employees protective footwear.
- C. After the second issue of protective footwear and for subsequent issues of protective footwear, the employee may be required to turn in a worn-out or damaged pair of protective footwear to receive the shoe subsidy.

5. Wearing of Protective Footwear

- A. Protective footwear, the purchase of which has been subsidized by Campus Facilities, is not to be worn for activities off the job other than going to and from work.
- B. Failure to wear protective footwear when required will result in appropriate disciplinary action, including absence without pay until such time that protective footwear is acquired.

Alan R. Warden
Assistant Vice Chancellor

PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR

Effective: July 1, 1998

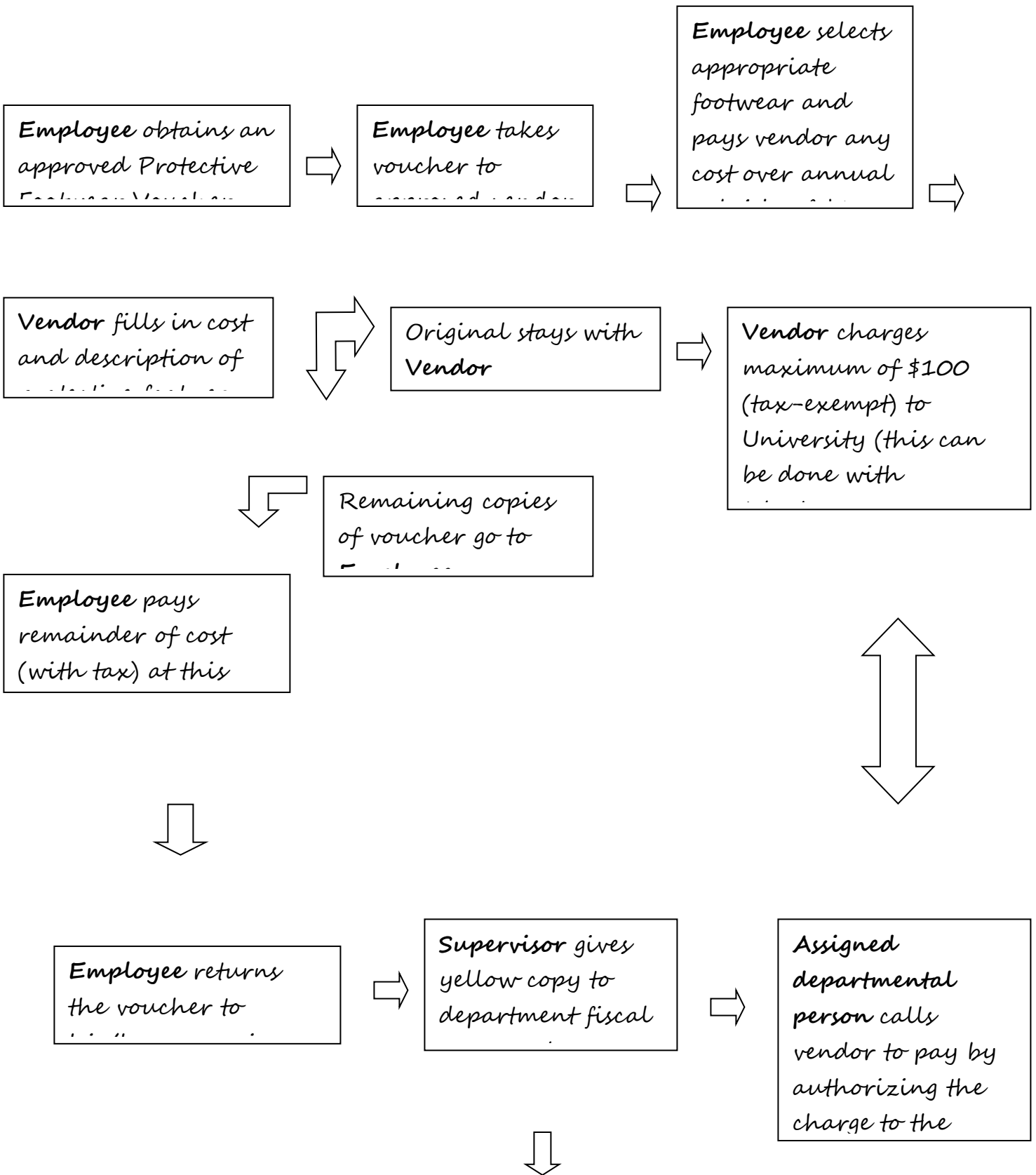
FIRST AND SECOND ISSUANCE OF PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR TO EMPLOYEE

1. Supervisor fills out Protective Footwear Voucher, including the type of protective footwear required for job classification.
2. Manager reviews voucher for accuracy and gives approval with signature.
3. Employee obtains protective footwear from approved shoe truck vendors:
 - A. Employee signs voucher and pays any additional costs over annual subsidy of \$100 to vendor. Employees will be charged tax on any additional costs over subsidy allowance.
 - B. Shoe truck vendor fills in cost and description of protective footwear, keeps original copy of voucher and gives remaining copies of voucher back to employee.
 - C. Employee returns voucher to his/her supervisor.
 - D. Supervisor keeps the green supervisor copy, gives employee gold copy, sends department fiscal pink copy to the departmental accounting area, and personnel yellow copy to C.F. Personnel Office.
4. Employee obtains protective footwear from sources other than approved shoe truck vendor:
 - A. Employee shows vendor shoe voucher, stressing the protective footwear required for his/her job classification. It is the employee's responsibility to obtain footwear that meets the requirements for his/her job classification.
 - B. Employee pays vendor full amount including tax for protective footwear.
 - C. Employee fills out voucher showing amount paid and returns voucher with original receipt of purchase to his/her supervisor.
 - D. Supervisor inspects protective footwear for conformance to job classification requirements. Supervisor keeps the green supervisor copy of voucher, gives employee gold copy, sends department fiscal pink copy along with paid receipt to departmental accounting office, and personnel yellow copy to C.F. Personnel.
 - E. Departmental accounting office will process receipt of shoe purchase to reimburse employee for up to the maximum annual subsidy of \$100 per fiscal year, not including tax. All taxes are paid by employee.

THIRD AND SUBSEQUENT ISSUANCE OF PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR TO EMPLOYEE

1. Employee requests protective footwear and shows proof (worn-out or damaged pair of protective footwear) to supervisor.
2. Supervisor labels protective footwear as needing replacement by punching hole in tongues of shoes with hole punch.
3. Supervisor and employee follow procedures 1 through 4 under First and Second Issuance of Protective Footwear.

Purchase of Protective Footwear From Approved Vendors



Pink copy
to
Employee

Protective Footwear – Voucher, MU/Campus Facilities

UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR VOUCHER *Campus Facilities*

EMPLOYEE NAME (Print): _____

EMPLOYEE SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER: _____ - - - - _____ - - - - _____

EMPLOYEE TITLE: _____

EMPLOYEE DEPARTMENT: _____

MINIMUM APPROVED PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR *(To be checked by Supervisor)*

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Slip Resistant (A) | <input type="checkbox"/> Steel/Composition Toe (B) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Resistant (C) | <input type="checkbox"/> 6" Height Minimum (D) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Electrical Hazard Footwear (E) | <input type="checkbox"/> Full Leather Upper (F) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Metatarsal Protection Footwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Static Dissipative Footwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Temperature Insulated Footwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Resistant Footwear |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sole Puncture Footwear | <input type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Defined Heel</u> |

VENDOR: _____ PURCHASE ORDER NUMBER _____

AMOUNT

PROTECTIVE FOOTWEAR CHARGE _____ - ~~270.00~~ = _____

ACCESSORIES CHARGE _____
(please itemize)

Style _____

Size _____

SUBTOTAL: _____

SALES TAX: _____

TOTAL: _____

I authorize the above named employee to obtain the above described Protective Footwear.

SUPERVISOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

MANAGER'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

I have received the above described Protective Footwear and by my signature, I am aware that protective footwear must be worn at all time while performing my job duties at Campus Facilities.

EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

This voucher authorizes the above employee to select one pair of Approved Protective Footwear, as described above, from an approved Protective Footwear vendor. This voucher ~~cannot be used for other items~~ may be used for the sole purpose of purchasing Protective Footwear for use by the employee named above. This voucher may not be used to purchase any other items from vendor such as socks, mink oil, silicone, insoles, etc. Any employee who falsifies this form shall be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with University Policy.

Original-Vendor, Supervisor-Green, Personnel-Yellow, Department Fiscal-Pink, Employee-Gold

Types of Gloves and the Protection Examples: Type of GLOVE	PROTECTS AGAINST
Rubber	Acids, bases, caustics, solvents, diluted-water solutions of chemicals, alcohol: <i>High resistance to cuts</i>
Canvas ,Cloth, or Leather	Dirt, wood splinters, sharp edges
Metal Mesh	High resistance to cuts and scratches
Insulated	Electrical charges
Insulated	Heat and cold extremes
Heat-resistant	Heat and Flames
Hypoallergenic and powder free	Skin problems in workers with allergies
Cuffed	Liquid trickling down into the glove

Special Materials for Gloves	PROTECTION
Nitrile (synthetic rubber)	Oils, many solvents, esters, grease, and animal fat; <i>High resistance to cuts and abrasions</i>
Neoprene	Broad range of chemicals, oils, acids, caustics and solvents; <i>less resistant to cuts, punctures and abrasions than nitrile.</i>
Polyvinyl Chlorine (PVC)	Acids, caustics, alkalis, bases and alcohol; <i>Good abrasion and cut resistance</i> <i>** some types of PVC are susceptible to cuts</i>
Polyvinyl Alcohol (PVA)	Aromatics, chlorinated solvents, esters, and most ketones; <i>Resists cuts, punctures and abrasion</i> <i>** some PVA breaks down when exposed to water and light alcohol</i>
Ethylene vinyl alcohol (EVOH), also called flat flim	Highly resistant to chemicals and hazardous materials; <i>Little or no resistance to cuts and tears (usually worn as a liner under PVC or Nitrile)</i>

Butyl	Acetone and dimethyl formamide; Not useful against cuts, punctures and abrasions
Vitron	Benzene, methylene chloride and carbon disulfide; Little resistance to cuts, punctures and abrasion

Proper Fit, Care and Maintenance of Hand Protection

1. Check gloves for cracks, and holes, especially at the tips and between the fingers
2. Replace worn or damaged gloves promptly.
3. Keep gloves clean and dry.
4. Make sure gloves fit properly -- a small glove tires the hand and a large one is clumsy to work in.
5. Check MSDS sheets or contact your supervisor for any chemical you handle to see if a particular glove is needed
6. Cover all cuts before you put on your gloves.

April 6, 2000

CAMPUS FACILITIES DIRECTIVE NO. 215

SUBJECT: Personal protective equipment "hand and arm protection"

PURPOSE: To provide guidelines for the requirements of wearing hand and arm protection and acquiring such protective gear.

1. Employees will be required to use appropriate hand and arm protection when they are assigned to work in areas, or on tasks that expose them to potential hazards. Examples: Skin absorption of harmful chemicals, severe cuts, severe lacerations, severe abrasions, or punctures, chemicals or thermal burns, and extreme temperature; as well as rubber goods for electrical work. See personal protective equipment rules.
2. Requests for protective gear are to be made by the employee to his/her immediate supervisor. The supervisor and employee will determine the type of protective gear required. The supervisor will furnish the appropriate protective gear to the employee.

No one type of hand or arm protection provides protection against all potential hazards. It is the responsibility of each department to determine the scope and degree of potential hazards as related to specific tasks and to provide gear that is appropriate for that hazard.

3. Failure to wear protective equipment when required may result in disciplinary action.

ACTION: The guidelines set forth are effective immediately and all departments in Campus Facilities must be in full compliance with this directive by May 1, 2000.

Alan R. Warden
Asst. Vice Chancellor-Facilities

JOB HAZARD ANALYSIS FORM

JOB TITLE:

DATE OF ANALYSIS:

JOB LOCATION:

STEP	HAZARD	CAUSE	PREVENTIVE MEASURE

Work Area - Task Hazard Assessment Worksheet

Work Areas _____ Completed By _____

Tasks _____ Date _____

List the Specific Hazard in each block below

	Eyes/Face	Head	Torso/Back	Leg/Ankle/ Foot/Toes	Arm/Hand/ Wrist/Fingers	Breathing	Skin	Hearing dB
(1) Impact - Crushing								
(2) Impact - Flying Objects								
(3) Impact - Overhead								
(4) Piercing								
(5) Laceration								
(6) Skin Exposure								
(7) Amputation								
(8) Dust - Mist - Fume								
(9) Electrical								
(10) Sprains/Strai ns								
(11)Slips/Trips/Falls								
(12)Noise								
(13)Chemical								
(14)People								
(15)Other								

Work Area -Task Hazard Prevention & Control Work Sheet

To be completed after Hazard Assessment Worksheet

Work Areas _____ Conducted By _____

Tasks _____ Date _____

Note: Respiratory & Ergonomic Assessments are conducted under separate programs

List the Specific Hazard Control Method in each block below

	SPECIFIC HAZARD	REQUIRED PPE	ENGINEERING CONTROLS	ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROLS	ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS	NOTES
Head						
Eyes / Face						
Skin						
Hand						
Foot						
Hearing						

Report of Injury

Check Box if this is a Near Miss

Days You Work Per Week _____

Time of Day Work Began _____ a.m./p.m.

EMPLOYEE SECTION: (Use back of page for additional comments.)				
Name:		SSN:		Department:
Date of Incident:	Time: A.M. <input type="checkbox"/> P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	Location:		Body Part/s:
Task You Were Doing:			What Injured You?	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Treatment	<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Only – Who gave you treatment? <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor <input type="checkbox"/> Other Employee		<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Treatment – Where? <input type="checkbox"/> E.R. <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Care	
Incident Type:				
<input type="checkbox"/> Slip, Fall – Same Level	<input type="checkbox"/> Slip, Fall – Different Level	<input type="checkbox"/> Caught In, On, or Between	<input type="checkbox"/> Abrasion / Cut / Puncture	<input type="checkbox"/> Overexertion – Strains / Sprain
		<input type="checkbox"/> Struck By or Struck Against	<input type="checkbox"/> Burn – Chemical or Heat	<input type="checkbox"/> Contact with Electrical Current
		<input type="checkbox"/> Inhalation	<input type="checkbox"/> Ingestion	<input type="checkbox"/> Absorption
		<input type="checkbox"/> Bites / Stings	Exposure to: <input type="checkbox"/> Temperature Extremes <input type="checkbox"/> Chemicals <input type="checkbox"/> Dusts / Particles	
Comments:				
***** Thanks for reporting your injury, please sign and date this and give it to your immediate supervisor today. *****				
Injured Signature/Date: _____				

SUPERVISOR SECTION:	Incident / Accident Cause:
<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of Knowledge, Experience, or Skill	<input type="checkbox"/> Human or Physical Limitation
<input type="checkbox"/> No PPE Available	<input type="checkbox"/> Faulty Tool or Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/> PPE Available But Not Used	<input type="checkbox"/> Unguarded Machine
* Understood the Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	* Understood the Hazard <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Condition – What? _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Condition Beyond Your Control – Explain? _____	
Corrective Action:	




- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended employee see a doctor. | <input type="checkbox"/> Provided PPE. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provided training (date) _____. | <input type="checkbox"/> Replaced / Repaired equipment. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Posted warning signs. | <input type="checkbox"/> Counseled employee (date) _____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed identified hazard. | <input type="checkbox"/> Will schedule employee for training
_____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment taken out of service and tagged. | <input type="checkbox"/> Requested repairs from: _____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Will fix identified hazard by (date)
_____. | <input type="checkbox"/> Will send hazard information to my superior. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (Explain in space provided or on back.) | <input type="checkbox"/> None. |

Additional information or comments:

SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE AND DATE:

Forward to Campus Facilities, Personnel, Department

**Checklist B:
Need for PPE**

Suggested Questions	Typical Operations of Concern	Yes	No
 Eyes			
Do employees perform tasks, or work near employees who perform tasks, that might produce airborne dust or flying particles?	Sawing, cutting, drilling, sanding, grinding, hammering, chopping, abrasive blasting, and punch press operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees handle, or work near employees who handle, hazardous liquid chemicals or encounter blood splashes?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, dip tank operations, and dental and health care services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' eyes exposed to other potential physical or chemical irritants?	Battery charging, installing fiberglass insulation, and compressed air or gas operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees exposed to intense light or lasers?	Welding, cutting, and laser operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Face			
Do your employees handle, or work near employees who handle, hazardous liquid chemicals?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, and dip tank operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' faces exposed to extreme heat?	Welding, pouring molten metal, smithing, baking, cooking, and drying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' faces exposed to other potential irritants?	Cutting, sanding, grinding, hammering, chopping, pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, and syphoning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Head			
Might tools or other objects fall from above and strike your employees on the head?	Work stations or traffic routes located under catwalks or conveyor belts, construction, trenching, and utility work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PPE Needs Checklist

Safety Action Memo

Date: _____

ACTION REQUEST:

The Situation:

Date Action Taken: _____ *Sent To:* _____

Response Date: _____

Response: _____

Forwarded To: _____ *Date:* _____

2nd Date of Response: _____

Response: _____

FINAL ACTION: _____

PENDING: Y/N

Complete Y/N

Job Safety Analysis

Job Title: _____

Job Description: _____

Date Conducted: _____

Number of Task Cycles Per ? : _____

Task Step	Task	Hazard Control Method
1.		
2.		
3.		

4.		
5.		
6.		
7.		

Safety Inspection Checklist

Inspected By: _____ Date: _____

1. WORKSITE INFORMATION:

(Mark N/A as appropriate)

- Posting OSHA and other work site working posters _____
- Are Safety Meetings conducted periodically? When was the last meeting? _____
- First aid equipment properly stocked _____
- Are work site injury records being kept? _____
- Are emergency telephone numbers conspicuously posted? _____
- Is the EMERGENCY INFORMATION form posted? (Page 8) _____

Describe Violation – Location – Remedy Taken

2. HOUSEKEEPING AND SANITATION:

- Are emergency lights fully operational? _____
- General neatness of working areas _____
- Regular disposal of waste and trash _____
- Passageways and walkways clear _____
- Waste containers provided and used _____
- Sanitary facilities adequate and clean _____
- Adequate supply of water _____
- Adequate lighting _____
- Trash receptacle for drinking cups _____
- Are handrails and stair treads in good repair? _____
- Is smoking restricted to certain locations? _____
- Are electrical cords and plugs in good condition? _____
- Is a clearance of 3' maintained around hot water heaters
electric breaker panels, heating units, and fire sprinkler riser? _____
- Are electric circuit breakers free of obstructions?

Describe Violation – Location – Remedy Taken

3. FIRE PREVENTION:

- Fire instructions to personnel _____
- Fire extinguishers identified, accessible and fully charged _____
- “No Smoking” signs posted where needed — and enforced _____
- Good housekeeping _____
- Storage, use and handling of flammables properly done _____
- Gasoline contained in UL Listed containers _____

Describe Violation – Location – Remedy Taken

4. Handling and Storage of Materials

Are materials properly stored and stacked

Are passageways cleared

Shelves in stockrooms in good repair and properly anchored

Stacks on firm footing – not too high

Are employees lifting loads correctly

Are materials protected from weather conditions

Exit and stairway areas free of stored flammable liquids

Describe violation – Location – Remedy Taken

5. Hand Tools

Proper tools used for jobs

Electric tools grounded

Neat storage, safe carrying

Inspection and maintenance

Describe Violation -- Location - Remedy Taken

6. Personal Protective Equipment

Eye protection

Respirators and masks

Helmets, hoods, head protection

Gloves, apron, sleeves

Hearing protection

Safety harnesses and Lifeline

Shirts are to be worn

Back-support belts

Describe Violation - Location - Remedy Taken

7. Hazardous Materials

MSDS binder available for supplies with hazardous chemicals

MSDS "Available on Request" signs posted conspicuously

Is the hazardous waste inventory log maintained

Are hazardous waste storage areas inspected weekly

Is the hazardous material dispositioning log maintained

All containers identified clearly

Proper storage practices observed

Proper storage temperatures and protection

Proper types and number of extinguishers nearby

**Describe Violation – Location – Remedy Taken
Unsafe Acts and/or Practices Observed**

Safety and Health Program Manual Review & Updates

DATE:

DESCRIPTION: *Manual review*

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

DESCRIPTION:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

DESCRIPTION:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

DESCRIPTION:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

DESCRIPTION:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:

DESCRIPTION:

SIGNATURE:

SAFETY SUGGESTION FORM

NAME: _____ DATE: _____

DESCRIPTION OF UNSAFE CONDITION OR PRACTICE:

CAUSE OR CONTRIBUTING FACTORS:

SUGGESTION FOR IMPROVING SAFETY:

Draw a picture to describe situation:

Welding Protection Recommendations

OPERATION	RECOMMENDED PROTECTION
Acetylene Burning, Cutting, Welding	Eye cup or Cover-type goggles with tinted lenses
Electric Arc Welding	Welding Helmet over safety glasses
Furnace Operations	Eye cup or Cover-type goggles with tinted glass

WELDING OPERATIONS	Suggested Shade Number ****
Shielded Metal-Arc Welding up to 5/32 inch electrodes	10
Shielded Metal-Arc Welding 3/15 - 1/4 inch electrodes	12
Shielded Metal-Arc Welding over 1/4 inch electrodes	14
Gas Metal-Arc Welding (non-ferrous)	11
Gas Metal-Arc Welding (ferrous)	12
Torch Soldering	2
Torch Brazing	3 or 4
Light Cutting up to one inch	3 or 4
Medium Cutting, 1-6 inches	4 or 5
Heavy Cutting, over 6 inches	5 or 6
Gas Welding (light) up to 1/8 inch	4 or 5
Gas Welding (medium) 1/8 to 1/2 inch	5 or 6
Gas Welding (heavy) over 1/2 inch	6 or 8

**** The Choice of a filter shade may be made based on visual acuity and may vary

Contact Lenses Warning:

The wearing of Contact Lenses in hazardous locations is discouraged

No current studies suggest a higher incident of eye injuries to contact lens wearers. However, when hazards exist from dusts, vapors, mists, fumes, radiant heat, molten metal, or chemicals they should not be worn. The wearing of contacts can result in increased irritation; materials trapped behind them, and increased eye injury from burns. Safety eyewear is required by contact lens wearers and therefore covered by the prescription eyewear policy. Some employees elect to remove their lenses when necessary and don prescription glasses.

Whenever irritation or discomfort exists it is important to remove the contacts immediately.

Checklist for General Work-Site Inspections

Y _ N_ N/A

1. Are emergency telephone numbers posted where they can be readily found in case of emergency?
2. Are signs concerning exiting from buildings, room capacities, floor loading, exposures to x-ray, microwave, or other harmful radiation or substances posted where appropriate?
3. Are "toolbox" or "tailgate" safety briefings conducted every 10 days or sooner if appropriate?
4. If medical and first aid facilities are not in close proximity of your workplace, is at least one employee on each shift currently qualified to render first aid?
5. Are emergency medical telephone numbers posted in a conspicuous location?
6. Are first-aid kits easily accessible to each work area, with necessary supplies available, periodically inspected and replenished as needed?
7. Have first-aid kit supplies been approved by a physician, indicating they are adequate for a particular area or operation?
8. Are means provided for quick drenching or flushing of the eyes and body in areas where corrosive liquids or materials are handled?
9. Do you have an emergency fire prevention plan in place?

10. Does your plan describe the type of fire protection equipment and/or systems in place?
11. Have you established practices and procedures to control potential fire hazards and ignition sources.
12. Are employees aware of the fire hazards of the materials and processes to which they are exposed?
13. Is your local fire department well acquainted with your facility's location and specific hazards?
14. If you have a fire alarm system, is it certified as required?

Y _ N_ N/A

15. If you have outside private fire hydrants, are they flushed at least once a year on a routine preventive maintenance schedule?
16. Are fire doors and shutters in good operating condition?
17. Are fire doors and shutters unobstructed and protected against obstructions, including their counterweights?
18. Are fire door and shutter fusible links in place?
19. Are portable fire extinguishers provided in adequate number and type?
20. Are fire extinguishers mounted in readily accessible locations?

21. Are fire extinguishers recharged regularly and noted on the inspection tag?
22. Are employees periodically instructed in the proper selection and use of extinguishers and fire protection procedures?
23. Are approved safety glasses required to be worn at all times in areas where there is risk of eye injuries such as punctures, abrasions, contusions or burns?
24. Are employees who need corrective lenses (glasses, contact lenses) in working environments with harmful exposures, required to wear only approved safety glasses, protective goggles, or to use other medically approved precautionary procedures?
25. Are protective gloves, aprons, shields, or other means provided against cuts, corrosive liquids and chemicals?
26. Is appropriate foot protection required where there is a risk of foot injuries from hot, corrosive, poisonous substances, falling objects, crushing or penetrating actions?
27. Are approved respirators provided for regular or emergency use where needed?
28. Is all protective equipment maintained in a sanitary condition and ready for use?

Y _ N_ N/A

29. Do you have eye-wash facilities and a quick-drench shower within a work area where

employees are exposed to injurious corrosive materials?

30. *When lunches are eaten on the premises, are they eaten in areas where there is no exposure to toxic materials or other health hazards?*
31. *Are adequate work procedures, protective clothing and equipment provided and used when cleaning up spilled toxic or otherwise hazardous materials or liquids?*
32. *Are all worksites clean and orderly?*
33. *Are work surfaces kept dry and appropriate means taken to assure the surfaces are slip-resistant?*
34. *Are all spilled materials or liquids cleaned up immediately?*
35. *Is combustible scap, debris and waste stored safely and removed from the worksite promptly?*
36. *Are covered metal waste cans used for oily and paint-soaked waste?*
37. *Are the minimum number of toilets and washing facilities provided (e.g. is potable water available; are toilet facilities provided for non-mobile work crews?)*
38. *Are all toilets and washing facilities clean and sanitary?*
39. *Are all work areas adequately illuminated?*
40. *Are pits and floor openings covered or otherwise guarded?*

41. Are aisles and passageways kept clear? Are permanent aisles/walkways adequately marked?
42. Are aisles and walkways marked as appropriate?
43. Are wet surfaces covered with non-slip materials?
44. Are holes in the floor, sidewalk or other walking surface repaired properly, covered or otherwise made safe?

Y _ N_ N/A

45. Are spilled materials cleaned up immediately?
46. Are materials or equipment stored in such a way that sharp projectives will not interfere with the walkway?
47. Are changes of direction or elevations readily identifiable?
48. Is adequate headroom provided for the entire length of any aisle or walkway?
49. Are standard guardrails provided wherever aisle or walkway surfaces are elevated more than 30 inches above any adjacent floor or the ground?
50. Is the glass in windows, doors, glass walls, which are subject to human impact, of sufficient thickness and type for the condition of use?

51. Are standard stair rails or handrails on all stairways having four or more risers?
52. Are all stairways at least 22 inches wide?
53. Do stairs have at least a 6'6" overhead clearance?
54. Are stairway handrails located between 30 and 34 inches above the leading edge of stair treads?
55. Do stairway handrails have at least 1-1/2 inches clearance between the handrails and the wall or surface they are mounted on?
56. Are stairway handrails capable of withstanding a load of 200 pounds, applied in any direction?
57. Do stairway landings have a dimension measured in the direction of travel, at least equal to the width of the stairway?
58. Are surfaces elevated more than 30 inches above the floor or ground provided with standard guardrails?
59. Are all exits marked with an exit sign and illuminated by a reliable light source?

Y _ N_ N/A

60. Are the directions to exits, when not immediately apparent, marked with visible signs?

61. Are doors, passageways or stairways, that are neither exits nor access to exits and which could be mistaken for exits, appropriately marked "NOT AN EXIT", "TO BASEMENT," "STOREROOM," etc.?
62. Are exit signs provided with the word "EXIT" in lettering at least 5 inches high and the stroke of the lettering at least 1/2 inch wide?
63. Are exit doors side-hinged?
64. Are all exits kept free of obstruction?
65. Are there sufficient exits to permit prompt escape in case of emergency?
66. Are doors which are required to serve as exits designed and constructed so that the way of exit travel is obvious and direct?
67. Are exit doors able to be opened from the direction of exit travel, without the use of a key or any special knowledge or effort, when the building is occupied?
68. Is the work area's ventilation system appropriate for work being performed?
69. Are employees instructed in the proper manner of lifting heavy objects?
70. Are combustible scrap, debris and waste materials (i.e. oily rags) stored in covered metal receptacles and removed from the worksite promptly?
71. Are employees trained in the safe handling practices of hazardous chemicals such as acids, caustics, and the like?

72. Are employees aware of the potential hazards involving various chemicals stored or used in the workplace such as acids, bases, epoxies, solvents, etc.?

Y _ N_ N/A

73. Is employee exposure to chemicals kept below permissible exposure limits?

74. Are eye wash stations and safety showers provided in areas where corrosive chemicals are handled?

75. Have standard operating procedures been established and are they being followed when cleaning up chemical spills?

76. Where needed for emergency use, are respirators stored in a convenient, clean and sanitary location?

77. Are respirators intended for emergency use adequate for the various uses for which they may be needed?

78. Are employees prohibited from eating in areas where hazardous chemicals are present?

79. Is personal protective equipment provided, used and maintained whenever necessary, and is it selected based on its protective properties for specific chemicals?

80. Is there a Material Safety Data Sheet readily available for each hazardous substance used?

81. Is there an employee training program for hazardous substances?
82. Does this training program include an explanation of what an MSDS is and how to use and obtain one?
83. Does this training program include MSDS contents for each hazardous substance or class of substances?
84. Does this training program include an explanation of "Right-to-Know?"
85. Does this training program identify where employees can see the employer's written hazard communication program and where hazardous substances are present in their work area?

Y _ N_ N/A

86. Does this training program identify physical and health hazards of substances in the work area, how to detect their presence, and specific protective measures to be used?
87. Does this training program provide details of the hazard communication program including how to use the labeling system and MSDS.
88. Are electrical appliances such as vacuum cleaners, polishers, vending machines grounded?

89. Do extension cords being used have a grounding conductor?
90. Are multiple plug adapters prohibited?
91. Is exposed wiring and cords with frayed or deteriorated insulation repaired or replaced promptly?
92. Are flexible cords and cables free of splices or taps?
93. Are all cord, cable and raceway connections intact and secure?
94. In wet or damp locations, are electrical tools and equipment appropriate for the use or location, or otherwise protected?
95. Are all disconnecting switches and circuit breakers labeled to indicate their use or equipment served?
96. Do all interior wiring systems include provisions for grounding metal parts or electrical raceways, equipment and enclosures?
97. Are all electrical raceways and enclosures securely fastened in place?
98. Are all energized parts of electrical circuits and equipment guarded against accidental contact by approved cabinets or enclosures?
99. Are all unused openings (including conduit knockouts) in electrical enclosures and fittings closed with appropriate covers, plugs or plates?

Y _ N _ N/A

100. Are electrical enclosures such as switches, receptacles, junction boxes provided with tight-fitting covers or plates?
101. Is there safe clearance for equipment through aisles and doorways?
102. Are aisles designated, permanently marked, and kept clear to allow unhindered passage?
103. Are dock boards used when loading or unloading operations are taking place between vehicles and docks?
104. Are trucks and trailers attended and secured from movement during loading and unloading operations?
105. Are dock plates and loading ramps constructed and maintained with sufficient strength to support imposing loading?
106. Are hand trucks maintained in safe operating condition?
107. Are chutes equipped with sideboards of sufficient height to prevent the materials being handled from falling off?
108. Are employee transport vehicles equipped at all times with at least two reflective-type flares?

109. Is a fully-charged fire extinguisher, in good condition, with appropriate rating maintained in each employee transport vehicle?
110. When cutting tools with sharp edges are carried in passenger compartments of employee transport vehicles, are they placed in closed boxes or containers which are secured in place?
111. Are employees prohibited from riding on top of any load which can shift, topple, or otherwise become unstable?
112. Are employees prohibited from smoking or eating in any area where contaminants are present that could be injurious if ingested?

Y _ N_ N/A

113. Have emergency escape procedures and routes been developed and communicated to all employees?
114. Is the employee alarm system that provides a warning for emergency action recognizable and perceptible above the ambient conditions?
115. Are alarm systems properly maintained and tested regularly?
116. Is the emergency action plan reviewed and revised periodically?
117. Are employees trained and do they know their responsibilities for reporting emergencies?

118. Can the work be done using the larger muscles of the body?

119. Can the work be done without twisting or overly bending the lower back?

Appendix 2: Required Safety Programs

Compressed Gas Safety Program

Purpose

To ensure that employees handling compressed gases are knowledgeable about, and adequately trained in, the inherent hazards of compressed-gas cylinders and their contents, as well as the proper handling, storage, and use of same according to OSHA requirements.

Policy

This section of the safety manual covers requirements that must be followed in the use of all

compressed gases. In addition to the standard required work practices for inert gases, hazardous gases may require additional controls and work practices including, but not limited to: the use of gas cabinets; gas monitors; emergency shutoffs; proper equipment design; leak testing procedures; and the use of air-supplying respirators for certain highly toxic gases.

Hazards

Compressed gas cylinders can present a variety of physical and health hazards due to pressure and /or contents, including explosion, poisoning, and impact by containers, fire, asphyxiation and exposure-related illnesses. Compressed gases shall be received, handled and stored in a manner consistent with procedures herein. Compressed air shall not be used for cleaning or blow-down activities unless air pressure is regulated to **below 30 psig** and areas to be cleaned are free of others.

Hazard Control

Engineering Controls. Depending on types of potential hazard, engineered controls must be in place for certain applications of compressed gas.

Examples of engineering controls are:

- Flow Restrictors
- Fume hoods
- Gas Cabinets
- Gas cylinder storage areas
- Leak Monitors
- Scrubbers
- Smoke detectors
- Sprinkler systems
- Ventilation systems

Administrative Controls

- Employee training
- Identification of authorized employees
- Inspections and audits
- PPE, assignment and use
- Procedures for receipt, use and storage
- Segregation of gas containers
- Signs

Compressed Gas Cylinders

Inspection of compressed gas cylinders. Supervisors shall, to the extent that visual inspection will allow, determine that compressed gas cylinders under their control are in a safe condition. Visual and other inspections shall be conducted as prescribed in the Hazardous Materials Regulations of the Department of Transportation (49 CFR parts 171-179 and 14 CFR part 103). Where those regulations are not applicable, visual and other inspections shall be conducted in accordance with Compressed Gas Association Pamphlets C-6-1968 and C-8-1962, which are incorporated by reference as specified in Sec. 1910.6.

The in-plant handling, utilization and storage of all compressed gases in cylinders, portable tanks, rail tank cars, or motor vehicle cargo tanks shall be in accordance with Compressed Gas Association Pamphlet P-1-1965.

Safety relief devices for compressed gas containers. Compressed gas cylinders, portable tanks, and cargo tanks shall have pressure relief devices installed and maintained in accordance with Compressed Gas Association Pamphlets S-1.1-1963 and 1965 addenda and S-1.2-1963.

Compressed Gas Use Applications

Prior to use of any compressed gas, a review of the applicable requirement in the Engineering Controls and Safe Work Procedures section must be conducted.

- Class 1 Application - Use of Inert Gases - Gases which are non-flammable and non-toxic, but which may cause asphyxiation due to displacement of oxygen in poorly ventilated spaces.
- Class 2 Application - Use of Flammable, Low Toxicity - Gases which are flammable (at a concentration in air of 13% by volume or have a flammable range wider than 13% by volume), but act as non-toxic, simple asphyxiants (e.g. hydrogen, methane).
- Class 3 Application - Use of Pyrophoric Gases and Liquids - Gases or liquids that ignite spontaneously on contact with air at a temperature of 130 F or below.
- Class 4 Application - Use of Corrosive, Toxic, and Highly Toxic Gases - Gases that, at relatively low air-borne concentrations, may cause acute or chronic health effects.
- Class 5 Application - Use of Compressed Gases in Fume Hoods.

Gas Use Requirements - Engineering Applicability

Required Controls	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
Gas Cabinet	--	X ¹	X	X	--
Interlocks	X ²	X ²	X ²	X ²	X ²
Emergency Off Button			X	X	
Equipment Enclosed and Ventilated	--	X ¹	X	X	X
Smoke Detection	--	X ²	X ²	X ²	X ²
Sprinkler Protection	--	X ³	X ³	X ³	X ³
Emergency Power to Exhaust Ventilation	--	--	X ⁴	X ⁴	X ⁴
Pneumatic Shutoff Valve	--	X ⁵	X	X	X
Scrubber	--	--	--	X ²	X ²
Vacuum Pump Purge and Interlock	--	--	X	--	--
Flow Restricting Orifice	--	X	X	X	X
Ventilation Alarms	--	--	X	X	X
Eyewash and Showers	--	--	--	X ⁶	X ⁶
Purge Panel	--	--	X	X	X
Gas Monitor	--	--	X ⁸	X ⁸	X ⁸
Piping and Fittings	X	X	X	X	X
Hardware	X	X	X	X	X

Notes
X¹ Not required if flow-restricting orifice is installed in a cylinder valve. May be required for semiconductor applications
X² Based on the outcome of hazard review
X³ Required in lab and inside gas cabinet for new installations
X⁴ For new installations
X⁵ Typically not required, may be required for semiconductor applications
X⁶ For corrosive gases
X⁷ See Fume Hood Use
X⁸ See Gas Monitoring for details
X⁹ See Hazard Review
X¹⁰ See Cryogenic Liquid

Gas Use Requirements - Administrative & Procedural Applicability

Controls	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5
Hardware Review	--	X ⁹	X	X	X ⁹
Training	X	X	X	X	X
Hardware Information	X	X	X	X	X
Ordering Cylinders	X	X	X	X	X
Cylinder Receiving Procedures	X	X	X	X	X
Cylinder Leak Testing	--	--	X	X	--
Cylinder Storage Procedure	X	X	X	X	X
Cylinder Transport Procedures	X	X	X	X	X
Cylinder Shipping Procedures	X	X	X	X	X
Cylinder Changing Procedures	--	--	X	X	--
Pump Oil Change Procedures	--	--	--	X	--
Equipment Maintenance Procedures	X	X	X	X	X
Liquid Transfer Procedures	X ¹⁰	--	--	--	--
General Work Practices	X	X	X	X	X
Emergency Procedures	X	X	X	X	X

Engineering Controls / Design Considerations

The following list includes typical engineering controls referenced in the above “Gas Use Requirements” matrix. In some cases, Building Codes may require additional controls. Additional controls or deviations from the controls listed below may also be appropriate for the application, such as those required by the OSHA Process Safety Management Program or EPA’s Risk Management Program. Appropriate applicable controls should be identified through the hazard review process.

Gas Cabinets - With the exception of cylinders containing a non-toxic, flammable gas, and cylinders used in fume hood applications, hazardous gas cylinders must be housed in gas cylinder cabinets. These cabinets must be equipped with sprinkler protection, and must be constructed and ventilated according to State code requirements, which include but are not limited to, the need to provide 200 fpm airflow at the cabinet window.

Interlocks - In addition to automatic shutoff of gas flow due to loss of power or ventilation (described below), it is often appropriate for an automatic shutdown of gas flow due to conditions such as high system pressure, high gas delivery pressure, loss of vacuum, loss of cooling, or other conditions identified through the hazard review process.

Emergency Off - Where gases are used in gas cabinets, the emergency off buttons should be located at the lab doorway. Activation of this button will cause pneumatic valves to shut, stopping gas flow. Typically, this button should kill electrical power to hazardous lab equipment as well.

Equipment Enclosures and Ventilation - Experimental apparatus using hazardous gases should be contained in an enclosed and exhausted tool enclosure. These enclosures must be connected to the exhaust ventilation system. Ventilation rates must be sized to allow for 100 fpm of air flow through the largest open enclosure door. Mass flow controllers carrying hazardous gases must be housed in a separate ventilated enclosure (or in an enclosed compartment of a larger tool enclosure) so that 100 fpm exhaust flow is available at the largest open door to the enclosure. All components should be readily accessible for maintenance.

Smoke Detection - All areas using hazardous gases will have a smoke detector that is connected to the building alarm system. In certain cases, it may be necessary to interlock smoke detector activation with the shutdown of hazardous gas flow.

Sprinkler Protection - Where hazardous gases are contained in gas cabinets, sprinkler protection should be provided to the interior of the gas cabinet. In some cases, this protection is required by code. Sprinkler protection is recommended in all areas using hazardous materials.

Emergency Power - Emergency power is recommended for powering exhaust fans connected to hazardous gas enclosures. In certain cases, this protection is required.

Pneumatic Shutoff Valves - All corrosive, toxic, flammable, and pyrophoric gases will contain normally a closed pneumatic shutoff valve, rated for at least full cylinder pressure, and located immediately downstream of the cylinder valve. This valve will shut in the event of power failure, remote actuation of an emergency off button (see this topic), or other appropriate conditions such as hazardous gas alarm activation.

Scrubbers - When hazardous waste gases are generated, it is often advisable to treat/react these gases prior to exhaust from the building. This may involve the use of bubblers in a fume hood or sophisticated units for larger scale hazardous gas processes. Note: In some cases (e.g. minimal volumes of hazardous gases produced), scrubbers may be not necessary or even advisable. Where scrubbers are used, they must be carefully reviewed as part of the hazard review. Maintenance requirements and procedures need to be understood clearly and followed.

Vacuum Pumps - Vacuum pumps used for hazardous gases need to be carefully selected. Depending on the gases being pumped, special precautions may be necessary. For processes where pyrophoric gases are used, pumps need to be continuously purged with nitrogen, with loss of nitrogen flow causing the pyrophoric gas supply valves to close. Pumps used for oxygen service will need to be prepared for this service, which includes the elimination of hydrocarbon oils for use due to flammability concerns. In some cases, such as the use of highly toxic gases, vacuum pumps will need to be housed in a ventilated enclosure.

Flow Restrictors - A means to limit hazardous gas flow rates to just over maximum flow needed must be installed immediately downstream of each hazardous gas cylinder. For small scale experiments, such as fume hood use, a needle valve is sufficient. For large cylinders a flow restricting orifice, installed by the gas supplier in the cylinder valve or installed in the gas purge panel is required.

Ventilation Alarms - All ducts connected to enclosures used to exhaust hazardous compressed gas cylinders or gas-carrying components must be connected to a ventilation alarm. Typically, activation of this alarm will cause pneumatic gas supply shutoff valves to close.

Eyewash and Showers - A safety shower or eyewash with a wand is required in areas where corrosive gases are used or stored.

Purge Panels - Where corrosive, pyrophoric, or toxic gases are in use, the gas installation must include means to adequately purge the area between the cylinder valve and the regulator with an inert gas prior to breaking these connections for maintenance or cylinder change. Inert gases used for this purpose must be used solely for this purpose and not connected to other apparatus. Failure to adequately purge cylinders can result in lack of ability to close the cylinder valve or "regulator creep" which allows full cylinder pressure to be transferred to the low-pressure side of the regulator.

Piping and Fittings - All gas piping must be compatible with the gases used and capable of withstanding full cylinder pressure. For example, tygon tubing should never be used with hazardous gases or low hazard gases unless one end is open to atmosphere. Fittings should be selected based on the service needs. Face seal or welding fittings should be used for hazardous gas service wherever possible. All gauges and components subject to leakages that carry hazardous gases must be contained in an exhausted enclosure.

Hardware - Never lubricate, modify, force, or tamper with a cylinder valve. Use the appropriate regulator on each gas cylinder. Adaptors or homemade modifications can be dangerous. Assure that all components of the experimental apparatus can handle full cylinder pressure or are otherwise protected. Oil or grease on the high-pressure side of oxygen, chlorine, or other cylinder of an oxidizing agent can lead to an explosion. Whenever the back-siphoning of chemicals into the cylinder might be a problem, use multiple traps or check valves.

Safety Operating Procedures

Hazard Review - A hazard assessment is required for the following:

- a. New or relocated equipment using a toxic, corrosive, or pyrophoric gas .
- b. New or relocated equipment using a flammable gas in a non-standard application
Analytical equipment fuel gases, welding, cutting, brazing, and small scale use in fume hoods are considered standard applications.
- c. Existing gas installations should be self-inspected by the work area supervisor against the requirements listed in this section.
- d. Existing installations using hazardous gases that pose a significant risk or show design deficiencies will have a hazard review conducted.

Training - All persons handling or using cylinders must have basic training. Reviews of information contained in this section, additional information in the written safety plan for all work areas, and hands-on assistance by an experienced gas user meet this requirement. Additional compressed gas safety training can be obtained through the Safety Department.

Hazard Information - Gas users must be thoroughly familiar with the properties of each gas used. A review of a quality MSDS is necessary.

Ordering - All gas cylinders must be leak-tested during the receipt process building.

Receiving - Be sure the cylinder tag (do not rely on stenciling or color coding) indicates the proper gas. Hazardous gases (flammable, pyrophoric, toxic, corrosive) must arrive directly from the shipper. Staging hazardous gases is prohibited. Low hazard gases (e.g. inert gases, oxygen, freon) may be stored temporarily in designated locations that provide means for securing cylinders with chains or straps.

Leak Testing - Toxic, corrosive, and pyrophoric gases must be leak-tested at the following intervals; receiving, installation, disconnect/shipping. Highly toxic gases must be leak-tested by the distributor before delivery. The end-user is responsible for subsequent leak-tests. It is imperative that toxic gases be leak-tested prior to removal from their exhausted enclosures and subsequent transport.

Storage - For short-term use of hazardous gases, always select the smallest *returnable* cylinder available. Non-returnable cylinders are strongly discouraged. If non-returnable cylinders must be used, you must be able to treat the remaining contents of the cylinder so that the cylinder valve can be removed prior to disposal. In cases where the gas will be used over an extended period of time (several months to more than one year), order only a quantity of gas that will last for three to six months. Corrosive gases should be returned to the gas supplier within one year to avoid regulator and cylinder valve problems due to corrosion. In storage, restrain cylinders of all sizes by straps, chains, or a suitable stand to prevent them from falling. Segregate full cylinders of low-hazard gases from "empty" cylinders awaiting return to the vendor. Assure that hazardous gas cylinders are stored constantly in a suitable

exhausted enclosure as described in Engineering Controls. Do not expose cylinders to temperatures higher than about 50 C. Some small cylinders, such as lecture bottles and cylinders of highly toxic gases, are not fitted with rupture devices and may explode if exposed to high temperatures. Never place cylinders where they may become part of an electric circuit. Avoid areas that are damp or subject to other corrosive materials. Do not store flammables and oxidizers together. Keep cylinders in storage upright, secure, and interlocked into a compact group. Protect cylinders stored outside from standing water by providing proper drainage. Where outdoor storage is necessary, an overhead cover is necessary to keep sunlight and rain off the cylinder.

Transporting Cylinders - Hazardous gas cylinders must be transported directly from the gas supplier to the end-user storage location, unless an exhausted and approved “staging” area has been constructed. Cylinders must never be transported without valve protection caps in place. *Never move a cylinder with a regulator attached!* Cylinders larger than lecture bottle size should be chained or strapped to a wheeled cart during transport to ensure stability. Transportation of cylinders must be done only by trained personnel using approved trucks. Handle cylinders of compressed gases with the respect that high-energy sources require.

Shipping - Promptly remove regulators from empty cylinders, leak-test hazardous gases, and replace the protective caps at once. Mark the cylinder “MT”. Never bleed a cylinder completely empty. Leave a slight pressure to keep contaminants out. Toxic, corrosive, and pyrophoric gases must remain in their exhausted enclosures until shipped back to the supplier.

Changing Cylinders - Special procedures are required for changing toxic, corrosive, and pyrophoric gases and liquids. A proper cylinder purge panel is needed for high hazard gases, along with an adequate purge procedure. Persons changing gas cylinders requiring SCBA must work with a partner who is identically equipped.

Changing Pump Oil - Hazardous gases may be absorbed into vacuum pump oils. Personnel performing vacuum pump oil changes on pumps used with highly toxic gases must use SCBA for pump oil change. Hot pump oil should be allowed to cool prior to changing.

Other Equipment Maintenance Considerations - Consider maintenance needs in advance. Consider reaction byproducts (e.g. use proper skin and eye protection when cleaning process chambers or vacuum pumps). “Low hazard” gases such as freons will generate chlorine and fluorine decomposition products. Be sure to *LOCK OUT* upstream gas lines leading to equipment prepared for maintenance. Compressed gases are a hazardous energy source requiring lockout procedure. Be sure to adequately purge lines following lockout procedures and before beginning maintenance.

General Work Practices - Never use a cylinder that cannot be positively identified. Do not use compressed gas or compressed air to blow away dust or dirt (unless specifically equipped with a 30 psi or less diffuser, as used in machine shops, for this application). Flying dust and debris, as well as high pressure air itself, can cause significant injury. Close cylinder valves when not in use, close cylinder valves. The main cylinder valve should be tightly closed, but needle valves should only be finger tight to avoid ruining the valve and/or valve stem.

Emergency Procedures - Leaking cylinders should be kept in exhausted enclosures.

Actuate remote emergency gas shutoff valve/button, if present. (If properly installed, highly toxic gases will have flow limiting devices and/or automatic cylinder shutoff valves in place to limit and shutoff the gas supply.) If hazardous gases are contained in their enclosure, and it is clearly safe to approach, close the main cylinder valve if a leak is stopped or slow. Do not extinguish a flame involving a highly combustible gas until the source of gas has been shut off, otherwise – the flame can reignite and cause an explosion. Cylinder valve leaks should be reported to Public Safety, but as a “nonemergency” if the cylinder and gas are contained in an exhausted enclosure. If a hazardous gas is released into an unexhausted enclosure and the gas supply cannot be promptly cut off, actuate the emergency evacuation procedure in your area and contact Public Safety. This procedure will also be initiated automatically if gas monitors trigger the building evacuation alarm. The Superfund Amendments and Re-authorization Act of 1986 (SARA Title III) states that releases of extremely hazardous substances must be reported to EPA. Accidental discharges of cylinders are to be promptly reported to the Safety Department and area supervisor. Cylinders found to be leaking upon delivery should not be accepted.

Gases for Welding and Cutting

OSHA requirements for oxygen-fuel gas welding and cutting are found in 29 CFR 1910 .253. Cylinder handling precautions, materials of construction, and additional requirements are also listed. Persons who will be using acetylene, oxygen, and other fuel gases, or those who are designing facilities and equipment for this purpose, should review this information. Please see the Personal Protective Equipment section of this manual for information on eye protection during welding and cutting operations. Be sure that, after each use, all fuel gases are shut off *at the cylinder valve*.

Cryogenic Liquids

Cryogenic liquids should be used with caution due to the potential for skin or eye damage from low temperature and hazards associated with pressure buildups in the containers or enclosed piping. Portable containers should be used only where there is sufficient ventilation. Do not place containers in a closet or other enclosed space where there is no ventilation. The buildup of inert gas in such settings may generate an oxygen deficient atmosphere.

A full-face shield, loose fitting cryogenic handling gloves, apron, and cuffless slacks are the recommended equipment for transferring cryogenic fluids. Special vacuum jacket containers with loose fitting lids should be used to handle small quantities. Vacuum jacketed containers provided by the gas supplier will have overpressure relief devices in place. When plumbing cryogenic liquids, it is *very important* to include a pressure relief valve between any two-shutoff valves. In addition, overpressure relief devices must protect any space where cryogenic fluids may accumulate, (consider leakage into enclosed equipment as well). Tremendous pressures can be obtained in enclosed spaces as the liquid converts to gas. For example, one cubic centimeter of liquid nitrogen will expand to 700 times this volume as it converts (warms) to its gaseous state. Lines carrying liquid should be well insulated. Containers to be filled with cryogenic liquids should be filled *slowly* to avoid splashing. Cryogenic containers showing evidence of loss of vacuum in their outer jacket (ice buildup on the outside of the container) should not be accepted from the gas supplier. Contact with air (or gases with a higher boiling point) can cause an ice plug in a cryogenic container. Should ice plugs be noted, contact the

Safety department for assistance.

Compressed Air Systems & Usage

Use compressed air as a cleaning method only when absolutely necessary. This procedure involves serious hazards.

Authorized uses include:

- Paint spraying pneumatic controls
- Pneumatic tools
- Siphons

Compressed Air Usage

Compressed air may be used to clean machinery that can be cleaned no other way. Never, however, use compressed air to clean equipment or parts contaminated with toxic materials.

Use a hand-held nozzle or similar device with a nozzle-pressure of less than 30 psig when cleaning machinery or shop area. This requirement may be achieved with the use of a pressure-reducing valve in the airline or by using air guns designed to reduce or relieve nozzle airline pressure to less than 30 psig.

When using compressed air for cleanup, wear eye protection and ensure that nearby workers are shielded from the air blast and airborne debris.

Air Receivers and Compressors

All air receivers or tanks (this does not include compressed gas cylinders, which must not be employed as air receivers) used for the storage of 1 cubic foot or more of compressed air at a pressure in excess of 50 psig., must be constructed in accordance with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) Boilers and Pressure Code.

All safety valves must be installed and maintained in accordance with the ASME code.

Air receivers and tanks are to be installed so that all drains handholds and personnel access openings are easily accessible. Receivers and tanks should also be supported to allow a complete external inspection.

Each air compressor system must be provided with a connection of the appropriate size for attaching an inspector's test gauge when the system is in service.

Nothing must obstruct the connection of the inspector's test gauge.

Provisions must be made for the removal of oil and water from the tanks. Drain valves must be located at the lowest point possible and a draining schedule established to prevent the accumulation of excessive amounts of liquid in the receiver.

Readily visible pressure gauges must be installed. Spring loaded safety devices with a total relieving capacity sufficient to prevent a rise in pressure of more than 10 percent above the maximum allowable working pressure of the receiver must also be installed.

At least one safety valve in each system must be set to operate at or below the maximum allowable working pressure.

Install no valves between the air receiver and any of its safety valves. Daily testing of controlling and safety valves is required.

All safety appliances such as safety valves, indicating devices, and controlling devices must be constructed, located, and installed so that they cannot readily be made inoperative by any means, including weathering.

Hoses and lines used in any compressed air system must be rated to meet the maximum operating pressure (both static and transient) of the equipment or apparatus.

Hoses and lines should be properly assembled; incorrect fittings should be avoided.

A system should be designed with the least number of bends and the largest diameter feasible.

Hoses and lines should be protected from external damage, e.g., heat, abrasion and corrosion. To this end, they should be located where they are free from being trod on, tripped over or driven over.

Vent pressure relief valves and rupture discs to a safe area, such as a wall, where personnel will not be affected.

Fall Protection Program

General

Campus Facilities of the University of Missouri—Columbia complies fully with the OSHA Fall Protection Standard (CFR 1926, Subpart M, Fall Protection) in seeking to eliminate, prevent and control risks of injury due to falls.

Employees exposed to fall hazards shall be trained to minimize the danger of falling. Fall-protection equipment will be provided and its use required by all employees. Supervisors are responsible for implementing a fall-protection plan for their jobsite.

Hazard Identification

The supervisor and crew on each jobsite are responsible for identifying jobsite fall-hazards. A trained employee will evaluate each situation or work procedure where individuals are exposed to falls of 6 feet or more. A plan shall be developed to, if possible, eliminate the exposure, or to protect against falls via an approved fall-protection system and/or equipment.

Fall Protection Required

The following situations require fall-protection. This listing is by no means complete. There are many other situations where a fall of 6 feet or more is possible. It should be noted that ladders and scaffolding are not included in this list. They are covered by other OSHA standards and other requirements of Campus Facilities' safety program.

Wall Openings

Employee working on, at, above, or near wall openings (including those with chutes attached) where the outside bottom edge of the wall opening is 6 feet or more above lower levels and the inside bottom edge of the wall opening is less than 39 inches above the walking/working surface, must be protected from falling by a guardrail system, a safety net system, or a personal fall-arrest system.

Holes

Personal fall-arrest systems, covers, or guardrail systems shall be erected around holes (including skylights) that are more than 6 feet above lower levels.

Leading Edges

Employees constructing a leading edge 6 feet or more above lower levels shall be protected by guardrail systems, safety net systems, or personal fall-arrest systems.

Excavations

Employees working near the edge of an excavation 6 feet or more deep shall be protected by guardrail systems, fences, barricades, or covers. Guardrails are also required on walkways crossing over excavations of 6 feet or more in depth.

Formwork and Reinforcing Steel

Fall protection is not required when employees are moving vertically and/or horizontally over fixed rebar assemblies. OSHA considers that multiple hand holds and foot holds on rebar assemblies provide protection similar to that of a fixed ladder. Fall protection is thus unnecessary for heights below 24 feet while moving point

to point. Employees, however, must be fall-protected when climbing or otherwise moving at heights greater than 24 feet -- the same as for fixed ladders.

Hoist Areas

Employees in a hoist area shall be protected from falling 6 feet or more by a guardrail systems or a personal fall-arrest system. If guardrail systems (or chain gate or guardrail) or portions thereof must be removed to facilitate hoisting operations, as during the landing of materials, and a worker must lean through the access opening or out over the edge of the access opening to receive or guide equipment and materials, that employee must be protected by a personal fall-arrest system.

Overhand Bricklaying and Related Work

Employees performing overhand bricklaying and related work 6 feet or more above lower levels shall be protected by a guardrail system, safety net system, or personal fall arrest system, or shall work in a controlled access zone. Such fall protection is also required for employees reaching more than 10 inches below the level of a walking/working surface on which they are working.

Pre-cast Concrete Erection and Residential Construction

Employees 6 feet or more above lower levels and erecting pre-cast concrete members and related operations such as grouting of pre-cast concrete members, and employees engaged in residential construction, shall be protected by guardrail systems, safety net systems, or personal fall-arrest systems.

Ramps, Runways, and Other Walkways

Employees using ramps, runways, and other walkways shall be protected from falling 6 feet or more by guardrail systems.

Low-slope Roofs

Employees engaged in roofing activities on low-slope roofs with unprotected sides and edges 6 feet or more above lower levels shall be protected from falling by guardrail systems, safety net systems, personal fall-arrest systems or a combination of a warning line system and guardrail system, warning line system and safety net system, warning line system and personal fall-arrest system, or warning line system and safety monitoring system. On roofs 50 feet or less in width, the use of a safety monitoring system without a warning line system is permitted.

Steep Roofs

Employees on a steep roof with unprotected sides and edges 6 feet or more above lower levels shall be protected by guardrail systems with toe-boards, safety net systems, or personal fall-arrest systems.

Controlled Access Zones

A Controlled access zone is a work area designated and clearly marked in which certain types of work (such as overhand bricklaying) may take place without the use of conventional fall-protection systems, guardrail, personal arrest or safety net to protect the employees working in the zone.

Controlled access zones are used to keep out workers other than those authorized to enter work areas from which guardrails have been removed. Where there are no guardrails, masons are the only workers allowed in controlled access zones.

Controlled access zones, when created to limit entrance to areas where leading edge work and other operations are taking place, must be defined by a control line or by any other means that restrict access. Control lines shall consist of ropes, wires, tapes or equivalent materials, and supporting stanchions, and each must be:

- Flagged or otherwise clearly marked at not more than 6-foot intervals with high-visibility material.
- Rigged and supported in such a way that the lowest point (including sag) is not less than 39 inches from the walking/working surface and the highest point is not more than 45 inches, nor more than 50 inches when overhand bricklaying operations are being performed from the

walking/working surface.

- Strong enough to sustain stress of at least 200 pounds. Control lines shall extend along the entire length of the unprotected or leading edge and shall be approximately parallel to the unprotected or leading edge. Control lines also must be connected on each side to a guardrail system or wall. When control lines are used, they shall be erected not less than 6 feet nor more than 25 feet from the unprotected or leading edge, except when pre-cast concrete members are being erected. In the latter case, the control line is to be erected not less than 6 feet nor more than 60 feet or half the length of the member being erected, whichever is less, from the leading edge.

When used to determine access to areas where overhand bricklaying and related work are taking place controlled access zones are defined by a control line erected not less than 10 feet nor more than 15 feet from the working edge. Additional control lines must be erected at each end to enclose the controlled access zone. Only employees engaged in overhand bricklaying or related work are permitted in the controlled access zones.

On floors and roofs where guardrail systems are not in place prior to the beginning of overhand bricklaying operations, controlled access zones will be enlarged as necessary to enclose all points of access, material handling areas, and storage areas.

On floors and roofs where guardrail systems are in place, but need to be removed to allow overhand bricklaying work or leading edge work to take place, only that portion of the guardrail necessary to accomplish that day's work shall be removed.

Fall Protection Systems

When there is a potential fall of 6 feet or more, one or more of the following means of providing protection shall be employed:

Guardrail Systems

Top-rails and mid-rails of guardrail systems must be at least one-quarter inch nominal diameter or thickness to prevent cuts and lacerations. If wire rope is used for top-rails, it must be flagged at not more than 6 feet intervals with high-visibility material. Steel and plastic banding cannot be used as top-rails or mid-rails. Manila, plastic, or synthetic rope used for top-rails or mid-rails must be inspected as frequently as necessary to ensure strength and stability.

The top edge height of top-rails, or (equivalent) guardrails must be 42 inches, plus or minus 3 inches, above the walking/working level. The top-edge height of the top rail, or equivalent member, must be increased an amount equal to the height of the stilts for workers on stilts.

Screens, mid-rails, mesh, intermediate vertical members, or equivalent intermediate structural members must be installed between the top edge of the guardrail system and the walking/working surface when there are no walls or parapet walls at least 21 inches. When mid-rails are used, they must be installed to a height midway between the top edge of the guardrail system and the walking/working level.

When screens and mesh are used, they must extend from the top rail to the walking/working level and along the entire opening between top rail supports. Intermediate members, such as balusters, when used between posts, shall not be more than 19 inches apart.

Other structural members, such as additional mid-rails and architectural panels, shall be installed so that there are no openings in the guardrail system more than 19 inches (48 centimeters).

The guardrail system must be capable of withstanding a force of at least 200 pounds applied within 2 inches of the top edge in any outward or downward direction. When the 200 pound test is applied in a downward direction, the top edge of the guardrail must not deflect to a height less than 39 inches above the walking/working level.

Mid-rails, screens, mesh, intermediate vertical members, solid panels, and equivalent structural members shall be capable of withstanding a force of at least 150 pounds applied in any downward or outward direction at any point along the mid-rail or other member.

Guardrail systems shall be surfaced to protect workers from punctures or lacerations and to prevent clothing from snagging.

The ends of top rails and mid-rails must not overhang terminal posts, except where such overhang does not constitute a projection hazard.

When guardrail systems are used at hoisting areas, a chain, gate or removable guardrail section must be placed across the access opening between guardrail sections when hoisting operations are not taking place.

At holes, guardrail systems must be set up on all unprotected sides or edges. When holes are used for the passage of materials, the hole shall have not more than two sides with removable guardrail sections. When not in use, the hole must be covered or provided with guardrails along all unprotected sides or edges.

If guardrail systems are used around holes that are used as access points (such as ladder-ways), gates must be used or the point of access must be offset to prevent accidental walking into the hole.

If guardrails are used at unprotected sides or edges of ramps and runways, they must be erected on each unprotected side or edge.

Personal Fall-Arrest Systems

Consist of an anchorage, connectors, and a body belt or body harness and may include a deceleration device, lifeline, or suitable combinations. If a personal fall-arrest system is used for fall protection, it must do the following:

- Limit maximum arresting force on an employee to 900 pounds when used with a body belt.
- Limit maximum arresting force on an employee to 1,800 pounds when used with a body harness.
- Be rigged so that an employee can neither free fall more than 6 feet nor contact any lower level.
- Bring an employee to a complete stop and limit the deceleration distance an employee travels to 3.5 feet.

- Have sufficient strength to withstand twice the potential impact energy of an employee free falling a distance of 6 feet, or the free-fall distance permitted by the system, whichever is less.

The use of body belts for fall-arrest is prohibited. A full body harness is required.

Personal fall arrest systems must be inspected prior to each use for wear damage, and other deterioration. Defective components must be removed from service.

Positioning Device Systems

Body belt or body harness systems are to be set up so that a worker can free-fall no farther than 2 feet. They shall be secured to an anchorage capable of supporting a least twice the potential impact load of an employee's fall, or 3,000 pounds, whichever is greater.

Safety Monitoring Systems

When no other alternative fall protection has been implemented, the employer shall implement a safety monitoring system. Employers must appoint a competent person to monitor the safety of workers and the employer shall ensure that the safety monitor:

- Is competent in the recognition of fall hazards.
- Is capable of warning workers of fall-hazard dangers and in detecting unsafe work practices.
- Is operating on the same walking/working surfaces of the workers and can see them.
- Is close enough to work operations to communicate orally with workers and has no other duties to distract from the monitoring function.

Mechanical equipment shall not be used or stored in areas where safety monitoring systems are being used to monitor roofing operations on low-sloped roofs.

No worker, other than one engaged in roofing work (on low-sloped roofs) or one covered by a fall protection plan, shall be allowed in an area where an employee is being protected by a safety monitoring system.

All workers in a controlled access zone shall be instructed to promptly comply with fall hazard warnings issued by safety monitors.

Safety Net Systems

Safety nets must be installed as close as practicable under the walking/working surface on which employees are working and never more than 30 feet below such levels. Defective nets shall not be used. Safety nets shall be inspected at least once a week for wear, damage, and other deterioration. Safety nets shall be installed with sufficient clearance underneath to prevent contact with the surface or structure below.

Items that have fallen into safety nets including, but not restricted to, materials, scrap, equipment, and tools, must be removed as soon as possible and at least before the next work shift.

Warning Line Systems

Warning line systems consist of ropes, wires, chains and supporting stanchions and are set up as follows:

- Flagged at not more than 6-foot intervals with high-visibility material.
- Rigged and supported so that the lowest point, including sag, is no less than 34 inches from the walking/working surface and its highest point is no more than 39 inches from the walking/working surface.
- After being rigged with warning lines, stanchions, shall be capable of resisting, without tipping over, a force of at least 16 pounds applied horizontally against the stanchion, 30 inches above the walking/working surface, perpendicular to the warning line and in the direction of the floor, roof, or platform edge.
- The rope, wire, or chain shall have a minimum tensile strength of 500 pounds and, after being attached to the stanchions, must support without breaking the load applied to the stanchions as prescribed above.
- Shall be attached to each stanchion in such a way that pulling on one section of the line between stanchions will not result in slack being taken up in the adjacent section before the stanchion tips over.

Warning lines shall be erected around all sides of roof-work areas. When mechanical equipment is used, the warning line shall be erected not less than 6 feet from the roof edge parallel to the direction of mechanical equipment operation, and not less than 10 feet from the roof edge perpendicular to the direction of mechanical equipment operation.

When mechanical equipment is not being used, the warning line must be erected not less than 6 feet from the roof edge.

Covers

Covers located in roadways and vehicular aisles must be able to support at least twice the maximum axle load of the largest vehicle to which the cover might be subjected. All other covers must be able to support at least twice the weight of employees, equipment, and materials that may be imposed on the cover at any one time. To prevent accidental displacement resulting from wind, equipment, or workers' activities, all covers must be secured. Temporary covers shall be color-coded or bear the markings "HOLE" or "COVER."

Protection From Falling Objects

When guardrail systems are used to prevent materials from falling from one level to another, any openings must be small enough to prevent passage of potential falling objects. No materials or equipment except masonry and mortar shall be stored within 4 feet of working edges. Excess mortar, broken or scattered masonry units, and all other materials and debris shall be kept clear of the working area by removal at regular intervals.

During roofing work, materials and equipment shall not be stored within 6 feet of a roof edge unless guardrails are erected at the edge. Materials piled, grouped, or stacked near a roof edge must be stable and self-supporting.

Training

Employees will be trained in the following areas:

- (a) the nature of fall hazards in the work area
- (b) the correct procedures for erecting, maintaining, disassembling, and inspecting fall- protection systems
- (c) the use and operation of controlled access zones and guardrail, personal fall-arrest, safety net, warning line, and safety monitoring systems
- (d) the role of each employee in the safety monitoring system when the system is in use
- (e) the limitations of mechanical equipment used during roofing work on low-sloped roofs
- (f) the correct procedures for equipment and materials handling and storage, and the erection of overhead protection
- (g) employees' role in fall-protection plans.

Glossary

Anchorage—A secure point to which lifelines, lanyards or deceleration devices are attached.

Body belt—A strap with means both for securing it about the waist and for attaching it to a lanyard, lifeline, or deceleration device.

Body harness —Straps that may be secured about the person in a manner that distributes the fall-arrest forces over at least the thighs, pelvis, waist, chest, and shoulders with a means for attaching the harness to other components of a personal fall-arrest system.

Connector—A device that is used to couple (connect) parts of a personal fall arrest system or positioning device system together.

Controlled access zone—A work area designated and clearly marked in which certain types of work (such as overhand bricklaying) may take place without the use of conventional fall protection systems—guardrail, personal arrest or safety net—to protect employees working in the zone.

Deceleration device—Any mechanism—such as rope, grab, rip stitch lanyard, specially-woven lanyard, tearing or deforming lanyards, automatic self-retracting lifelines/lanyards—that serves to dissipate a substantial amount of energy during a fall-arrest, or otherwise limits the energy imposed on an employee during fall-arrest.

Deceleration distance—The additional vertical distance a falling person travels, excluding lifeline elongation and free-fall distance, before stopping, from the point at which a deceleration device begins to operate.

Guardrail system—A barrier erected to prevent employees from falling to lower levels.

Hole—A void or gap 2 inches or more in the least dimension in a floor, roof, or other walking/working surface.

Lanyard—A flexible line of rope, wire rope, or strap with, generally, a connector at each end for connecting the body belt or body harness to a deceleration device, lifeline, or anchorage.

Leading edge—The edge of a floor, roof, or formwork for a floor or other walking/working surface (such as the deck) which changes location as additional floor, roof, decking, or formwork sections are placed, formed or constructed.

Lifeline—A component consisting of a flexible line for connection to an anchorage at one end to hang vertically (vertical lifeline), or for connection to anchorages at both ends to stretch horizontally (horizontal lifeline) and that serves as a means for connecting other components of a personal fall-arrest system to the anchorage.

Low-slope roof—A roof having a slope less than or equal to 4 in 12 (vertical to horizontal).

Opening—A gap or void 30 inches or more high and 18 inches or more wide, in a wall or partition, through which employees can fall to a lower level.

Personal fall-arrest system—A system including but not limited to an anchorage, connectors, and a body belt or body harness used to arrest an employee in a fall from a working level. *The use of a body belt for fall arrest is now prohibited.*

Positioning device system—A body belt or body harness system rigged to allow an employee to be supported on an elevated vertical surface, such as a wall, and work with both hands free while leaning backwards.

Rope-grab—A deceleration device that travels on a lifeline and, by friction, automatically engages and locks the lifeline to arrest a fall.

Safety-monitoring system—A safety system in which a competent person is responsible for recognizing and warning employees of fall hazards.

Self-retracting lifeline/lanyard—A deceleration device containing a drum-wound line that can be extracted slowly from, or retracted onto, the drum under minimal tension during normal employee movement and which, after onset of a fall, automatically locks the drum and arrests the fall.

Snaphook—A connector consisting of a hook-shaped member with a normally closed keeper, or similar arrangement, which may be opened to permit the hook to receive an object and, when released, automatically closes to retain the object.

Steep roof—A roof having a slope greater than 4 in 12 (vertical to horizontal).

Toeboard—A low protective barrier that prevents material and equipment from falling to lower levels and which protects personnel from falling.

Unprotected sides and edges—Any side or edge (except at entrances to points of access) of a walking/working surface (e.g. floor, roof, ramp, or runway) where there is no wall or guardrail system at least 39 inches high.

Walking/working surface—Any surface, horizontal or vertical, on which an employee walks or works, including but not limited to floors, roofs, ramps, bridges, runways, formwork, and concrete reinforcing steel. Does not include ladders, vehicles, or trailers on which employees must be located to perform their work duties.

Warning line system—A barrier erected on a roof to warn employees they are approaching an unprotected roof side or edge, and which designates an area in which roofing work may take place without the use of guardrail, body belt, or safety net systems to protect employees in the area.

Fire Protection and Prevention Policy

DEFINITIONS APPLICABLE TO THIS SUBPART - 1926.155

- “Approved” means equipment that has been listed or approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory such as Factory Mutual Engineering Corp., or Underwriters’ Laboratories, Inc., or Federal agencies such as Bureau of Mines, or U.S. Coast Guard, which issue approvals for such equipment.
- “Closed container” means a container so sealed by means of a lid or other device that neither liquid nor vapor will escape from it at ordinary temperatures.
- “Combustible liquid” means any liquid having a flash point at or above 140 deg. F (60 deg. C), and below 200 deg. F (93.4 deg. C).
- “Combustion” means any chemical process that involves oxidation sufficient to produce light or heat.
- “Fire brigade” means an organized group of employees that are knowledgeable, trained, and skilled in the safe evacuation of employees during emergency situations and in assisting in fire fighting operations.
- “Fire resistance” means so resistant to fire that, for specified time and under conditions of a standard heat intensity, it will not fail structurally and will not permit the side away from the fire to become hotter than a specified temperature. For purposes of this part, fire resistance shall be determined by the **Standard Methods of Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials**, NFPA 251-1969.
- “Flammable” means capable of being easily ignited, burning intensely, or having a rapid rate of flame spread.
- “Flammable liquid” means any liquid having a flash point below 140 deg. F and having a vapor pressure not exceeding 40 pounds per square inch (absolute) at 100 deg. F.
- “Flash point” of the liquid means the temperature at which it gives off vapor sufficient to form an ignitable mixture with the air near the surface of the liquid or within the vessel used as determined by appropriate test procedure and apparatus as specified below.
 - (1) The flash point of liquids having a viscosity less than 45 Saybolt Universal Second(s) at 100 deg. F (37.8 deg. C) and a flash point below 175 deg. F (79.4 deg. C) shall be determined in accordance with the **Standard Method of Test for Flash Point by the Tag Closed Tester**, ASTM D-56-69.
 - (2) The flash point of liquids having a viscosity of 45 Saybolt Universal Second(s) or more at 175 deg. F. (79.4 deg. C) or higher shall be determined in accordance with the **Standard Method of Test for Flash Point by the Pensky Martens Closed Tester**, ASTM D-93-69.
- “Liquefied petroleum gases,” “LPG” and “LP Gas” mean and include any material which is composed predominantly of any of the following hydrocarbons, or mixtures of them, such as propane, propylene, butane (normal butane or iso-butane), and butylenes.
- “Portable tank” means a closed container having a liquid capacity more than 60 U.S. gallons, and not intended for fixed installation.

- “Safety can” means an approved closed container, of not more than 5 gallons capacity, having a flash-arresting screen, spring-closing lid and spout cover and so designed that it will safely relieve internal pressure when subjected to fire exposure.
- “Vapor pressure” means the pressure, measured in pounds per square inch (absolute), exerted by a volatile liquid as determined by the **Standard Method of Test for Vapor Pressure of Petroleum Products (Reid Method)**, ASTM D-323-58.

FIRE PROTECTION, General Requirements - 1926.150

Management shall be responsible for:

- The development of a fire protection program to be followed throughout all phases of construction, maintenance, and demolition work, and shall provide for the firefighting equipment as specified in policy. As fire hazards occur, there shall be no delay in providing the necessary equipment.
- Assure access to all available firefighting equipment be maintained at all times.
- Assure that all firefighting equipment, provided by Campus Facilities, shall be conspicuously located.
- Assure that firefighting equipment shall be periodically inspected and maintained in operating condition. Defective equipment shall be immediately replaced.
- Shall, as warranted by the project, provide a trained and equipped firefighting organization (Fire Brigade) to assure adequate protection to life.
- Assuring that yearly training is completed by their employees.

All employees Shall be responsible for:

- Having fire protection at the worksite when the potential for fire exists.
- Knowing the closet location of fire fighting equipment.
- Participating in annual fire training.
- Removing from service any damaged equipment.
- Notifying their supervisor when un-inspected or damaged equipment if found.

Water Supply

- A temporary or permanent water supply, of sufficient volume, duration, and pressure, required to properly operate the firefighting equipment shall be made available as soon as combustible materials accumulate.
- Where underground water mains are to be provided, they shall be installed, completed, and made available for use as soon as practicable.

Portable Firefighting Equipment

Fire Extinguishers and Small Hose Lines

- A fire extinguisher, rated not less than 2A, shall be provided for each 3,000 square feet of the protected building area, or major fraction thereof.
- Travel distance from any point of the protected area to the nearest fire extinguisher shall not exceed 100 feet in office spaces and 25 feet in shop areas.
- One 55-gallon open drum of water with two fire pails may be substituted for a fire extinguisher

having a 2A rating.

- A ½-inch diameter garden-type hose line, not to exceed 100 feet in length (office) 25 feet (shop) and equipped with a nozzle, may be substituted for a 2A-rated fire extinguisher, providing it is capable of discharging a minimum of 5 gallons per minute with a minimum hose stream range of 30 feet horizontally. The garden-type hose lines shall be mounted on conventional racks or reels. The number and location of hose racks or reels shall be such that at least one hose stream can be applied to all points in the area.
- One or more fire extinguishers, rated not less than 2A, shall be provided on each floor. In multistory buildings, at least one fire extinguisher shall be located adjacent to stairway.
- Extinguishers and water drums, subject to freezing, shall be protected from freezing.
- A fire extinguisher, rated not less than 10B, shall be provided within 50 feet of wherever more than 5 gallons of flammable or combustible liquids or 5 pounds of flammable gas are being used on the jobsite. This requirement does not apply to the integral fuel tanks of motor vehicles.
- Carbon tetrachloride and other toxic vaporizing liquid fire extinguishers are prohibited.
- Portable fire extinguishers shall be inspected periodically and maintained in accordance with **Maintenance and Use of Portable Fire Extinguishers**, NFPA No. 10A-1970. Fire extinguishers which have been listed or approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory, shall be used to meet the requirements of this subpart.

NOTE: Table F-1 in §1926.150©(1)(x) may be used as a guide for selecting the appropriate portable fire extinguishers.

Fire Hose and Connections

- One hundred feet, or less, of 1½-inch hose, with a nozzle capable of discharging water at 25 gallons or more per minute, may be substituted for a fire extinguisher rated not more than 2A in the designated area provided that the hose line can reach all points in the area.
- If fire hose connections are not compatible with local firefighting equipment, departments shall provide adapters, or equivalent, to permit connections.
- During demolition involving combustible materials, charged hose lines, supplied by hydrants, water tank trucks with pumps, or equivalent, shall be made available.

Fixed Firefighting Equipment

Sprinkler Protection

- When a facility is being constructed, which includes the installation of automatic sprinkler protection, the installation shall closely follow the construction and be placed in service as soon as applicable laws permit following completion of each story.
- During demolition or alterations, existing automatic sprinkler installations shall be retained in service as long as reasonable. The operation of sprinkler control valves shall be permitted only by properly authorized persons. Modification of sprinkler systems to permit alterations or additional demolition should be expedited so that the automatic protection may be returned to service as quickly as possible. Sprinkler control valves shall be checked daily at close of work to ascertain that the protection is in service.

Standpipes

- In all structures in which standpipes are required, or where standpipes exist in structures being

altered, they shall be brought up as soon as applicable laws permit, and shall be maintained as construction progresses in such a manner that they are always ready for fire protection use. The standpipes shall be provided with Siamese fire department connections on the outside of the structure, at the street level, which shall be conspicuously marked. There shall be at least one standard hose outlet at each floor.

Fire Alarm Devices

- An alarm system, e.g., telephone system, siren, etc., shall be established whereby employees on the site and the local fire department can be alerted for an emergency. The alarm code and reporting instructions shall be conspicuously posted at phones and at employee entrances.

Fire Cutoffs

- Fire walls and exit stairways, required for the completed buildings, shall be given construction priority. Fire doors, with automatic closing devices, shall be hung on openings as soon as practicable.
- Fire cutoffs shall be retained in buildings undergoing alterations or demolition until operations necessitate their removal.

FIRE PREVENTION - 1926.151

Ignition Hazards

- Electrical wiring and equipment for light, heat, or power purposes shall be installed in compliance with the requirements of Subpart K, **Electrical**.
- Internal combustion engine powered equipment shall be so located that the exhausts are well away from combustible materials. When the exhausts are piped to outside the building under construction, a clearance of at least 6 inches shall be maintained between such piping and combustible material.
- Smoking shall be prohibited at or in the vicinity of operations which constitute a fire hazard, and shall be conspicuously posted: "No Smoking or Open Flame."
- Portable battery powered lighting equipment, used in connection with the storage, handling, or use of flammable gases or liquids, shall be of the type approved for the hazardous locations.
- The nozzle of air, inert gas, and steam lines or hoses, when used in the cleaning or ventilation of tanks and vessels that contain hazardous concentrations of flammable gases or vapors, shall be bonded to the tank or vessel shell. Bonding devices shall not be attached or detached in hazardous concentrations of flammable gases or vapors.

Temporary Buildings

- No temporary building shall be erected where it will adversely affect any means of exit.
- Temporary buildings, when located within another building or structure, shall be of either noncombustible construction or of combustible construction having a fire resistance of not less than 1 hour.
- Temporary buildings, located other than inside another building and not used for the storage, handling, or use of flammable or combustible liquids, flammable gases, explosives, or blasting agents, or similar hazardous occupancies, shall be located at a distance of not less than 10 feet from another building or structure. Groups of temporary buildings, not exceeding 2,000 square feet in aggregate, shall, for the purposes of this part, be considered a single temporary building.

Open Yard Storage

- Combustible materials shall be piled with due regard to the stability of piles and in no case higher than 20 feet.
- Driveways between and around combustible storage piles shall be at least 15 feet wide and maintained free from accumulation of rubbish, equipment, or other articles or materials. Driveways shall be so spaced that a maximum grid system unit of 50 feet by 150 feet is produced.
- The entire storage site shall be kept free from accumulation of unnecessary combustible materials. Weeds and grass shall be kept down and a regular procedure provided for the periodic cleanup of the entire area. When there is a danger of an underground fire, that land shall not be used for combustible or flammable storage.
- Method of piling shall be solid wherever possible and in orderly and regular piles. No combustible material shall be stored outdoors within 10 feet of a building or structure.
- Portable fire extinguishing equipment, suitable for the fire hazard involved, shall be provided at convenient, conspicuously accessible locations in the yard area. Portable fire extinguishers, rated not less than 2A, shall be placed so that maximum travel distance to the nearest unit shall not exceed 100 feet.

Indoor Storage

- Storage shall not obstruct, or adversely affect, means of exit. All materials shall be stored, handled, and piled with due regard to their fire characteristics.
- Non-compatible materials, which may create a fire hazard, shall be segregated by a barrier having a fire resistance of at least 1 hour.
- Material shall be piled to minimize the spread of fire internally and to permit convenient access for firefighting. Stable piling shall be maintained at all times. Aisle space shall be maintained to safely accommodate the widest vehicle that may be used within the building for firefighting purposes.
- Clearance of at least 36 inches shall be maintained between the top level of the stored material and the sprinkler deflectors.
- Clearance shall be maintained around lights and heating units to prevent ignition of combustible materials.
- A clearance of 24 inches shall be maintained around the path of travel of fire doors unless a barricade is provided, in which case no clearance is needed. Material shall not be stored within 36 inches of a fire door opening.

FLAMMABLE AND COMBUSTIBLE LIQUIDS - 1926.152

General Requirements

- Only approved containers and portable tanks shall be used for storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids.
- Approved metal safety cans shall be used for the handling and use of flammable liquids in quantities greater than one gallon, except that this shall not apply to those flammable liquid materials which are highly viscid (extremely hard to pour), which may be used and handled in original shipping containers. For quantities of one gallon or less, only the original container or approved metal safety cans shall be used for storage, use, and handling of flammable liquids.
- Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be stored in areas used for exits, stairways, or normally used for the safe passage of people.

Indoor Storage of Flammable and Combustible Liquids

- No more than 25 gallons of flammable or combustible liquids shall be stored in a room outside of an approved storage cabinet. For storage of liquefied petroleum gas, see 1926.153.

- Quantities of flammable and combustible liquid in excess of 25 gallons shall be stored in an acceptable or approved cabinet meeting the following requirements:
 - Acceptable wooden storage cabinets shall be constructed in the following manner, or equivalent: The bottom, sides, and top shall be constructed of an exterior grade of plywood at least 1 inch in thickness, which shall not break down or delaminate under standard fire test conditions.
 - All joints shall be rabbeted and shall be fastened in two directions with flathead wood screws. When more than one door is used, there shall be a rabbeted overlap of not less than 1 inch. Steel hinges shall be mounted in such a manner as to not lose their holding capacity due to loosening or burning out of the screws when subjected to fire.
 - Such cabinets shall be painted inside and out with fire retardant paint.
- Approved metal storage cabinets will be acceptable.
 - Cabinets shall be labeled in conspicuous lettering, “Flammable-Keep Fire Away.”
 - Not more than 60 gallons of flammable or 120 gallons of combustible liquids shall be stored in any one storage cabinet.
 - Not more than three such cabinets may be located in a single storage area. Quantities in excess of this shall be stored in an inside storage room.
- Inside storage rooms shall be constructed to meet the required fire-resistive rating for their use. Such construction shall comply with the test specifications set forth in **Standard Methods of Fire Test of Building Construction and Material**, NFPA 251-1969.
- Where an automatic extinguishing system is provided, the system shall be designed and installed in an approved manner. Openings to other rooms or buildings shall be provided with noncombustible liquid-tight raised sills or ramps at least 4 inches in height, or the floor in the storage area shall be at least 4 inches below the surrounding floor. Openings shall be provided with approved self-closing fire doors. The room shall be liquid-tight where the walls join the floor. A permissible alternate to the sill or ramp is an open-grated trench, inside of the room, which drains to a safe location. Where other portions of the building or other buildings are exposed, windows shall be protected as set forth in the **Standard for Fire Doors and Windows**, NFPA No. 80-1970, for Class E or F openings. Wood of at least 1-inch nominal thickness may be used for shelving, racks, dunnage, scuffboards, floor overlay, and similar installations.
- Materials which will react with water and create a fire hazard shall not be stored in the same room with flammable or combustible liquids.
- Storage in inside storage rooms shall comply with Table F-2:

TABLE F-2

<i>Fire Protection Provided</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>	<i>Yes</i>	<i>No</i>
<i>Fire Resistance</i>	<i>2 hrs.</i>	<i>2 hrs.</i>	<i>1 hr.</i>	<i>1 hr.</i>

<i>Maximum Size</i>	<i>500 sq. ft.</i>	<i>500 sq. ft.</i>	<i>150 sq. ft.</i>	<i>150 sq. ft.</i>
<i>Total Allowable Quantities (gal./sq. ft. floor area)</i>	<i>10</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>2</i>

NOTE: Fire protection system shall be sprinkler, water spray, carbon dioxide or other system approved by a nationally recognized testing laboratory for this purpose.

- Electrical wiring and equipment located in inside storage rooms shall be approved for Class I, Division 1, Hazardous Locations. For definition of Class I, Division 1, Hazardous Locations, see 1926.449.
- Every inside storage room shall be provided with either a gravity or a mechanical exhausting system. Such system shall commence not more than 12 inches above the floor and be designed to provide for a complete change of air within the room at least 6 times per hour.
- If a mechanical exhausting system is used, it shall be controlled by a switch located outside of the door. The ventilating equipment and any lighting fixtures shall be operated by the same switch.
- An electric pilot light shall be installed adjacent to the switch if flammable liquids are dispensed within the room. Where gravity ventilation is provided, the fresh air intake, as well as the exhausting outlet from the room, shall be on the exterior of the building in which the room is located.
- In every inside storage room there shall be maintained one clear aisle at least 3 feet wide. Containers over 30 gallons capacity shall not be stacked one upon the other.
- Flammable and combustible liquids in excess of that permitted in inside storage rooms shall be stored outside of buildings in accordance with paragraph "Storage Outside Buildings" of this section.
- The quantity of flammable or combustible liquids kept in the vicinity of spraying operations shall be the minimum required for operations and should ordinarily not exceed a supply for 1 day or one shift.
- Bulk storage of portable containers of flammable or combustible liquids shall be in a separate, constructed building detached from other important buildings or cut off in a standard manner.

Storage Outside Buildings

- Storage of containers (not more than 60 gallons each) shall not exceed 1,100 gallons in any one pile or area. Piles or groups of containers shall be separated by a 5-foot clearance. Piles or groups of containers shall not be nearer than 20 feet to a building.
- Within 200 feet of each pile of containers, there shall be a 12-foot-wide access way to permit approach of fire control apparatus.
- The storage area shall be graded in a manner to divert possible spills away from buildings or other exposures, or shall be surrounded by a curb or earth dike at least 12 inches high. When curbs or dikes are used, provisions shall be made for draining off accumulations of ground or rain water, or spills of flammable or combustible liquids. Drains shall terminate at a safe location and shall be accessible to operation under fire conditions.
- Outdoor portable tank storage:

- Portable tanks shall not be nearer than 20 feet from any building.
 - Two or more portable tanks, grouped together, having a combined capacity in excess of 2,200 gallons, shall be separated by a 5-foot-clear area.
 - Individual portable tanks exceeding 1,100 gallons shall be separated by a 5-foot-clear area.
 - Within 200 feet of each portable tank, there shall be a 12-foot-wide access way to permit approach of fire control apparatus.
 - Storage areas shall be kept free of weeds, debris, and other combustible material not necessary to the storage.
 - Portable tanks, not exceeding 660 gallons, shall be provided with emergency venting and other devices, as required by chapters III and IV of NFPA 30-1969, **The Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code**.
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- Portable tanks, in excess of 660 gallons, shall have emergency venting and other devices, as required by chapters II and III of **The Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code**, NFPA 30-1969.

Fire Control for Flammable or Combustible Liquid Storage

- At least one portable fire extinguisher, having a rating of not less than 20-B units, shall be located outside of, but not more than 10 feet from, the door opening into any room used for storage of more than 60 gallons of flammable or combustible liquids.
- At least one portable fire extinguisher having a rating of not less than 20-B units shall be located not less than 25 feet, nor more than 75 feet, from any flammable liquid storage area located outside.
- When sprinklers are provided, they shall be installed in accordance with the **Standard for the Installation of Sprinkler Systems**, NFPA 13-1969.
- At least one portable fire extinguisher having a rating of not less than 20-B:C units shall be provided on all tank trucks or other vehicles used for transporting and/or dispensing flammable or combustible liquids.

Dispensing Liquids

- Areas in which flammable or combustible liquids are transferred at one time, in quantities greater than 5 gallons from one tank or container to another tank or container, shall be separated from other operations by 25-foot distance or by construction having a fire resistance of at least 1 hour.
- Drainage or other means shall be provided to control spills. Adequate natural or mechanical ventilation shall be provided to maintain the concentration of flammable vapor at or below 10 percent of the lower flammable limit.
- Transfer of flammable liquids from one container to another shall be done only when containers are electrically interconnected (bonded).
- Flammable or combustible liquids shall be drawn from or transferred into vessels, containers, or tanks within a building or outside only through a closed piping system, from safety cans, by means of a device drawing through the top, or from a container, or portable tanks, by gravity or pump, through an approved self-closing valve.
- Transferring by means of air pressure on the container or portable tanks is prohibited.
- The dispensing units shall be protected against collision damage. Dispensing devices and nozzles

for flammable liquids shall be of an approved type.

Handling Liquids at Point of Final Use

- Flammable liquids shall be kept in closed containers when not actually in use.
- Leakage or spillage of flammable or combustible liquids shall be disposed of promptly and safely.
- Flammable liquids may be used only where there are no open flames or other sources of ignition within 50 feet of the operation, unless conditions warrant greater clearance.

Service and Refueling Areas

- Flammable or combustible liquids shall be stored in approved closed containers, in tanks located underground, or in aboveground portable tanks.
- The tank trucks shall comply with the requirements covered in the **Standard for Tank Vehicles for Flammable and Combustible Liquids**, NFPA No. 385-1966.
- The dispensing hose shall be an approved type, and the dispensing nozzle shall be an approved automatic-closing type without a latch-open device.
- Underground tanks shall not be abandoned.
- Clearly identified and easily accessible switch(es) shall be provided at a location remote from dispensing devices to shut off the power to all dispensing devices in the event of an emergency.
- Heating equipment of an approved type may be installed in the lubrication or service area where there is no dispensing or transferring of flammable liquids, provided the bottom of the heating unit is at least 18 inches above the floor and is protected from physical damage.
- Heating equipment installed in lubrication or service areas, where flammable liquids are dispensed, shall be of an approved type for garages, and shall be installed at least 8 feet above the floor.
- There shall be no smoking or open flames in the areas used for fueling, servicing fuel systems for internal combustion engines, receiving or dispensing of flammable or combustible liquids. Conspicuous and legible signs prohibiting smoking shall be posted.
- The motors of all equipment being fueled shall be shut off during the fueling operation.
- Each service or fueling area shall be provided with at least one fire extinguisher having a rating of not less than 20-B:C located so that an extinguisher will be within 75 feet of each pump, dispenser, underground fill pipe opening, and lubrication or service area.

Scope

This section applies to the handling, storage, and use of flammable and combustible liquids with a flashpoint below 200 deg. F (93.33 deg. C). This section does not apply to: (1) Bulk transportation of flammable and combustible liquids; and (2) Storage, handling, and use of fuel oil tanks and containers connected with oil burning equipment.

Tank Storage

Refer to 1926.152(i) for design, construction, and installation requirements for flammable or combustible liquid storage tanks.

Piping, Valves, and Fittings

Refer to 1926.152(j) for design, fabrication, assembly, test, and inspection requirements for piping systems containing flammable or combustible liquids.

LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS (LP-GAS) - 1926.153

Approval of Equipment and Systems

- Each system shall have containers, valves, connectors, manifold valve assemblies, and regulators of an approved type.
- All cylinders shall meet the Department of Transportation specification identification requirements published in 49 CFR Part 178, **Shipping Container Specifications**.
- As used in this section, "Containers" are defined as all vessels, such as tanks, cylinders, or drums, used for transportation or storing liquefied petroleum gases.

Welding on LP-Gas Containers

- Welding is prohibited on containers.

Container Valves and Container Accessories

- Valves, fittings, and accessories connected directly to the container, including primary shut off valves, shall have a rated working pressure of at least 250 p.s.i.g. and shall be of material and design suitable for LP-Gas service.
- Connections to containers, except safety relief connections, liquid level gauging devices, and plugged openings, shall have shutoff valves located as close to the container as practicable.

Safety Devices

- Every container and every vaporizer shall be provided with one or more approved safety relief valves or devices. These valves shall be arranged to afford free vent to the outer air with discharge not less than 5 feet horizontally away from any opening into a building which is below such discharge.
- Shutoff valves shall not be installed between the safety relief device and the container, or the equipment or piping to which the safety relief device is connected, except that a shutoff valve may be used where the arrangement of this valve is such that full required capacity flow through the safety relief device is always afforded.
- Container safety relief devices and regulator relief vents shall be located not less than 5 feet in any direction from air openings into sealed combustion system appliances or mechanical ventilation air intakes.

Dispensing

- Filling of fuel containers for trucks or motor vehicles from bulk storage containers shall be performed not less than 10 feet from the nearest masonry-walled building, or not less than 25 feet from the nearest building or other construction and, in any event, not less than 25 feet from any building opening.
- Filling of portable containers or containers mounted on skids from storage containers shall be performed not less than 50 feet from the nearest building.

Requirements for Appliances

- Any appliance that was originally manufactured for operation with a gaseous fuel other than LP-Gas, and is in good condition, may be used with LP-Gas only after it is properly converted, adapted, and tested for performance with LP-Gas before the appliance is placed in use.
- Containers shall be upright upon firm foundations or otherwise firmly secured. The possible effect on the outlet piping of settling shall be guarded against by a flexible connection or special fitting.

Containers and Equipment Used Inside of Buildings or Structures

- When operational requirements make portable use of containers necessary, and their location outside of buildings or structures is impracticable, containers and equipment shall be permitted to be used inside of buildings or structures in accordance with paragraphs (h)(2) through (11) of this section.

“Containers in use” means connected for use.

- Systems utilizing containers having a water capacity greater than 2½ pounds (nominal 1 pound LP-Gas capacity) shall be equipped with excess flow valves. Such excess flow valves shall be either integral with the container valves or in the connections to the container valve outlets.
- Regulators shall be either directly connected to the container valves or to manifolds connected to the container valves. The regulator shall be suitable for use with LP-Gas. Manifolds and fittings connecting containers to pressure regulator inlets shall be designed for at least 250 p.s.i.g. service pressure.
- Valves on containers having water capacity greater than 50 pounds (nominal 20 pounds LP-Gas capacity) shall be protected from damage while in use or storage.
- Aluminum piping or tubing shall not be used.
- Hose shall be designed for a working pressure of at least 250 p.s.i.g. Design, construction, and performance of hose, and hose connections shall have their suitability determined by listing by a nationally recognized testing agency. The hose length shall be as short as practicable. Hoses shall be long enough to permit compliance with spacing provisions of paragraphs (h)(1) through (13) of this section, without kinking or straining, or causing hose to be so close to a burner as to be damaged by heat.
- Portable heaters, including salamanders, shall be equipped with an approved automatic device to shut off the flow of gas to the main burner, and pilot if used, in the event of flame failure. Such heaters, having inputs above 50,000 B.t.u. per hour, shall be equipped with either a pilot, which must be lighted and proved before the main burner can be turned on, or an electrical ignition system. *NOTE: The provisions of this subparagraph do not apply to portable heaters under 7,500 B.t.u. per hour input when used with containers having a maximum water capacity of 2½ pounds.*
- Container valves, connectors, regulators, manifolds, piping, and tubing shall not be used as structural supports for heaters.
- Containers, regulating equipment, manifolds, pipe, tubing, and hose shall be located to minimize exposure to high temperatures or physical damage.
- Containers having a water capacity greater than 2½ pounds (nominal 1 pound LP-Gas capacity) connected for use shall stand on a firm and substantially level surface and, when necessary, shall be secured in an upright position.
- The maximum water capacity of individual containers shall be 245 pounds (nominal 100 pounds LP-Gas capacity).
- For temporary heating, heaters (other than integral heater-container units) shall be located at least 6 feet from any LP-Gas container. This shall not prohibit the use of heaters specifically designed for attachment to the container or to a supporting standard, provided they are designed and installed so as to prevent direct or radiant heat application from the heater onto the containers. Blower and radiant type heaters shall not be directed toward any LP-Gas container within 20 feet.
- If two or more heater-container units, of either the integral or nonintegral type, are located in an

unpartitioned area on the same floor, the container or containers of each unit shall be separated from the container or containers of any other unit by at least 20 feet.

- When heaters are connected to containers for use in an unpartitioned area on the same floor, the total water capacity of containers, manifolded together for connection to a heater or heaters, shall not be greater than 735 pounds (nominal 300 pounds LP-Gas capacity). Such manifolds shall be separated by at least 20 feet.
- Storage of containers awaiting use shall be in accordance with paragraphs (j) and (k) of this section.

Multiple Container Systems

- Valves in the assembly of multiple container systems shall be arranged so that replacement of containers can be made without shutting off the flow of gas in the system. This provision is not to be construed as requiring an automatic changeover device.
- Heaters shall be equipped with an approved regulator in the supply line between the fuel cylinder and the heater unit. Cylinder connectors shall be provided with an excess flow valve to minimize the flow of gas in the event the fuel line becomes ruptured.
- Regulators and low-pressure relief devices shall be rigidly attached to the cylinder valves, cylinders, supporting standards, the building walls, or otherwise rigidly secured, and shall be so installed or protected from the elements.

Storage of LPG Containers

- Storage of LPG within buildings is prohibited.

Storage Outside of Buildings

- Storage outside of buildings, for containers awaiting use, shall be located from the nearest building or group of buildings, in accordance with the following:

- **TABLE F-3**

• Quantity of LP-Gas Stored	• Distance (feet)
• 500 lbs. or less	• 0
• 501 to 6,000 lbs.	• 10
• 6,001 to 10,000 lbs.	• 20
• Over 10,000 lbs	• 25

- Containers shall be in a suitable ventilated enclosure or otherwise protected against tampering.

Fire Protection

- Storage locations shall be provided with at least one approved portable fire extinguisher having a rating of not less than 20-B:C.

Systems Utilizing Containers Other Than DOT Containers

- This paragraph applies specifically to systems utilizing storage containers other than those

constructed in accordance with DOT specifications. Paragraph (b) of this section applies to this paragraph unless otherwise noted in paragraph (b) of this section.

- Storage containers shall be designed and classified in accordance with Table F-31 of 1926.153(m)(2).
- Containers with foundations attached (portable or semiportable containers with suitable steel “runners” or “skids” and popularly known in the industry as “skid tanks”) shall be designed, installed, and used in accordance with these rules subject to the following provisions:
 - If they are to be used at a given general location for a temporary period not to exceed 6 months they need not have fire-resisting foundations or saddles but shall have adequate ferrous metal supports.
 - They shall not be located with the outside bottom of the container shell more than 5 feet (1.52 m) above the surface of the ground unless fire-resisting supports are provided.
 - The bottom of the skids shall not be less than 2 inches (5.08 cm) or more than 12 inches (30.48 cm) below the outside bottom of the container shell.
 - Flanges, nozzles, valves, fittings, and the like, having communication with the interior of the container, shall be protected against physical damage.
 - When not permanently located on fire-resisting foundations, piping connections shall be sufficiently flexible to minimize the possibility of breakage or leakage of connections if the container settles, moves, or is otherwise displaced.

- Skids, or lugs for attachment of skids, shall be secured to the container in accordance with the code or rules under which the container is designed and built (with a minimum factor of safety of four) to withstand loading in any direction equal to four times the weight of the container and attachments when filled to the maximum permissible loaded weight.
- Field welding where necessary shall be made only on saddle plates or brackets which were applied by the manufacturer of the tank.

Marking of Gas Cylinders

- When LP-Gas and one or more other gases are stored or used in the same area, the containers shall be marked to identify their content. Marking shall be in compliance with American National Standard Z48.1-1954, **Method of Marking Portable Compressed Gas Containers To Identify the Material Contained.**

Damage From Vehicles

- When damage to LP-Gas systems from vehicular traffic is a possibility, precautions against such damage shall be taken.

TEMPORARY HEATING DEVICES - 1926.154

Ventilation

- Fresh air shall be supplied in sufficient quantities to maintain the health and safety of workers. Where natural means of fresh air supply is inadequate, mechanical ventilation shall be provided.
- When heaters are used in confined spaces, special care shall be taken to provide sufficient ventilation in order to ensure proper combustion, maintain the health and safety of workers, and

limit temperature rise in the area.

Clearance and Mounting

- Temporary heating devices shall be installed to provide clearance to combustible material not less than the amount shown in Table F-4 in §1926.154(b)(1).
- Temporary heating devices, which are listed for installation with lesser clearances than specified in Table F-4, may be installed in accordance with their approval.
- Heaters not suitable for use on wood floors shall not be set directly upon them or other combustible materials. When such heaters are used, they shall rest on suitable heat insulating material or at least 1-inch concrete, or equivalent. The insulating material shall extend beyond the heater 2 feet or more in all directions.
- Heaters used in the vicinity of combustible tarpaulins, canvas, or similar coverings shall be located at least 10 feet from the coverings. The coverings shall be securely fastened to prevent ignition or upsetting of the heater due to wind action on the covering or other material.

Stability

- Heaters, when in use, shall be set horizontally level, unless otherwise permitted by the manufacturer's markings.

Solid Fuel Salamanders

- Solid fuel salamanders are prohibited in buildings and on scaffolds.

Oil-Fired Heaters

- Flammable liquid-fired heaters shall be equipped with a primary safety control to stop the flow of fuel in the event of flame failure. Barometric or gravity oil feed shall not be considered a primary safety control.
- Heaters designed for barometric or gravity oil feed shall be used only with the integral tanks.
- Heaters specifically designed and approved for use with separate supply tanks may be directly connected for gravity feed, or an automatic pump, from a supply tank.

Fire Safety Program

Purpose

The Fire Safety Program is designed to reduce the risk of fire in the work place by eliminating potential fire risks. The program also works in conjunction with other emergency plans and safety programs, including the review of all new building construction and renovations to ensure compliance with applicable state, local, and national fire and life safety standards.

Responsibilities

Management

- Ensure that fire prevention methods are established and enforced
- Ensure that fire suppression systems such as sprinklers and extinguishers are periodically inspected and maintained
- Train all employees in the use of fire extinguishers
- Train employees on evacuation routes and procedures

Supervisors

- Monitor the use of flammable materials and liquids
- Train assigned employees in the safe storage, use and handling of flammable materials
- Ensure that flammable material storage areas are properly maintained

Employees

- Use, store and transfer flammable materials in accordance with provided training
- Do not mix flammable materials
- Report immediately violations of the Fire Safety Program

Elimination of Ignition Sources

All nonessential ignition sources must be eliminated where flammable liquids are used or stored. The following is a list of some of the more common potential ignition sources:

- Open flames, such as cutting and welding torches, furnaces, matches, and heaters-these sources should be kept away from flammable liquids operations. Cutting or welding on flammable liquids equipment should not be performed unless the equipment has been properly emptied and purged with a neutral gas such as nitrogen.
- Chemical sources of ignition such as d.c. motors, switched, and circuit breakers should be eliminated where flammable liquids are handled or stored. Only approved explosion-proof devices should be used in these areas.
- Mechanical sparks- Can be produced as a result of friction. Only non-sparking tools should be used in areas where flammable liquids are stored or handled.
- Static sparks-- Can be generated as a result of electron transfer between two contacting surfaces. The electrons can discharge in a small volume, raising the temperature to above the ignition temperature. Every effort should be made to eliminate the possibility of static sparks. Also proper

bonding and grounding procedures must be followed when flammable liquids are transferred or transported.

Removal of Incompatibles

Materials that can contribute to a flammable liquid fire should not be stored with flammable liquids. Examples are oxidizers and organic peroxides, which, on decomposition, can generate large amounts of oxygen.

Flammable Gases

Generally, flammable gases pose the same type of fire hazards as flammable liquids and their vapors. Many of the safeguards for flammable liquids also apply to flammable gases, other properties such as toxicity, reactivity, and corrosivity also must be taken into account. Also, a gas that is flammable could produce toxic combustion products.

Fire Extinguishers/Sprinklers/Fire Alarm

A portable fire extinguisher is a "first aid" device and is very effective when used while the fire is small. The use of fire extinguisher that matches the class of fire, by a person who is well trained, can save both lives and property. Portable fire extinguishers must be installed in workplaces regardless of other fire fighting measures. The successful performance of a fire extinguisher in a fire situation largely depends on its proper selection, inspection, maintenance, and distribution.

Classification of Fires and Selection of Extinguishers

Fires are classified into four general categories, depending on the type of material or fuel involved. The type of fire determines the type of extinguisher to be used:

Class A fires involve materials such as wood, paper, and cloth which produce glowing embers or char.

Class B fires involve flammable gases, liquids, and greases, including gasoline and most hydrocarbon liquids, which must be vaporized for combustion to occur.

Class C fires involve fires in live electrical equipment or in materials near electrically powered equipment.

Class D fires involve combustible metals, such as magnesium, zirconium, potassium, and sodium.

Extinguishers will be selected according to the potential fire hazard, the construction and occupancy of facilities, hazard to be protected, and other factors pertinent to the situation.

Location and Marking of Extinguishers

Extinguishers will be conspicuously located and readily accessible for immediate use in the event of fire. They will be located along normal paths of travel and egress. Wall recesses and/or flush-mounted cabinets will be used as extinguisher locations whenever possible.

Extinguishers will be clearly visible. In locations where visual obstruction cannot be completely avoided, directional arrows will be provided to indicate the location of extinguishers and the arrows will be marked with the extinguisher classification.

If extinguishers intended for different classes of fire are located together, they will be conspicuously marked to ensure that the proper class extinguisher selection is made at the time of a fire. Extinguisher classification markings will be located on the front of the shell above or below the extinguisher nameplate. Markings will be of a size and form to be legible from a distance of 3 feet.

Condition of Extinguisher

Portable extinguishers will be maintained in a fully charged and operable condition. They will be kept in their designated locations at all times when not being used. When extinguishers are removed for maintenance or testing, a fully charged and operable replacement unit will be provided.

Mounting and Distribution of Extinguishers

Extinguishers will be installed on hangers, brackets, in cabinets, or on shelves. Extinguishers having a gross weight not exceeding 40 pounds will be so installed that the top of the extinguisher is not more than 3-1/2 feet above the floor.

Extinguishers mounted in cabinets or wall recesses or set on shelves will be placed so that the extinguisher operating instructions face outward. The location of such extinguishers will be made conspicuous by marking the cabinet or wall recess in a contrasting color that will distinguish it from the normal decor.

Extinguishers must be distributed in such a way that the amount of time needed to travel to their location and back to the fire does not allow the fire to get out of control. OSHA requires that the travel distance for Class A and Class D extinguishers not exceed 75 feet. The maximum travel distance for Class B extinguishers is 50 feet because flammable liquid fires can get out of control faster than Class A fires. There is no maximum travel distance specified for Class C extinguishers, but they must be distributed on the basis of appropriate patterns for Class A and B hazards.

Inspection and Maintenance

Once an extinguisher is selected, purchased, and installed, it is the responsibility of CF Maintenance/individual departments to oversee the inspection, maintenance, and testing of fire extinguishers to ensure that they are in proper working condition.

Sprinklers

Only Authorized personnel* may disable sprinklers and alarm system.

*Building Maintenance.

Fire Safety Inspections/Housekeeping

First-line supervisors and Safety Committees are responsible for conducting work-site surveys that comply with the Fire Safety Program. Surveys should include observations of work-site safety and housekeeping issues and should specifically address proper storage of chemicals and supplies, unobstructed access to fire extinguishers, and emergency evacuation routes. Surveys should also determine if an emergency evacuation plan is present in work areas and that personnel are familiar with the plan.

Emergency Exit

Every exit will be clearly visible, or the route to it conspicuously identified in such a manner that every occupant of the building will readily know the direction of escape from any point. At no time will exits be blocked.

Any doorway or passageway which is not an exit or access to an exit but which may be mistaken for an exit, will be identified by a sign reading "Not An Exit" or a sign indicating its actual use (e.g., "Storeroom"). A readily visible sign will mark exits and accesses to exits. Each exit sign (other than internally illuminated signs) will be illuminated by a reliable light source providing not less than 5 foot-candles on the illuminated surface.

Persons with Disabilities: Emergency Plan

The first-line supervisor is assigned the responsibility of assisting Persons with Disabilities (PWD) under their supervision. The supervisor will choose an alternate assistant. The role of the two assistants is to report to their assigned person, and to either assist in evacuation or ensure that the PWD is removed from danger.

- Supervisors, alternates, and the person with a disability will be trained on available escape routes and methods.
- A list of persons with disabilities is kept in the Departmental Offices.
- Visitors who have disabilities will be assisted in a manner similar to that of company employees. The Host of the person with disabilities will assist in their evacuation.

Emergencies Involving Fire

Fire Alarms

In the event of a fire emergency, a fire alarm will sound for the building.

Evacuation Routes and Plans

Each facility shall have an emergency evacuation plan. All emergency exits shall conform to NFPA standards.

Should evacuation be necessary, go to the nearest exit or stairway and proceed to an area of refuge outside the building. Most stairways are fire resistant and present barriers to smoke if the doors are kept closed.

Do not use elevators. Should the fire involve the control panel of the elevator or the electrical system of the building, power in the building may be cut and you could be trapped between floors. The elevator shaft can also become a flue, lending itself to the passage and accumulation of hot gases and smoke generated by the fire.

Emergency Coordinators/Supervisors

Emergency Coordinators/Supervisors will be responsible for verifying personnel have evacuated from their assigned areas.

Fire Emergency Procedures

If you discover a fire

1. Activate the nearest fire alarm.
2. Call 911
3. Notify occupants in the area.

Fight the fire ONLY if

1. The fire department has been notified of the fire, **AND**
2. You have the proper extinguisher, in good working order, **AND** know how to use it.
3. The fire is small and confined to its area of origin.

If you hear a fire alarm

1. Evacuate the area.
2. Leave the building and move away from exits and out of the way of emergency operations.
3. Assemble in a designated area.
4. Report to the monitor so he/she can determine that all personnel have evacuated your area.
5. Remain outside until competent authority states that it is safe to re-enter.

Evacuation Routes

1. Learn at least two escape routes, and emergency exits from your area.
2. Never use an elevator as part of your escape route.
3. Learn to activate a fire alarm.
4. Learn to recognize alarm sounds.
5. Take an active part in fire evacuation drills.

Flammables and Combustibles Safe Operating Procedures

Purpose

Proper Storage and use of flammable liquids can significantly reduce the possibility of accidental fires and injury to employees. To minimize risk to life and property, the requirements of NFPA 30 & 321 and OSHA Standard 1910.106 have been implemented. MSDS for flammable liquids are kept in each shop location.

Responsibilities

Management

- Provide proper storage for flammable liquids
- Ensure that proper training is provided to employees who work with flammable liquids
- Ensure containers are properly labeled

Supervisors

- Provide adequate training in the use and storage of flammable liquids
- Monitor for liquids for proper use and storage
- Keep only the minimum amount required on hand
- Ensure that MSDS are current for all flammable liquids

Employees

- Follow all storage and use requirements
- Report deficiencies in storage and use to supervisors
- Contain and clean spills if possible.
- Report spills to supervisors.

Hazard Control

Engineering Controls

- Properly designed flammable storage areas
- Ventilated Storage areas
- Grounding Straps on Drums and dispensing points

Administrative Controls

- Designated storage areas
- Limiting amount of flammable liquids in use and storage
- Employee Training
- Limited & controlled access to bulk storage areas

- Posted Danger, Warning and Hazard Signs

Definitions

Flammable Liquid - a liquid with a flashpoint below 100⁰F

Class IA - flashpoint below 73⁰F and boiling point below 100⁰F

Class IB - flashpoint below 73⁰F and boiling point above 100⁰F

Class IC - flash at or above 73⁰F and below 100⁰F

Combustible Liquids - a liquid having a flash point at or above 100⁰ F.

Class II Combustibles - Flashpoint above 100⁰F and below 140⁰F

Class III Combustibles - Flashpoint at or above 140⁰F

Subclass IIIA - flashpoint at or above 140⁰F and below 200⁰F

Subclass IIIB - flashpoint at or above 200⁰F

Substitution

Flammable liquids sometimes may be substituted by relatively safe materials in order to reduce the risk of fires. Any substituted material should be stable and nontoxic and should either be nonflammable or have a high flashpoint.

Storage & Usage of Flammable Liquids

Flammable and combustible liquids require careful handling at all times. The proper storage of flammable liquids within a work area is very important in order to protect personnel from fire and other safety and health hazards.

- Storage of Flammable liquids shall be in NFPA approved flammable storage lockers or in low value structures at least 50 feet from any other structure. Do not store other combustible materials near flammable storage areas or lockers
- Bulk drums of flammable liquids must be grounded and bonded to containers during dispensing
- Portable containers of gasoline or diesel are not to exceed 5 gallons
- Safety cans used for dispensing flammable or combustible liquids shall be kept at a point of use.
- Appropriate fire extinguishers are to be mounted within 75 feet of outside areas containing flammable liquids, and within 10 feet of any inside storage area for such materials.
- Storage rooms for flammable and combustible liquids must have explosion-proof light fixtures
- Bulk storage of gasoline or diesel are kept in above ground tanks. Tank areas are diked to contain accidental spills. Tanks shall be labeled IAW NFPA guidelines. All tank areas shall be designated no smoking - no hot work - no open flame areas.
- No flames, hotwork, or smoking is permitted in flammable or combustible liquid storage areas.
- The maximum amount of flammable liquids that may be stored in a building are
 - 20 gallons of Class IA liquids in containers
 - 100 gallons of Class IB, IC, II, or III liquids in containers
 - 500 gallons of Class IB, IC, II, or III liquids in a single portable tank.

- Flammable liquid transfer areas are to be separated from other operations by distance or by construction having proper fire resistance.
- When not in use flammable liquids shall be kept in covered containers.
- Class I liquids may be used only where there are no open flames or other sources of ignition within the possible path of vapor travel.
- Flammable or combustible liquids shall be drawn from or transferred into vessels, containers, or portable tanks within a building only through a closed piping system, from safety cans, by means of a device drawing through the top, or from a container or portable tanks by gravity through an approved self-closing valve. Transferring by means of air pressure on the container or portable tanks shall be prohibited.
- Maintenance and operating practices shall be in accordance with established procedures which will tend to control leakage and prevent the accidental escape of flammable or combustible liquids. Spills shall be cleaned up promptly.
- Combustible waste material and residues in a building or unit operating area shall be kept to a minimum, stored in covered metal receptacles and disposed of daily.
- Rooms in which flammable or combustible liquids are stored or handled by pumps shall have exit facilities arranged to prevent occupants from being trapped in the event of fire.
- Inside areas in which Class I liquids are stored or handled shall be heated only by means not constituting a source of ignition, such as steam, hot water or forces central systems located away from the area.

Cabinets

Not more than 120 gallons of Class I, Class II, and Class IIIA liquids may be stored in a storage cabinet. Of this total, not more than 60 gallons may be Class I and II liquids. Not more than three such cabinets (120 gallons each) may be located in a single fire area except in an industrial area.

Containers

The capacity of flammable and combustible liquid containers will be in accordance with the above table 1.

Maximum allowable capacity of containers and portable tanks

Container	Flammable Liquids		Combustible Liquids		
	1A	1B	1C	II	III
Glass or approved plastic ¹	1 pt ²	1 qt ²	1 gal	1 gal	1 gal
Metal (Other than DOT drums)	1 gal	5 gal	5 gal	5 gal	5 gal
Safety Cans	2 gal	5 gal	5 gal	5 gal	5 gal
Metal drums (DOT specifications)	60 gal	60 gal	60 gal	60 gal	60 gal
Approved portable tanks	660 gal	660 gal	660 gal	660 gal	660 gal

(1) Nearest metric size is also acceptable for the glass and plastic

(2) One gallon or nearest metric equivalent size may be used if metal and labeled with their contents.

Storage Inside Buildings

Where approved storage cabinets or rooms are not provided, inside storage will comply with the following basic conditions:

- The storage of any flammable or combustible liquid shall not physically obstruct a means of egress from the area or building.
- Containers of flammable or combustible liquids will remain tightly sealed except when transferred, poured or applied. Remove only that portion of liquid in the storage container required to accomplish a particular job.
- If a flammable and combustible liquid storage building is used, it will be a one-story building devoted principally to the handling and storing of flammable or combustible liquids. The building will have 2-hour fire-rated exterior walls having no opening within 10 feet of such storage.
- Flammable paints, oils, and varnishes in 1 or 5-gallon containers, used for building maintenance purposes, may be stored temporarily in closed containers outside approved storage cabinets or room if kept at the job site for less than 10 calendar days.

Ventilation

Every inside-storage room will be provided with a continuous mechanical exhaust ventilation system. To prevent the accumulation of vapors, the location of both the makeup and exhaust air openings will be arranged to provide, as far as practical, air movement directly to the exterior of the building and if ducts are used, they will not be used for any other purpose.

Designated Flammable Storage Areas

[to be documented by each Department.]

Hearing Conservation

Introduction

The OSHA general industry standard, Occupational Noise Exposure (29 CFR 1910.95) requires employers to reduce hazardous noise exposure to average levels of 90 dB(A) or below by means of feasible engineering or administrative controls. Employees whose average noise exposure levels exceed 85 dB(A) must be provided with a "continuing, effective hearing conservation program." The OSHA noise standard is a minimum standard and may be improved upon in numerous areas, as long as employers provide at least as much protection as the standard.

Purpose

- To conserve hearing as an important preventative measure.
- To reduce the potential for occupational hearing loss for all employees whose job duties expose them to noise levels regulated by OSHA standard **29 CFR 1910.95**.

Policy

It is the policy of Campus Facilities to provide its employees with a safe and healthful work environment. The guidelines in this program are designed to help reduce employee exposure against hazardous noise. The primary objective is to prevent excessive exposure to noise. This is accomplished wherever feasible by accepted engineering and work practice control measures. When effective engineering controls are not feasible, or while they are being implemented or evaluated, hearing protection may be required to achieve this goal. In these situations, hearing protection is provided at no cost to the employees.

Responsibilities

1. Assistant Vice Chancellor - Facilities

In conjunction with the University Department of Environmental Health and Safety, the AVC shall set the policy for the hearing conservation program, see that it is properly administered, and make sure that it complies with OSHA's requirements. This includes delegating to or contracting with trained personnel to implement the various aspects of the hearing conservation program. Also the AVC shall provide or contract for the necessary noise control devices, noise measuring and audiometric equipment, and hearing protection devices.

2. Program Administrator

It is the responsibility of the individual who administers the hearing conservation program to ensure that noise measurement, audiometric testing, employee training, and the selection and fitting of hearing protection devices be implemented by appropriately trained/certified and knowledgeable individuals. The same individual need not perform all of these functions, but shall ensure that the functions are effectively coordinated.

3. Management/Supervisory Personnel

Supervisors of each area are responsible for ensuring that all personnel under their control are completely knowledgeable of the hearing conservation requirements for the areas in which they work. **They are also responsible for ensuring that their subordinates comply with all facets of this program, including hearing protector inspection and maintenance. They are responsible for implementing disciplinary procedures for employees who do not comply with hearing conservation requirements.**

4. Employees

The employee is responsible for complying with the various elements of the hearing conservation program and for wearing hearing protectors when required. Employees are also responsible for selecting a suitable hearing protection device from the options offered by the employer, and are responsible for the proper use and care of these devices.

Summary of OSHA's Noise Standard

OSHA's noise standard, 29 CFR 1910.95, calls for a maximum permissible exposure limit (PEL) of 90 dB(A). This noise limit is a time-weighted average level (TWA) for an eight-hour exposure. The standard also uses a 5 dB exchange rate or trading relationship between noise level and duration, meaning that the exposure level may be increased by 5 dB every time the duration is cut in half (i.e., 95 dB(A) for 4 hours, 100 dB(A) for two hours, and so forth. See table below:

<i>Noise Level dB(A)</i>	<i>Exposure Allowed Hours</i>	<i>NOTE</i>
85	16	1
90	8	2
95	4	
100	2	
105	1	
110	30 minutes	
115	15 minutes	3

NOTES

1. Employees whose exposures equal or exceed an action level of 85 dB(A) must be included in a hearing conservation program consisting of noise exposure monitoring, audiometric testing, hearing protection devices, training and education, and record keeping. Hearing protection devices must be provided to employees whose exposures equal or exceed a TWA of 90 dB(A) and employees must wear them.

2. Noise exposures in excess of the 90 dB(A) PEL must be reduced by feasible engineering or administrative controls. If such controls fail, personal protective equipment shall be provided and used to reduce the sound levels to at least 90 dB(A).

3. Continuous noise levels may not exceed 115 dB(A).

4. Exposure to impulsive or impact noise should not exceed 140 dB peak sound pressure level.

Noise Exposure Monitoring

Noise levels will be monitored to determine the extent of the exposures, to target those areas where noise control may be necessary, and to identify employees who should be included in the other aspects of the hearing conservation program.

Noise exposure monitoring will be conducted for all employees exposed to an eight-hour TWA of 85 dB(A) and above.

Area monitoring may be used under some circumstances, but personal monitoring will be used when workers are highly mobile, noise levels vary

considerably, or when the noise has a significant impulsive component. All continuous, intermittent, and impulsive sound from 80 dB(A) to 130 dB(A) shall be included in the calculation of noise exposure level or dose. The dosimeter shall be set to a threshold of 80 dB(A) to determine the need to implement a hearing conservation program. To determine the PEL (the level at which engineering controls or use of hearing protection must be implemented), the dosimeter shall be set to a threshold of 80 dB(A).

It is understood that noise conditions can change when equipment, arrangement of work areas, additional equipment or equipment wears out. When noise conditions have a noticeable effect or engineering review warrants it, additional testing shall be performed.

Noise measurement equipment shall be returned to the manufacturer or manufacturer's representative for factory or laboratory recalibration every 12 months, according to manufacturer's instructions. Employees shall be provided the opportunity to observe the monitoring and shall be notified of the results.

Instruments used to measure employee noise exposure shall be calibrated before and after each use according to manufacturer's instructions to ensure measurement accuracy.

Engineering/Administrative Noise Control

Feasible engineering or administrative controls shall be used to reduce noise levels to at least the PEL (TWA of 90 dB(A)). These may include:

1. Controlling the noise source
 - a. By designing a quieter method of carrying out an industrial process,
 - b. By purchasing quieter equipment,

- c. By isolating or enclosing noisy machines.
2. Controlling the noise pathway
 - a. By installing sound-absorbing materials on walls, floors and ceilings,
 - b. By erecting barriers or large curtains.
 3. Controlling the receiver's immediate environment by constructing a sound-treated booth or control room.
 4. Controlling equipment maintenance and adjusting procedures.
 - a. Noise test machinery as part of preventative maintenance schedules.

Audiometric Testing

Audiometric tests shall be provided every 12 months to all employees whose exposures equal or exceed an 8 hour TWA of 85 dB(A). Audiometric tests will be administered by technicians certified by the Council for Accreditation in Occupational Hearing Conservation (CAOHC). The technician who administers the test shall be supervised by an audiologist, otolaryngologist, or other physician. The baseline audiogram will be performed prior to any noise exposure. If a mobile testing service is used, the baseline audiogram shall be conducted prior to any noise exposure. Hearing protectors may be substituted for the 14-hour noise-free period, but this practice shall not be recommended.

Technicians may evaluate most audiograms, but "problem" audiograms shall be referred to the supervising audiologist or physician. The supervising audiologist or physician should define "problem" audiograms for the technician. Audiograms shall be evaluated to determine whether a "standard threshold shift" (STS) has occurred, which is defined as a change in hearing threshold from baseline in either ear of an average of 10 dB or more at the audiometric frequencies 2000, 3000 and 4000 Hz. Employees who experience an STS shall be notified of this fact, in writing, within 21 days of the determination. They shall be counseled, required to use hearing protection, and their hearing protectors checked. They may be provided with hearing protectors which offer greater attenuation if necessary. An

annual audiogram may be substituted for the baseline if the reviewing professional determines that an STS is persistent. Employees shall be referred for further evaluation if additional testing is necessary or if a medical condition of the ear is thought to be caused or aggravated by the use of hearing protectors.

Audiograms shall include the test frequencies 500, 1000, 2000, 3000, 4000 and 6000 Hz. Audiometers shall undergo an acoustic calibration every 12 months. Audiometers shall undergo an exhaustive calibration so that they meet ANSI specifications for performance every 24 months. However, if a change of greater than or equal to 15 dB is noted at any frequency during the acoustic calibration, an exhaustive calibration will be conducted. A daily biological or electroacoustic calibration and daily listening checks will be conducted.

Campus Facilities Personnel Department shall maintain accurate records of the measurements of the background sound pressure levels in audiometric test rooms to assure that, at a minimum, they meet the OSHA requirements as set out in Appendix D of the OSHA Standard.

Names of employees who display work related hearing shifts of an average of 25 dB or more from the original baseline at 2000, 3000, and 4000 Hertz (Hz) in either ear must be reported on an injury report and recorded on the OSHA 300 log. Age correction is allowed. UM Risk Management shall keep all records of exposures.

Hearing Protection

All employees exposed to noise above the PEL (TWA of 90 dB(A)) shall be provided with hearing protectors and shall wear them.

Protectors shall also be worn by employees exposed to a TWA of 85 dB (A) or above if:

- They have worked for 6 months and have not yet received a baseline audiogram or
- They have experienced an STS

Workers shall be provided with a choice of suitable protectors, which OSHA has interpreted to mean at least one model of ear plugs and one model of ear muffs. More are preferred. Protectors will be provided at no cost to the employee.

Hearing protectors shall attenuate exposures to at least 90 dB(A) for an 8-hour TWA. Hearing protectors shall attenuate exposures to at least 85 dB(A) for employees who have experienced an STS.

A choice of methods for assessing attenuation is given in the Standard's Appendices.

The most convenient and commonly used method to determine hearing protector attenuation is the Noise Reduction Rating (NRR), which is printed on the smallest hearing protector package sold. The NRR is to be subtracted from the employee's C-weighted workplace TWA. If C-weighted noise levels are not available, a 7 dB correction must be subtracted from the NRR to account for spectral uncertainty before the NRR is subtracted from the A-weighted noise level in the employee's environment.

Employers must reassess the adequacy of hearing protector attenuation whenever there is a change in exposure or process that might necessitate a change in attenuation.

Hearing Conservation Training Program

At time of hire and annually thereafter, a training program shall be provided for employees exposed to a TWA of 85 dB (A) or above. This program shall include the following:

1. An explanation of the effects of noise on hearing.
2. The purposes and procedures of audiometric testing.
3. Several aspects of hearing protection:
 - *The purposes of hearing protectors.
 - *The advantages, disadvantages, and attenuation of various types.
 - *Selection, fitting, use, and care of the devices.

It is also advisable to discuss extra-curricular (non-occupational) noise exposures as they also affect hearing in the same manner as occupational noise exposures.

The entire training program need not be conducted all at one time. Employees shall be re-trained every 12 months.

Record Keeping

Records shall be kept of noise exposure and audiometric tests, including details about instrumentation and calibration. Noise exposure measurements shall be kept for the duration of employment and audiometric test records shall be kept for the duration of employment. It is recommended, however, that both types of records be maintained for substantially longer periods.

The OSHA noise standard is a minimum standard and may be improved upon in numerous areas, as long as employers provide at least as much protection as the standard.

Hearing Protector Selection Safety Operating Procedure (SOP)

Selecting the right type of hearing protectors depends on the type of noise and working conditions. Your safety, industrial hygiene, and/or health personnel should be able to find the right one for you.

One of the most important points is the length of time that you use your hearing protectors. The more comfortable and easy they are to use, the longer you will wear them.

Remember the following points when choosing your hearing protectors:

- FIT** - There must be an effective seal.

- ☒ **EFFICIENCY** - Noise must be reduced to safe levels.
- ☒ **COMFORT** - As you must use the hearing protectors all the time you are exposed to noise, they should be as light and as comfortable as possible.
- ☒ **EASY TO USE** - Practical and simple to use.
- ☒ **COMPATIBLE WITH OTHER FORMS OF PROTECTION** - You should be able to use other protective devices like safety glasses, hardhats, goggles, welding helmets or respirators with your hearing protectors.

Hearing Protector Fit Test Protocol

Before using any hearing protection devices, always make sure that the device is clean and in good condition.

For all hearing protection devices, refer to the packaging materials for more specific information.

HOW TO FIT FOAM EARPLUGS

- a. Wash your hands. Roll the earplug between your fingers to squeeze into as small a diameter as possible.
- b. To insert the earplug more easily, straighten the ear canal by reaching over the head with the opposite hand and pulling slightly upward and back on the pinna (outer ear).
- c. Insert the earplug into the ear canal.
- d. Hold the earplug in this position for several seconds until it has expanded.

HOW TO FIT PREMOLDED EARPLUGS

- e. Premolded earplugs are made from flexible materials which are preformed to fit the ear. Many are sold in two or more sizes and must be individually sized for each ear. If you have difficulty with a premolded earplug, you should check with your fitter to make sure that the size is appropriate.
- f. Straighten the ear canal by reaching over the head with the opposite hand and pulling slightly upward and back on the pinna (outer ear).
- g. Grasp plug and insert until you feel it sealing.
- h. If a good seal cannot be obtained with a slight twisting motion, use a smaller or larger size or try another type of ear protector.

HOW TO FIT CANAL CAPS (SEMI-AURAL DEVICES)

- a. Canal caps have flexible tips connected to a lightweight headband.
- b. Hold the large end of the tips and place them in the ear canal openings.
- c. Continue to push and wiggle the tips until a firm seal is obtained.

HOW TO FIT EAR MUFFS

- a. Align the height of the ear cup so as to completely cover the entire ear. Brush excess hair away from ear cushions as much as possible. Be certain the cushions seal tightly against the head, with no interference from objects such as respirator headbands, glasses, or earrings, in order to obtain the best performance.
- b. The ear cups may be slipped up or down to adjust for a firm, comfortable fit on the ear.

Note: Ear muffs may not fit all head sizes and shapes.

HEARING PROTECTION TRAINING AND PROTOCOL

1. Explain to the employee the importance of paying attention to all noise exposures, both at work and at home.
2. Explain the difference between disposable and reusable earplugs.
 - a. Disposable earplugs are thrown away after a limited number of usings while reusable earplugs may last several months.
 - b. Disposable earplugs may be formed or molded to fit in the ear; reusable earplugs are usually pre-molded.
3. Discuss the proper fitting of earplugs
 - a. When the first plug is inserted, sounds will be heard as if the ear is stuffed or plugged up. When the second plug is inserted, sounds should appear equal on both sides.
 - b. Cup your hands over the ear after the plug is inserted. If sounds appear quieter when the hand is in place, the plug is not sealing properly.
 - c. If the plug has a handle, pump it. You should feel a change in pressure.
 - d. Make sure that the earplug does not slide out of the ear easily.
 - e. To check the fit of foam plugs, insert the plug, allow it to expand fully, and then remove it. There should be a smooth indentation in the plug approximately 1/3 to 1/2 way down the plug and there should be no wrinkles or creases.
4. Explain the proper care and use of hearing protectors

Disposable Earplugs

- ☒ Always ensure that hands are clean before inserting plugs.
- ☒ Discard any plug which becomes dirty or loses its flexibility.

Reusable Earplugs

- ☒ Always ensure that hands are clean before inserting plugs.

- ☒ Wash daily with mild soap and water, rinse, dry and place in a storage container or plastic bag.
- ☒ Discard any plugs which are brittle, misshapen, or discolored or which have begun to shrink.
- ☒ Make sure canal caps, if used, have a tight and springy headband.

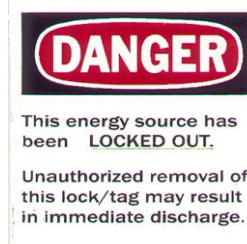
Ear Muffs

- ☒ Wash ear muff seals daily with mild soap and water. Rinse and dry.
 - ☒ Replace muff cushions which have become cracked, dried out or brittle. Replace entire muff when the headband has lost its tension.
 - ☒ Personalize ear muffs with markers or tape labels. DO NOT drill initials into the ear muff caps.
 - ☒ Make sure that the seal is tight by keeping long hair away from the seals, using glasses with small bows/temples, and avoiding large earrings.
5. If the employee has experienced an STS, have the employee demonstrate to the trainer how hearing protection is worn.
- a. Check the condition of the hearing protection device.
 - b. Check for fit and reinstruct on insertion or use.
 - c. Discuss the importance of using hearing protection for all activities with noise exposure. Discuss the work area, work situation, exposure levels and use of hearing protection devices. Refit with a protector having greater attenuation if appropriate.
6. Complete records:
- a. Have each employee sign a form indicating that training has been received.
 - b. Make sure that all training forms are dated and include topics covered, training materials used and name(s) of presenter(s).



The Control of Hazardous Energy

LOCKOUT / TAGOUT PROGRAM



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Prepared by the Campus Facilities Safety Department



PART I - Program Administration

Scope of the Lockout/Tagout (LOTO) Program

This section outlines the procedures and rules to be followed by Campus Facilities employees for safely servicing and maintaining machines and equipment where exposure to the unexpected release of hazardous energy may occur. Procedures herein apply to all mechanical, hydraulic, pneumatic, chemical, thermal, or other energy systems and equipment that use or can store energy.

Purpose

The LOTO program intends to, at a minimum, meet all applicable provisions mandated by the Occupational Safety and Health (OSHA) standard, 29CFR 1910.147, titled "The Control of Hazardous Energy (lockout/tagout)," which requires that machinery and/or equipment is shutdown, isolated from all hazardous energy sources and tagged and locked out before work is performed on either.

Responsibilities

- A. The C.F. Safety Coordinator and LOTO Administrators** from Campus Facilities' six departments are responsible for the development, maintenance, and evaluation of the procedures herein. Each department utilizing the Campus Facilities LOTO program shall have established, documented site-specific procedures for energy isolation. (See Appendix D)
- B. Managers/Supervisors**
 - a. Ensure that employees understand and comply with LOTO procedures
 - b. Conduct employee training with the departmental LOTO administrator
 - c. Maintain supplies of locks, tags and lockout devices
- C. LOTO-authorized Employees:**
 - a. Comply with LOTO procedures
- D. Other Affected Employees:**
 - a. Understand and following LOTO procedures
 - b. Notify supervision of hazards not identified or controlled by LOTO procedures.
- E. Outside Contractors:**
 - a. Comply with Campus Facilities' LOTO program when work involves CF workers.
 - b. Inform Campus Facilities personnel of contractor LOTO program
 - c. Ensure that contractor personnel understand CF LOTO procedures
 - d. Ensure that C.F. employees understand and comply with the contractor's LOTO program.

4. Training

- A.** Employees affected by LOTO procedures will be formally trained and tested on the contents herein. Copies of written tests will be kept on file in the certifying department, and in the C.F. Safety file.
 - a. LOTO-authorized Employees:** Shall receive training on the recognition of applicable hazardous energy sources; the type and magnitude of energy available in the workplace; and the methods and means of energy isolation and control.

b. Affected Employees: Shall receive training on the purpose and use of energy control procedures.

- c. **Other Employees** (workers in areas where energy-control procedures may be implemented): Shall be trained about the procedure and about prohibitions relating to restarting or re-energizing locked out or tagged out machines or equipment.

5. *Re-training:*

A. **Purpose:**

- a. Introducing new or revised control methods and procedures
- b. Re-establishing employee proficiency

B. **Requirements for re-training:**

- a. Change in job assignments.
- b. Change in machines, equipment, or processes that present new hazards
- c. Change in energy-control procedures
- d. Deviations by employees from energy-control procedures
- e. Noted inadequacies in LOTO knowledge and/or practices

6. *Compliance*

A. Campus Facilities personnel shall comply with LOTO program procedures. Compliance will be enforced according to Campus Facilities discipline practices, with evaluations kept on file for five years.

B. Campus Facilities employees are responsible for taking all necessary LOTO precautions to protect personnel and equipment. In the event any system is felt to be unsafe, this concern shall be voiced to others in the work site; the supervisor, department LOTO representative or the C.F. Safety Coordinator. Work shall NOT begin until all parties are assured the system is safely tagged and locked out.

DEFINITIONS

Authorized Employee: An employee whose job requires that machines or equipment be locked or tagged in order to perform service or maintenance. (See item #4 Training)

Affected Employee: An employee required to use machines or equipment on which servicing is performed under the Lockout/Tagout standard or who performs other job responsibilities in an area where such servicing is required. (See item #4 Training)

Other Employee: All employees who are or may be in an area where energy control procedures may be utilized.

Capable of being locked out: An energy-isolating device considered capable of being locked out if:

- Designed with a hasp or mechanism to which a lock can be affixed
- Has a locking mechanism built into it
- Capable of being locked without dismantling, rebuilding, or replacing the energy-isolating device or permanently altering its energy-control capability.

Energized: Connected to an energy source or containing residual or stored energy.

Energy-isolating device: A mechanical device that physically prevents the transmission or release of energy, including, but not limited to, the following:

- Manually operated electrical circuit breaker
- Disconnect switch.
- Manually operated switches by which the conductors of a circuit can be disconnected from all un-grounded supply conductors and, in addition, no pole can be operated independently.
- A line valve, a block, and any similar device used to block or isolate energy.

NOTE: *Push Buttons, Selector Switches and other Control Circuit type devices are NOT energy isolating devices.*

Energy Source: Sources of electrical, mechanical, hydraulic, pneumatic, chemical, thermal, or other energy.

Lockout: The placement of a lockout device on an energy-isolating device -- in accordance with the established procedures -- that ensures the energy-isolating device and the equipment being controlled cannot be operated until the lockout device is removed.

Lockout Device: Any device using positive means -- such as a lock, blank flanges and bolted slip blinds -- to hold an energy-isolating device in a safe position and thereby prevent machinery or equipment from being energized..

Normal production operations: Utilization of a machine or equipment to perform its intended production function.

Servicing and/or maintenance: Workplace activities such as constructing, installing, setting up, adjusting, inspecting, modifying, maintaining and/or servicing machine or equipment. This includes lubrication, cleaning or un-jamming of machines or equipment, and making adjustments or tool changes. This applies to any place where employees could be exposed to the unexpected energization or startup of the equipment, or release of hazardous energy.

Tagout: The placement of a tagout device on an energy-isolating device, in accordance with an established procedure, to indicate that the energy-isolating device and the equipment being controlled may not be operated until the tagout device is removed.

Tagout Device: Any prominent warning, such as a tag and a means of attachment, which can be securely fastened to an energy-isolating device to indicate that the machine or equipment to which it is attached may not be operated until the tagout device is removed.

PART II - LOCKOUT/TAGOUT IMPLEMENTATION

Conditions for implementing LOTO procedures

- When machine guards or other safety devices must be removed or bypassed, resulting in exposure to hazards where the work is actually performed -- the *point of operation*
- When any part of the employee's body must come in contact with the point of operation of the machine or equipment.
- When any part of the employee's body must enter a danger zone associated with a machine operating cycle.

What this program does not cover

Servicing and maintenance of equipment if the safeguarding provisions of Subpart O (Machine Guarding) and other applicable general industry standards are effective in preventing worker exposure to hazards:

- Unexpected energization
- Startup of machines or equipment
- Release of energy

Minor tool changes and adjustments, and other minor servicing activities if they take place during normal production operations that are routine, repetitive, and integral to the use of that production equipment, as long as workers are effectively protected by alternative measures, which provide effective machine safeguarding protection.

Exposure to electrical hazards from work on, near, or with conductors or equipment in electric utility installations.

Hot tap operations that involve transmission and distribution systems for gas, steam, water, or petroleum products on pressurized pipelines if continuity of service is essential, shutdown of the system is impractical, documented procedures are followed, and employees are effectively protected by special equipment.

Work on cord- and plug-connected electrical equipment, if the equipment is unplugged from the energy source and the authorized employee has exclusive control of the plug. **Exclusive control means that:** The cord and plug must be in the possession of the person working on the equipment; OR The electrical cord and plug shall be within arms reach and in sight of the authorized employee; OR The authorized employee shall affix a lockout boot to the plug.

PART III - LOCKOUT/TAGOUT POLICY

Locking

Equipment needing repair or maintenance shall be evaluated to identify all potential energy sources and to determine if all energy sources are effectively isolated by the LOTO procedure. If an energy-isolating device is capable of being locked out, the authorized employee shall utilize lockout.

Locks and Keys

Padlocks used for lockout procedures shall be of the key type. There shall be only two keys for each “lockout” padlock. One key shall be in the possession of the authorized employee. The second key – to be used only in an emergency -- shall be secured and controlled by the employee’s supervisor. The employee’s supervisor shall be responsible for ensuring that Form 2, Emergency Lockout/Tagout Removal in Appendix B, has been completed before the second key is released for use.

Tagging

Tagout alone DOES NOT provide the degree of protection afforded by lockout procedures. Tagging equipment without the use of a lockout device is permissible ONLY in instances where it is physically impossible to use a lockout device. If the equipment can be locked out, it shall be locked out. TAGOUT WITHOUT LOCKOUT REQUIRES TWO FORMS OF APPROVAL. If the department LOTO administrator can demonstrate to the Safety Coordinator that, in a particular situation, the utilization of a tagout system ensures full employee protection, then a tagout will be permitted. Documentation will be required. One copy shall be placed in the “Site Specific” section of the departmental LOTO Manual (or otherwise directed by the department administrator), and a second copy in the Safety Coordinator’s C.F. LOTO Manual. When a tagout device is used on an energy-isolating device that is not capable of being locked out, the tagout device will be attached at the same location that the lockout device would have been attached. In these cases a “Danger, Do Not Operate” tag shall be used.

Equipment Classification

Machinery and equipment shall be assessed and classified into one of three categories for determining LOTO procedures to be followed. Category procedures must be followed. EXCEPTION: Site specific procedures need not be in place if all of the following criteria are met:

- Machinery or equipment has no other potential for stored or residual energy or reaccumulation of stored energy that, after being shut down, could endanger employees.
- Isolating and locking out of the energy source completely deenergizes and deactivates the machine or equipment.
- Machinery or equipment requires only one lockout device to achieve a locked-out condition.
- Machinery or equipment is isolated its energy source and locked out during servicing or maintenance.
- Servicing or maintenance will not create a hazard for other employees.
- Accidents involving the machinery or equipment’s unexpected activation have not occurred in past servicing.

NOTE: If all of the above criteria are met, a lockout device shall be applied to the energy-isolation

device in accordance with **LOTO Procedure Part IV** by the authorized person doing the maintenance.

Cord and Plug

Equipment powered by an electrical cord and plug may be serviced as long as the equipment is unplugged and *under the control* of the employee during the work activity. “**Control of the Plug**” means in possession: in the hand or pocket, within reach, or in line of sight or having a “plug boot” device on the plug.

Multiple Energy Sources

Specific procedures for equipment with multiple energy sources are found in **LOTO Procedure Part V, “Equipment Specific Procedures.”**

Equipment Having No LOTO Procedure

The following shall apply where no established procedure exists for a specific piece of equipment:

- Establish procedure (Form 1, Appendix C may be used for this task)
- Document and retain a copy in the Departmental LOTO Procedures.
- Forward a copy to the C.F. Safety Coordinator.

Requirements for LOTO Devices

Devices -- locks, tags, chains, wedges, key blocks, adapter pins, and self locking fasteners -- shall be:

- A. Durable, capable of withstanding the environment to which they are exposed for the maximum period of time.
- B. Singularly identified as LOTO devices
- C. The only devices used for controlling energy.
- D. Shall be standardized within Campus Facilities in the following criteria:
 - a. Color, shape, and size
 - b. Print and print Format
- E. Shall be identifiable, that is, indicating the identity of the employee applying the device
- F. Shall be substantial enough to prevent removal without the use of excessive force or unusual techniques - (bolt cutters etc.)
- G. Shall be constructed and printed to withstand weathering
- H. Shall be able to withstand corrosive environments
- I. Shall have an attachment means of a non-reusable type, attachable by hand, self-locking and non-releasable with a minimum unlocking strength of no less than 50 lbs.

Periodic Inspections

- A. Periodic inspections, conducted to identify and correct deficiencies or deviations, are performed by an authorized employee not involved in the energy-control procedure being inspected.
- C. Where lockout is used, the inspecting employee must review the responsibilities of each “authorized” employee’s (group review meetings are acceptable).
- D. Where tagout is used, the inspecting employee must review the responsibilities of “affected” and “authorized” employees’ responsibilities with those employees for which the energy-control procedure being inspected, and the additional training responsibilities of 1910.147 c (7)(ii).
- E. Department LOTO Administrators shall ensure that an evaluation of energy-control procedures is conducted at least once a year in their departments. A copy of the evaluation will be sent to the C.F. Safety Coordinator and a copy will remain in the department’s LOTO Procedures Manual. The certification of evaluation shall contain:
 - a. The machine on which the procedure was used
 - b. Date of Inspection
 - c. Employees included in the inspection
 - d. Person/Persons conducting the inspection

Use of Tagout alone

When equipment is physically incapable of accepting a lock, tagout shall be used.

A “Danger” and “Do Not Operate” tags shall be used (See Appendix B).

The tags:

- *Do not provide the same protection as a lock – it is only a warning device.*
- *must not be bypassed or ignored.*
- *Shall be placed at the same location that would hold the lockout device.*
- *Are attached to devices which, if operated or changed, might result in danger to employees or damage to equipment.*
- *Shall be of a standardized design to aid in recognition*
- *Shall contain, at a minimum:*
 - Name of authorized employee*
 - Department Name or Supervisor Name*
 - Department Phone Number or Supervisor Phone Number*
 - Date attached*
- *Can only be removed by the authorized employee who placed it.*
- *Shall always be used in conjunction with lockout/tagout procedures*

Additional safety measures to be followed:

- Remove and isolate a circuit element
- Block a control switch
- Open extra disconnects
- Remove a valve handle

“DANGER” and “DO NOT OPERATE” tags with employee’s name may not be reused beyond the scope of work or date of the tags.

Part IV - SEQUENCE OF LOCKOUT

Follow in order these six steps to ensure that the lockout/tagout procedure will protect employees. (Specific Procedures for equipment may be found in Lockout/Tagout Equipment Specific Procedures)

1. Prepare for Shutdown

A. Before the authorized or affected employee turns off the machine, the **authorized employee** shall:

- Identify the type and magnitude of the energy that the machine or equipment utilizes.
- Understand the hazards of the energy.
- Know the methods available to control the energy.
- Verbally notify all affected employees that servicing or maintenance is required on a machine or equipment and that the machine or equipment must be shut down and locked out. (For example, notify building coordinator, work order desk, etc.)

2. **Shutdown:** If the machine or equipment is operating, shut it down by the normal stopping procedure.

- Depress the stop button etc. NOTE: Shutting down the machine must not create any additional hazards from equipment stoppage.

3. Isolate Equipment

A. Ensure that no personnel are exposed

B. De-activate the energy isolating device(s) so that the machine or equipment is isolated from the energy source(s).

C. Ensure that the equipment is disconnected from the energy source(s):

D. Switches, circuit breakers, valves etc. must be physically located and disconnected by the authorized employee.

4. Applying lockout/tagout devices

A. The authorized employee shall:

- Apply LOTO Devices to each energy-isolating device. LOTO Devices must hold the switches, valves, etc., in the “safe” or “off” position.
- Use assigned lock
- Fill out “Danger”, “Do Not Operate” LOTO tag with appropriate information (See Appendix A)
- Attach tags to **each** energy-isolating device.
- The tag must clearly show that moving the energy-isolating device from the “safe” or “off” position is not allowed.

NOTE: Many machines have more than one power source, make sure all of them are deactivated and secured.

5. Releasing stored energy

A. *Residual energy can be extremely harmful.*

B. *Stored or residual energy such as (capacitors, springs, elevated machine members, rotating flywheels, hydraulic systems, and air, gas, steam, or water pressure, etc.) must be dissipated or restrained from the machine or equipment.*

C. Potentially hazardous stored or residual energy, from all sources and components, must be released, relieved, disconnected, or restrained.

D. *The Authorized employee shall:*

- Ground
- Reposition
- Bleed off pressure.
- Block elevated parts in place
- Drain lines.
- Let equipment cool.
- Discharge capacitors
- Use other methods specified in this LOTO procedure.

6. Verification (Ensuring Zero Energy State)

- A. To ensure that the Lockout/Tagout procedure has successfully isolated the machine/equipment, the authorized employee shall:
- Operate the machine's control to verify that the equipment is isolated by operating the push button or other normal operating control. Read pressure gauges or other similar devices.
 - Verify isolation - Test with other means such, as voltammeter etc. to make certain the equipment is inoperative.
- B. Return operating control to "neutral" or "off" position after verifying isolation of equipment
- C. The machine or equipment is now locked out.
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Restoring Equipment to Service

- A. Take the following steps when servicing or maintenance is completed and the machine or equipment is ready to return to normal operating condition:
- *Check the Machine*
 - *Tools and equipment used during maintenance have been removed.*
 - *Guards or other protective devices are replaced.*
 - *Machine components are operationally intact and ready to start.*
- B. Check for Employees: Check to ensure that employees are safely positioned or removed.
- C. Verify that operating controls are in the "neutral" or "off" position.
- D. Remove the lockout devices - done only by the authorized employee who put them on.
- E. Re-energize the machine and test equipment, if appropriate, for proper operation..
- F. Notify affected employees that the servicing or maintenance is complete and that the machine is returned to service.

PART V - NON-ROUTINE PROCEDURES

1. *Testing or Positioning of Equipment*

In situations where Lockout/tagout devices must be temporarily removed from the energy-isolating device and the machine or equipment energized to test or position the machine, the following sequence of actions shall be followed:

- a. Clear the machine or equipment of tools and materials
- b. Inform affected employees
- c. Remove the lockout or tagout device
- d. Energize and proceed with testing or positioning
- e. When testing or positioning is completed, de-energize all systems and re-apply energy control measures.

2. *Group Lockout or Tagout*

A. When servicing and/or maintenance is performed by a crew, craft, department or other group, the follow procedure shall be followed:

- a. An authorized employee places all keys in the lock box
- b. The program administrator, designated supervisor, or authorized employee shall determine the exposure status of the group members with regard to the lockout or tagout of the machine or equipment.
- c. Each authorized employee shall affix his or her personal lockout or tagout device to the group lockout device, group lockbox, or comparable mechanism when the work begins.
- d. The authorized employees shall remove those devices when they stop working on the machine or equipment being serviced or maintained.

3. *Shift or Personnel Changes*

A. To ensure continuity of lockout tagout protection during shift or personnel changes, the following procedure shall be used:

- a. Affected personnel on the new shift shall be notified that equipment is being repaired utilizing lockout/tagout procedures.
- b. If anticipated that the equipment being worked on will be returned to service after a shift change, the following shall take place.
 - The authorized employee coming on, who is replacing the present authorized employee, shall affix his/her lock before the present authorized employee removes his/her lock.
- c. Special situations exist within Campus Facilities Maintenance Department for which specific rules obtain governing shift-change procedures. This information can be obtained from the Departmental Administrator or the C.F. Safety Department.

4. Absent Worker

- A. Should an employee neglect to remove his/her lock from a lockout/tagout system and all servicing/maintenance work is complete, two authorized employees, after completing Form 2, *Emergency Lockout/Tagout Removal*, have the authority to remove the absent employee's lock. The procedure for such a removal is as follows (See Appendix C):
1. The authorized employee shall notify his/her supervisor.
 2. The supervisor shall attempt to contact the absent employee, his or her supervisor, and the department LOTO Administrator.
 3. The supervisor shall verify that the absent employee is truly absent from university property.
 4. The supervisor, LOTO Administrator (or designated LOTO Administrator) shall, with the authorized employee, remove the lock.
 5. The employee whose lock was removed shall be notified as soon as feasible.
 6. The removal of a lock requires the signature of two authorized employees.
 7. Upon the return to work by the absent employee, the signature of the absent employee is required. The absent employee's locking device may then be returned to the employee.
- B. Copies of the incident will be forwarded to the LOTO Administrator, Absent Worker and the Safety Department for review. Copies of the forms will be retained for not less than 2 years.

5. Outside Contractor

- A. Whenever outside personnel are to be engaged in servicing activities covered by the scope and application of this standard, employees of Campus Facilities shall perform all lockout/tagout functions prior to work by the outside contractor. While ultimate control of lockout functions remains with Campus Facilities, the contractor shall be encouraged to place his own lock on the isolating device to effectively include them in the lockout cycle. In such cases, the contractor shall be properly trained in Campus Facilities' LOTO procedures. Training shall be conducted on an as-needed basis by the LOTO Administrator of the area where the work will occur, or by the C.F. Safety Department

1. Overview

- A. All employees shall be instructed in the safety significance of the LOTO procedure by a *Competent Person* as defined by OSHA. Training shall be performed before the employee is permitted to use or be affected by any LOTO procedure.
- B. Each "authorized" employee shall receive training in the recognition of applicable hazardous energy sources, the type and magnitude of the energy, and the methods and means necessary for energy isolation and control.
- C. All "affected" employees shall be instructed in the purpose and use of the energy control

procedures and in recognition and purpose of LOTO devices.

- D. All “other” employees whose work operations are in areas where energy control procedures may be utilized, shall understand the intent of this program, use of locks and tags and associated dangers and hazards.

- E. Additional Training shall be given when:
 - a. LOTO procedures are modified
 - b. When equipment or machinery is added or modified
 - c. When periodic inspections show a deficiency in the understanding of the procedures
 - a. When the Safety Department, Departmental LOTO Administrator, Supervisor, or employees of any Campus Facilities department deem it necessary to ensure continued effectiveness of the program.

2. Application of LOTO

- A. *Upon completion of training, employees “authorized” to perform LOTO shall be able to demonstrate the following:*
 - a. Preparation for Shutdown -Identify Energy Sources
 - b. Equipment Shutdown
 - c. Equipment Isolation - Release of stored energy
 - d. Apply the correct and proper LOTO device
 - e. Verify isolation

Test circuits

Try to re-start machine

Open valve

(RELEASE)

- f. Inspect work - Remove tools; Clear area; Replace guards
 - g. Notify affected employees – Make sure people are in safe places
 - h. Authorized employee removes tags.
- B. In order to be knowledgeable of and to understand LOTO, “authorized. . .affected . . .and other” employees, described on page 3 of this document, must successfully complete a class and written test covering LOTO material..

Appendix A

To be used WITH Pad Locks and Locking Devices

FRONT

BACK

DANGER

**DO
NOT
OPERATE**

DO NOT REMOVE THIS TAG

NAME: _____
DATE: _____
DEPT: _____
PHONE: _____
REMARKS: _____

DANGER

This energy source has been **LOCKED OUT**.

Unauthorized removal of this lock/tag may result in immediate discharge.

Remarks: _____

Appendix B - Forms

- *1A - Equipment Specific Procedure (Landscape)*
- *1B - Equipment Specific Procedure (Portrait)*
- *2 - Emergency Lockout/Tagout Removal*
- *3 - Annual Evaluation Report*

Form 1A

Equipment Specific Procedure

Equipment: _____

Location: _____ CF EQUIP. LOTO CODE _____

Work Scope: _____

Contact Person: _____

Energy/Flow To Be Controlled (circle all that apply)

Steam Natural Gas Moving Parts Chemicals Electric Power Water Compressed Air Control Power Pneumatic Hydraulic

Lockout Points

Hazard	Action Required	Lock #	Name of Person Applying Device	Department	Supervisor	Phone #	Date Lock On	Date Lock Off

**EMERGENCY LOCKOUT/TAGOUT REMOVAL
Form 2**

Date _____

Time _____

Equipment To Be Unlocked _____

Person Requesting Lock Removal _____ Department _____

Reason For Removing Lock

The following action have been taken:

1. Verified that Authorized Employee is not available.
2. Verified that the equipment is safe before removing the lockout/tagout device.
3. Made all reasonable attempts to inform the Authorized Employee that the Lockout has been removed.

Required Signatures:

Employee who removed lock. Time: _____ Date: _____ Authorized

Authorized Departmental Administrator Time: _____ Date: _____

Authorized Employee whose lock was removed Time: _____ Date: _____

Campus Facilities Program Administrator Time: _____ Date: _____

Note: Emergency removal of lockout/tagout devices requires two signatures.

ANNUAL EVALUATION REPORT

Form 3

Location _____ Date _____

Identification of the machine to which an inspection is being done. _____

Authorized and Affected Employees interviewed. _____

Name (print) _____

Signature _____ SNN _____

<i>Primary and Stored Energy Sources</i>	<i>Magnitude:</i>	<i>Deficiencies noted:</i>

Other Comments:

Upon completion of this form, it shall be forwarded to the safety manager for filing.

Completed forms shall be maintained for a minimum of 5 years.

Training Plan

Only Competent persons, as defined by OSHA, shall conduct the training. A Train-the-Trainer class shall be offered to those departments requiring an on-site competent person.

Lockout - Tagout Training Outline

I. Objectives

To understand the need for lockout/tagout procedures and to demonstrate and teach the procedures to prevent accidents and injuries.

II. Training Materials

- A. Locks
- B. Tags
- C. Electrical Locking Devices
- D. Valve Locking Devices
- E. Training Handouts
- F. Equipment Safety Video

III. Introduction

- A. Keeping you safe is the purpose of LOTO
- B. Several types of energy that can harm you
- C. LOTO is used to isolate you from an energy source

IV. LOTO Prevents

- A. exposure to energy
- B. accidental starting of equipment
- C. using damaged equipment

V. Injury can result when LOTO not used

- A. Maintenance & Repair
- B. Cleaning equipment
- C. Machine Guards removed
- D. Adjustments to machinery

VI. Types of Energy and Hazards

- A. Electricity - Electrical Shock
- B. Chemical - Chemical Exposure & Burns

- C. Moving Machinery - Amputation, crushing from moving machinery
- D. High Temperature - Burns
- E. Hydraulic Pressure - Exposure to hot or dangerous fluids
- F. Stored Energy - can be chemical, thermal, hydraulic or gravitational

VII. Lockout Steps

- A. Before you lock & tag know the equipment and types of energy associated with it and the maintenance you will be doing.
- B. Shutdown the Equipment. Use the normal shutdown procedures to prepare the machinery for Locking and Tagging. All controls should be in the OFF or Neutral position.
- C. Isolate the energy to the machine. Turn off main power switches. Shut all fluid isolation valves.
- D. Lock & Tag the Energy Sources. Put a Lock and Tag on all energy isolation devices (ON-OFF Switches DO NOT ISOLATE ELECTRICITY - USE THE MAIN BREAKER FOR THAT PIECE OF EQUIPEMENT)
- E. Release all Stored Energy. Block, vent and drain all fluid lines. Discharge all capacitors. Block all pieces that would be a hazard if they moved. Disconnect pneumatic lines.
- F. Test to ensure LOTO is effective. Check voltage on all circuits. Check pressure gages on fluid lines.
- G. Attempt to start the equipment in the normal manner.
- H. Return all control devices to the OFF or NEUTRAL position.

VIII. Types of Lockout Devices

A. Show and discuss purpose of proper use of each device. Include discussion on the limitations of each device

- a. Locks
- b. Hasps
- c. Tags
- d. Breaker clips
- e. Chains
- f. Pancake or blind flanges
- g. Valve hand-wheel covers

IX. Discussion Questions

- A. When is LOTO required?
- B. Who must place the Lock and Tag?
- C. Where must the Lock and Tag be placed?
- D. What is the purpose of LOTO?
- E. What are the LOTO steps?

F. What are the different Types of Energy?

Authorized Employee

LOCKOUT - TAGOUT (LOTO)

Training Certificate

Name _____

Department _____

I understand the training I have received on the Mandatory Lockout - Tagout Program. The training consisted of:

1. Location of Equipment, Control Operation & Energy Isolation Points
2. How to safely turn on and off equipment
3. Types & Hazards of energy sources
4. Type and Magnitude of the energy
5. Methods & Means necessary for energy isolation

I understand the hazards of electricity, hydraulic force and machines in motion. I understand that I have been trained to protect myself by not reaching into (breaking the plane) on any machinery until I have personally Locked and Tagged all sources of energy and ensured that the machinery controls have been disabled.

I understand that if I chose to Isolate a machine energy source by unplugging the power cord I must be in control of the plug at all time and that I may not leave the area until the machine is in a condition that would allow the machine to be safely plugged into a receptacle.

I understand that diagnostic evaluation of certain equipment requires some equipment to be energized, or running before or during LOTO procedures. In such cases, I understand that my supervisor and I will assess hazards and agree to proceed in a safe manner.

I acknowledge receipt of necessary locks, hasps, tags, etc., required for effective isolation of electrical power to a single piece of equipment and that I have available (from Supervisors) material needed for isolating hydraulic fluid flow to hydraulic motors. I understand that if I need additional LOTO material, I am accountable for requesting it from a supervisor in my department.

I understand that VIOLATING THE LOCKOUT-TAGOUT PROCEDURE may result in disciplinary action up to and including termination of employment.

Employee _____

Trainer Signature _____ Date _____

Spanish Translation of LOTO Training Certificate

La Traducción Español

Yo comprendo el entrenar Yo he recibido sobre el cierre patronal mandatario y Tagout de programa.

La Capacitación consistió de:

1. La ubicación de equipo, controla puntos de aislamiento de energía y operación.
2. Como sin riesgo encender y fuera quipment.
3. Escribe y peligros de de fuentes de energía.
4. El tipo y la magnitud de la energía usada por el equipo
5. El método y significa necesario para el aislamiento de energía.

para el equipo (o equipo el grupo) enumeró sobre la frente de esta forma

Yo Comprendo los peligros de electricidad, máquinas y fuerza hidráulica en el movimiento. Yo comprendo que Yo se he entrenado para proteger me por no alcanzando en (quebrando el avión) sobre ninguna maquinaria hasta que Yo tener Cerré personalmente y Etiqueté todas las fuentes de energía y aseguré que los controles de maquinaria han estado incapacitado .

Yo Comprendo que si Yo elegí para Aislar una fuente de energía de máquina por desenchufar el cable eléctrico Yo debo estar en el control del enchufe a todo el tiempo y que Yo no puedo salir el área hasta que la máquina esté en una condición que permitiría la máquina ser sin riesgo enchufó en un receptáculo.

Yo acuso recibo de cerraduras necesarias, broches, etiqueta, el etc. requirió que el aislamiento efectivo de poder eléctrico al pedazo único de equipo y que Yo haber disponible (desde Supervisores) material necesitado de la corriente aislante de fluido hidráulico motores hidráulicos. Yo comprendo que si Yo necesito QUE LOTO adicional material, Yo ser responsable de pedido lo desde un Supervisor en mi Departamento.

Yo Comprendo que VIOLANDO EL CIERRE PATRONAL y TAGOUT DE PROCEDIMIENTO resultará en acción disciplinaria hasta e incluyendo LA TERMINACION DEL EMPLEO.

LOTO Administration Program Administrator:

*LeRoy Bealmear, C.F. Associate Director
of Personnel and Training*

C.F. Safety Coordinator

Safety Signs, Tags, and Markers (29CFR 1926.xxx/1910.xxx)

Purpose

The purpose of this section is to familiarize Campus Facilities employees with signs, tags and markers and symbols that warn of physical hazards in the workplace. Hazmat, Hazcom, Hazwoper and Bloodborne Pathogens signage is not included herein nor is Air Contaminants signage, which requires additional standards and may be found in "Confined Space Entry" or "Respiratory Protection Program" documents.

Scope

The following information applies to the design of signs, tags, markers and symbols and their use in designating hazards that could result in accidental injury, illness or property damage. Requirements herein apply to all uses, with the exception of street, highway, railroad, the workplace employee bulletin board, and safety poster signage.

Signs and tags are not intended as substitutes for eliminating hazards.

Preferred methods for dealing with hazards are engineering controls, administrative/environmental controls, P.P.E, or other safe-work practices.

A sign or tag's ability to warn employees depends upon catching the worker's attention, even in emergency situations. To ensure a quick, safe response, signage shall be consistent in color-coding, key words and symbols.

Tags are temporary means of warning all concerned of a hazardous condition, defective equipment, etc.

Tags are not intended as a complete method of protection or warning and shall be used only until a more positive means of hazard control can be put in place, e.e., Lock Out /Tag Out (LOTO)

Tags shall not be used in place of, or as a substitute for, signs.

Markers shall be able to withstand the environment where they are used.

Specifications for the Definition, Design and Wording on New and Replacement Signs and Tags

Definitions

- **Sign** - A surface with letters or markings thereon to alert workers and the public to hazards. Excluded are news releases, safety posters and employee bulletins.

- **Tag** - a device usually made of paper, pasteboard, card, plastic or other material used to identify a hazardous condition

Example: A “Do Not Start” tag placed on a machine on which repairs are to be made. LOTO procedures would then be implemented to lock out, de-energize, or inactivate the machine.

- **Marker** - Smaller than signs, Most often associated with an adhesive-type mounting. Must be able to withstand the environment where it is used.

Example: A warning of 440 Volts on front of an A.C. Panel.

Design

- All signs must have rounded or blunt corners and be free of sharp edges, burrs, splinters or other sharp projections.
- Fastening devices shall not pose a hazard
- Colors shall be of opaque glossy as specified by ANSI Z535 - 1998

Wording

- Wording on signs shall be accurate, concise, understandable, and contain specifics, such as “HIGH VOLTAGE” or “CLOSE CLEARANCE,” explaining its existence.
- Shall be visible at all times during work and shall be removed or covered promptly when the hazard no longer exists

OSHA and ANSI Color-Code Reference

RED	FIRE DANGE	To designate the location of protection equipment and apparatus, including fire alarm boxes, fire blankets, fire exit, etc. To Identify safety cans and other portable containers of flammable liquids.
ORANGE	Hazardous Biohazard	To mark dangerous parts of machines and equipment that may cut, crush,
YELLOW YELLOW/BLACK	CAUTION	To mark physical hazards which might result in stumbling, falling,
GREEN	SAFETY	To Mark the location of first aid and safety equipment
BLUE	WARNING	To warn against starting, using or moving equipment under
MAGENTA /	RADIATION	To Mark X-Ray, alpha, beta, gamma, neutron and proton
BLACK/WHITE	BOUNDRIES	To designate traffic aisles, housekeeping markings, stairways (risers, direction and boarder limit lines) and directional signs.

Use of Signs - Note: Old Signage shall be upgraded as needed to reflect the new standards

Figure 1 - old signage



Figure 2



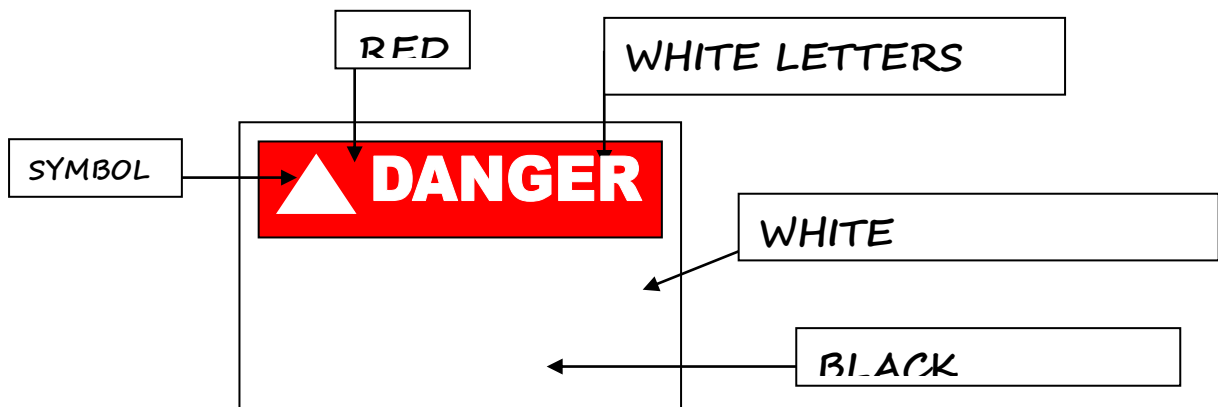
*New Signage - ANSI Z535.2 -
1998*

A. **“Danger” signs: Used in the most extreme situations, where an immediate hazard may cause death or serious injury.**

- Signs posted to warn of specific dangers, including radiation hazards
- “Danger” signs must have the same type of design
- Used only where an immediate hazard exists
- Employees must be instructed that these signs warn of immediate danger and special precautions are necessary.

SOME EXAMPLES: - Immediate Dangers- Death or Serious Injury

• Caustics	• Do Not Enter - Authorized Personnel Only
• Chlorine	• Hard Hat Area
• Compressed Air	• High Voltage
• Confined Space	• Keep Hands Clear
• Crane Overhead	• Look out for fork lift
• Eye and Face Protection Required	• XXX Volts
• Hazardous Area	• Keep Out
• High Pressure Line	• Ear Protection Required

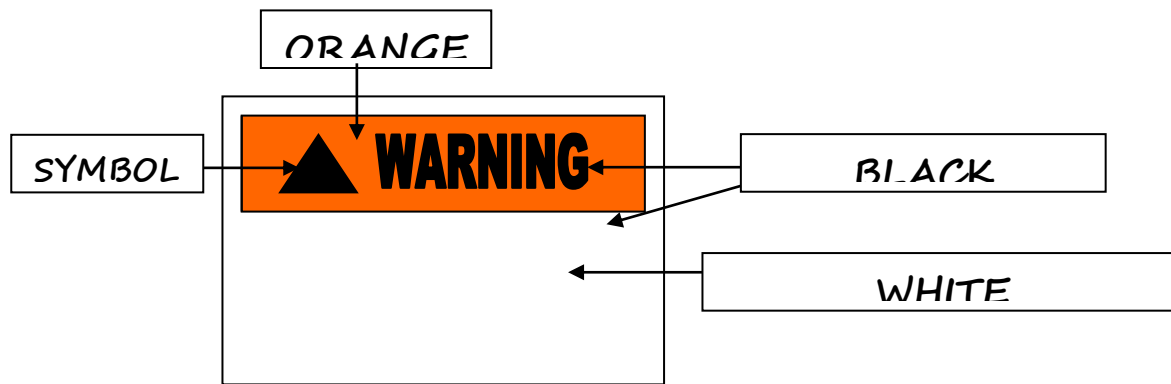


New Signage Cont.

B. WARNING - Potential Hazard (likely to occur), could cause death or serious injury.

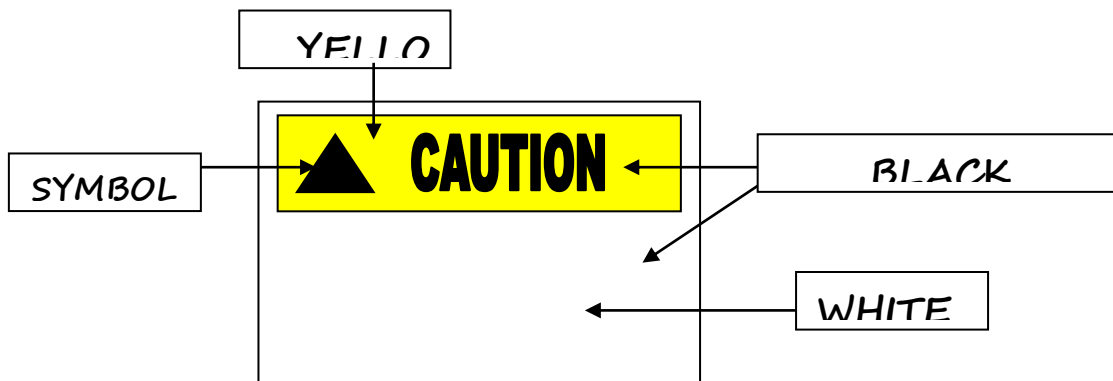
Some Examples: Potential Dangers - Could cause death or serious injury

• Do Not Operate Without Guards in Place	• High Voltage - Keep Away
• Lockout Power Before Working on Equipment	• Machine Starts Automatically
• Chemical Storage Area	• Electric Hazard
• Keep Clear of Moving Parts	• Emergency Exit - Do Not Block
• Noise Area	• HOT
• Eye Protection Required in this area	• No Trespassing
• Keep Out	• Propane
• Noise Area	• ACID



C. CAUTION- Potential hazard (likely to occur), may cause minor to moderate injury

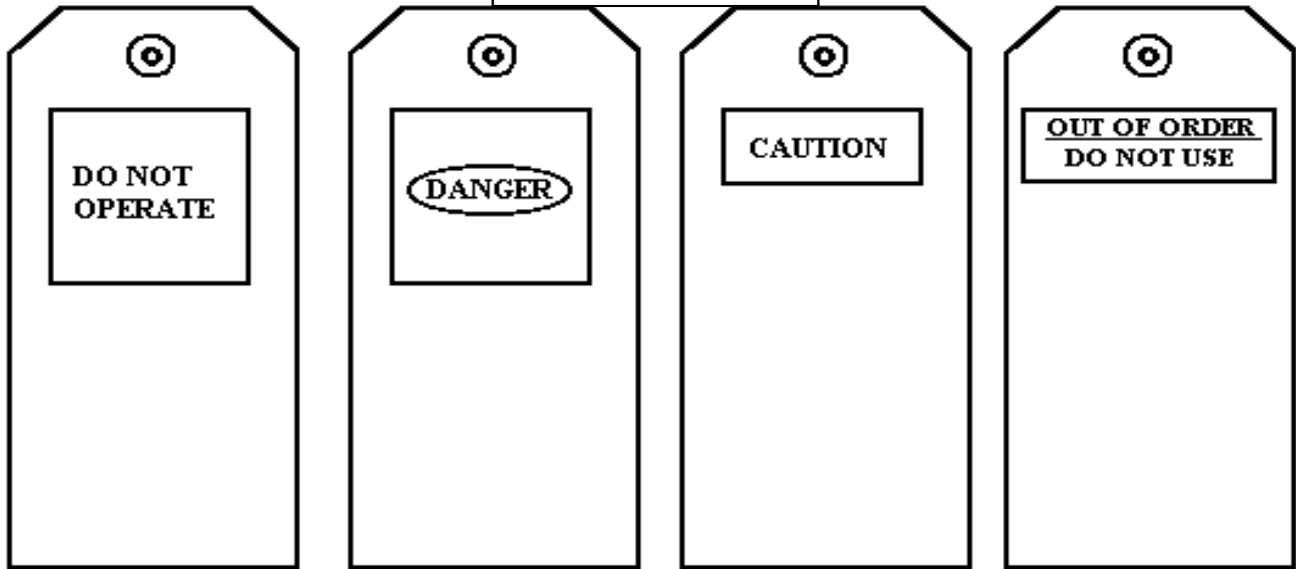
- Use caution signs only to warn against potential hazards (likely to occur).
- Use to caution against unsafe practices
- Instruct employees that a caution sign indicates a possible hazard and to take proper precautions



- D. Safety Instruction Signs - Must be white and have a "Safety Blue" with white letters. Any letter on the white background must be black.**
- Used where general instructions on safety measures are needed.
- E. EXIT - when required, shall be lettered in legible red letters and not less than 6" high on a white field. The main stroke of the letter shall be $\frac{3}{4}$ " wide.**
- Used to indicate a means of egress (escape)
- F. Directional - (other than automotive traffic signs) shall be white with a black panel and a white directional symbol. Additional lettering shall be black letters on white background.**
- Used to show a path or a direction (i.e. air flow)
- G. Traffic Sign**
- Shall be posted in work areas at points of hazard
 - Shall conform to ANSI D6.1-1971 (Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways)
- H. Biological Hazard - (BioHazard)**
- Used to signify actual or potential presence of a biohazard.
 - Used to identify equipment, containers, rooms, material, experimental animals or combinations thereof that contain, or are contaminated with viable (live or active) hazardous agents.
 - Biohazard refers only to those infectious agents that are a risk or potential risk to humans.

2. TAGS --- OTHER THAN LOCKOUT/TAG OUT
(OLD OR NEW SIGNAGE ACCEPTABLE)

Figure 3



White tag - White letters on a red square

White tag - White letters on red oval with a black square

Yellow tag - Yellow letters on a black background

White tag - White letters on a black background

Basic Stock (Background)	Safety Colors (Ink)	Copy Specification (Letters)
White	Red	Do Not Operate
White	Black and Red	Danger
Yellow	Black	Caution
White	Black	Out of Order Do Not Use

General Rules for Use of Warning Signs, Tags, And Markers

Voltages and Live Parts

1. Post signs conspicuously to prevent unauthorized personnel from entering rooms or other guarded locations containing exposed live parts.

2. Post “No Smoking” or “Open Flame” signs around operations that constitute a fire hazard.
3. Post “High Voltage” signs where live parts may be contacted.
4. Mark “High Voltage” permanently, visibly and readily legible on the outside box covers of pull and junction boxes of systems of 600 Volts or greater.
5. Signs or visible markings on the equipment or structure must indicate the operating voltage of exposed live parts of transformer installations.
6. Post and maintain proper signs where an exposed or concealed energized electric power circuit exists.
7. When more than one independent crew must have the same line or equipment de-energized, each crew must prominently tag the line or equipment.
8. When covers of manholes, handholds, or vaults are removed, promptly place appropriate warning signs.

Permit Required Confined Space Entry

9. If the workplace contains permit spaces, exposed employees must be informed by posted danger signs or other equally effective means, of the existence, location and danger posed by the permit space.

Telecommunications

10. Post conspicuous warning signs and /or flags or other traffic control devices in the vicinity of vehicular or pedestrian traffic before work that may endanger employees is begun.
11. Post danger signs if work exposes energized or moving parts that are normally protected.
12. Poles unsafe to climb must be conspicuously tagged.

Ladders, Tools, and Equipment

13. Defective ladders, tools, and equipment, that are withdrawn from service must be immediately tagged “Do Not Use” until such time as the equipment is repaired or disposed.

Welding, Cutting, Brazing

(See Welding, Cutting and Brazing Procedures)

Material, Personnel Hoists and Elevators, Powered Platforms, Gantry Cranes, Overhead Cranes and Conveyors

14. Post hoist- and elevator-operating rules, including signal system and allowable line speed for various loads, along with a “No Riders Allowed” sign at the operator’s station and on the car frame or crosshead.

15. Follow appropriate LOTO procedures on conveyors. "Do Not Operate" tags must be used during repair of the equipment and when operation would be hazardous to maintenance personnel.
16. Place warning or "Out of Order" signs on the crane and on the floor beneath (or on the hook so that it is visible from the floor) and then follow appropriate LOTO procedures before adjusting overhead/gantry cranes.
17. When a suspension wire rope is put in place to be used and remain at a specific location: A corrosion-resistant tag that includes the rope's diameter, construction classification, whether non-preformed or preformed, grade of material, manufacturer's name, rated strength, month and year the ropes were installed, and name and company of the installer must be securely attached to one of the wire rope fastenings. The original tag must be stamped with the date of the resocketing, or the tag retained and a supplemental tag provided showing the date, installer, and company. A new tag must be installed at each rope renewal

Concrete and Masonry

18. Signs and barriers must be used to limit employee access to post-tensioning areas during tensioning operations.

Spray Finishing Using Flammable and Combustible Materials

19. Post conspicuous "No Smoking" signs in large letters on a contrasting color background when:
 - spraying areas and paint-storage rooms,
 - powder-coating areas and storage rooms,
 - storing, mixing or applying organic peroxides .

Underground Construction

20. Post "KEEP OUT" signs on unused chutes, manways and other openings.
21. Post warning signs at all entrances to operations involving gas.
22. Prominently post signs at all entrances to an underground jobsite when air-monitoring determines that contaminants may be present in dangerous quantities.
23. Post "NO SMOKING" and "OPEN FLAMES" signs in areas where fire or explosion hazards exist.
24. Post "Buried Line" signs where air lines are buried or hidden by water or debris.

Stairways and Ladders

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Introduction

Stairways and ladders are a major source of injuries and fatalities among construction workers. OSHA estimates that there are 24,882 injuries and as many as 36 fatalities per year due to falls from stairways and ladders used in construction. Nearly half of these injuries are serious enough to require time off the job--11,570 lost workday injuries and 13,312 non-lost workday injuries occur annually due to falls from stairways and ladders used in construction. As these data demonstrate, work on and around ladders and stairways is hazardous.

Scope and application

Information herein applies to all stairways and ladders used in construction, alteration, repair (including painting and decorating), and demolition of worksites. Information does not apply to ladders that are specifically manufactured for scaffold access and egress, but does apply to job-made and manufactured portable ladders intended for general-purpose use and which are then used for scaffold access and egress. Rules for ladders used on or with scaffolds are addressed in Subpart L--*Scaffolds* (29 CFR 1926.451).

General Requirements

- A stairway or ladder must be provided at all worker points of access where there is a break in elevation of 19 inches (48 cm) or more and no ramp, runway, embankment, or personnel hoist is provided.
- When there is only one point of access between levels, it must be kept clear to permit free passage by workers. If free passage becomes restricted, a second point of access must be provided and used.
- Where there are more than two points of access between levels, at least one point of access must be kept clear.
- All stairway and ladder fall-protection systems required by these rules must be installed and all duties required by stairway and ladder rules herein must be performed before employees begin work that requires their use and that of respective fall-protection systems.

Stairways

The following general requirements apply to all stairways used during the process of construction:

- Stairways that will not be a permanent part of the structure on which construction work is performed must have landings at least 30 inches deep and 22 inches wide at every 12 feet or less of vertical rise.
- Stairways must be installed at least 30 degrees -- and no more than 50 degrees -- from the horizontal.
- Variations in riser height or stair tread depth must not exceed 1/4 inch in any stairway system, including any foundation structure used as one or more treads of the stairs.
- Where doors or gates open directly onto a stairway, a platform must be provided that extends at least 20 inches beyond the swing of the door.
- Metal pan landings and metal pan treads must be secured in place before filling.
- All stairway parts must be free of dangerous projections such as protruding nails.
- Slippery conditions on stairways must be corrected.
- Workers may not use spiral stairways that will not be a permanent part of the structure.

The following requirements apply to stairs in temporary service during construction:

- Except during construction of the actual stairway, stairways with metal pan landings and treads must not be used where the treads and/or landings have not been filled in with concrete or other materials, unless the pans of the stairs and/or landings are temporarily filled in with wood or other materials. All treads and landings must be replaced when worn below the top edge of the pan.
- Except during construction of the actual stairway, skeleton metal frame structures and steps must not be used (where treads and/or landings will be installed later) unless the stairs are fitted with secured temporary treads and landings.
- Temporary treads must be made of wood or other solid material and installed the full width and depth of the stair.

Stair rails and Handrails

The following general requirements apply to all stair rails and handrails:

- Stairways having four or more risers, or rising more than 30 inches in height--whichever is less--must have at least one handrail. A stair rail also must be installed along each unprotected side or edge. When the top edge of a stair rail system also serves as a handrail, the height of the top edge must be no more than 37 inches nor less than 36 inches from the upper surface of the stair rail to the surface of the tread.
- Winding or spiral stairways must have a handrail to prevent using areas where the tread width is less than 6 inches.
- Stair rails installed after Mach 15.1991, must be not less than 36 inches in height.
- Midrails, screens, mesh, intermediate vertical members, or equivalent intermediate structural members must be provided between the top rail and stairway steps to the stair rail system.
- Midrails, when used, must be located midway between the top of the stair rail system and the stairway steps.
- Screens or mesh, when used, must extend from the top rail to the stairway step and along the opening between top rail supports.
- Intermediate vertical members, such as balusters, when used, must not be more than 19 inches apart.
- Other intermediate structural members, when used, must be installed so that there are no openings of more than 19 inches wide.
- Handrails and the top rails of the stair rail systems must be able to withstand, without failure, at least 200 pounds of weight applied within 2 inches of the top edge in any downward or outward direction, at any point along the top edge.
- The height of handrails must not be more than 37 inches nor less than 30 inches from the upper surface of the handrail to the surface of the tread.
- The height of the top edge of a stair rail system used as a handrail must not be more than 37 inches or less than 36 inches from the upper surface of the stair rail system to the surface of the tread.
- Stair rail systems and handrails must be surfaced to prevent injuries such as punctures or lacerations and to keep clothing from snagging.
- Handrails must provide an adequate handhold for employees to grasp to prevent falls.
- The ends of stair rail systems and handrails must be built to prevent dangerous projections, such as rails protruding beyond the end posts of the system.
- Temporary handrails must have a minimum clearance of 3 inches between the handrail and walls, stair rail systems, and other objects.
- Unprotected sides and edges of stairway landings must be provided with standard 42-inch guardrail systems.

Ladders

The following general requirements apply to all ladders, including job-made ladders:

- A double-cleated ladder or two or more ladders must be provided when ladders are the only way to enter or exit a work area having 25 or more employees, **or** when a ladder serves simultaneous two-way traffic.
- Ladder rungs, cleats, and steps must be parallel, level, and uniformly spaced when the ladder is in position for use.
- Rungs, cleats, and steps of portable and fixed ladders (except as provided below) must not be spaced less than 10 inches apart, nor more than 14 inches apart, along the ladder's side rails.
- Rungs, cleats, and steps of step stools must not be less than 8 inches apart, nor more than 12 inches apart, between center lines of the rungs, cleats, and steps.
- Rungs, cleats, and steps at the base section of extension trestle ladders must not be less than 8 inches (20 cm) nor more than 18 inches apart, between center lines of the rungs, cleats, and steps. The rung spacing on the extension section must not be less than 6 inches nor more than 12 inches.
- Ladders must not be tied or fastened together to create longer sections unless they are specifically designed for such use.
- A metal spreader or locking device must be provided on each stepladder to hold the front and back sections in an open position when the ladder is being used.
- When splicing side rails, the resulting side rail must be equivalent in strength to a one-piece side rail made of the same material.
- Two or more separate ladders used to reach an elevated work area must be offset with a platform or landing between the ladders, except when portable ladders are used to gain access to fixed ladders.
- Ladder components must be surfaced to prevent injury from punctures or lacerations. and prevent snagging of clothing.
- Wood ladders must not be coated with any opaque covering, except for identification or warning labels which may be placed only on one face of a side rail.

Portable Ladders

- Non-self-supporting and self-supporting portable ladders must support at least four times the maximum intended load; extra heavy-duty type 1A metal or plastic ladders must sustain 3.3 times the maximum intended load. The ability of a self-supporting ladder to sustain loads must be determined by applying the load to the ladder in a downward vertical direction. The ability of a non-self-supporting ladder to sustain loads must be determined by applying the load in a downward vertical direction when the ladder is placed at a horizontal angle of 75.5 degrees.
- The minimum clear distance between side rails for all portable ladders must be 11.5 inches.
- The rungs and steps of portable metal ladders must be corrugated, knurled, dimpled, coated with skid-resistant material, or treated to minimize slipping.

Fixed Ladders

- A fixed ladder must be able to support at least two loads of 250 pounds each, concentrated between any two consecutive attachments. Fixed ladders also must support added anticipated loads caused by ice buildup, winds, rigging, and impact loads resulting from using ladder safety devices.
- Individual rung/step ladders must extend at least 42 inches above an access level or landing platform either by the continuation of the rung spacings as horizontal grab bars or by providing vertical grab bars that must have the same lateral spacing as the vertical legs of the ladder rails.

- Each step or rung of a fixed ladder must be able to support a load of at least 250 pounds applied in the middle of the step or rung.
- The minimum clear distance between the sides of individual rung/step ladders and between the side rails of other fixed ladders must be 16 inches.
- The rungs of individual rung/step ladders must be shaped to prevent slipping off the end of the rungs.
- The rungs and steps of fixed metal ladders manufactured after March 15, 1991, must be corrugated, knurled, dimpled, coated with skid-resistant material, or treated to minimize slipping.
- The minimum perpendicular clearance between fixed ladder rungs, cleats, and steps and any obstruction behind the ladder must be 7 inches, except that the clearance for an elevator pit ladder must be 4.5 inches.
- The minimum perpendicular clearance between the centerline of fixed ladder rungs, cleats, and steps, and any obstruction on the climbing side of the ladder must be 30 inches. If obstructions are unavoidable, clearance may be reduced to 24 inches, provided a deflection device is installed to guide workers around the obstruction.
- The step-across distance between the center of the steps or rungs of fixed ladders and the nearest edge of a landing area must be no less than 7 inches and no more than 12 inches. A landing platform must be provided if the step-across distance exceeds 12 inches..
- Fixed ladders without cages or wells must have at least a 15-inch clear width to the nearest permanent object on each side of the centerline of the ladder.
- Fixed ladders must be provided with cages, wells, ladder safety devices, or self-retracting lifelines where the length of climb is less than 24 feet but the top of the ladder is at a distance greater than 24 feet above lower levels.
- If the total length of the climb on a fixed ladder equals or exceeds 24 feet, the following requirements must be met: fixed ladders must be equipped with either (a) ladder safety devices; (b) self-retracting lifelines and rest platforms at intervals not to exceed 150 feet; or (c) a cage or well, and multiple ladder sections, each ladder section not to exceed 50 feet in length. These ladder sections must be offset from adjacent sections, and landing platforms must be provided at maximum intervals of 50 feet...
- The side rails of through or side-step fixed ladders must extend 42 inches above the top level or landing platform served by the ladder. Parapet ladders must have an access level at the roof if the parapet is cut to permit passage through it; if the parapet is continuous, the access level is the top of the parapet.
- Steps or rungs for through-fixed-ladder extensions must be omitted from the extension; and the extension of side rails must be flared to provide between 24 inches and 30 inches clearance between side rails.
- When safety devices are provided, the maximum clearance distance between side rail extensions must not exceed 36 inches.

Cages for Fixed Ladders

- Horizontal bands must be fastened to the side rails of rail ladders or directly to the structure, building, or equipment for individual-rung ladders.
- Vertical bars must be on the inside of the horizontal bands and must be fastened to them.
- Cages must not extend less than 27 inches, or more than 30 inches from the centerline of the step or rung, and must not be less than 27 inches wide.
- The inside of the cage must be clear of projections.
- Horizontal bands must be spaced at intervals not more than 4 feet apart measured from centerline to centerline.
- Vertical bars must be spaced at intervals not more than 9.5 inches, measured centerline to centerline.
- The bottom of the cage must be between 7 feet and 8 feet above the point of access to the bottom of the ladder. The bottom of the cage must be flared not less than 4 inches between the bottom horizontal band and the next higher band.
- The top of the cage must be a minimum of 42 inches above the top of the platform or the point of access at the top of the ladder. Provisions must be made for access to the platform or other point of access.

Wells for Fixed Ladders

- Wells must completely encircle the ladder.
- Wells must be free of projections.
- The inside face of the well on the climbing side of the ladder must extend between 27 inches (68 cm) and 30 inches from the centerline of the step or rung.
- The inside width of the well must be at least 30 inches.
- The bottom of the well above the point of access to the bottom of the ladder must be between 7 feet and 8 feet.

Ladder Safety Devices and Related Support Systems for Fixed Ladders

- All safety devices must be able to withstand, without failure, a drop test consisting of a 500-pound weight dropping 18 inches.
- All safety devices must permit the worker to ascend or descend without continually having to hold, push, or pull any part of the device, leaving both hands free for climbing.
- All safety devices must be activated within 2 feet after a fall occurs, and limit the descending velocity of an employee to 7 feet/second or less.
- The connection between the carrier or lifeline and the point of attachment to the body belt or harness must not exceed 9 inches in length.

Mounting Ladder Safety Devices for Fixed Ladders

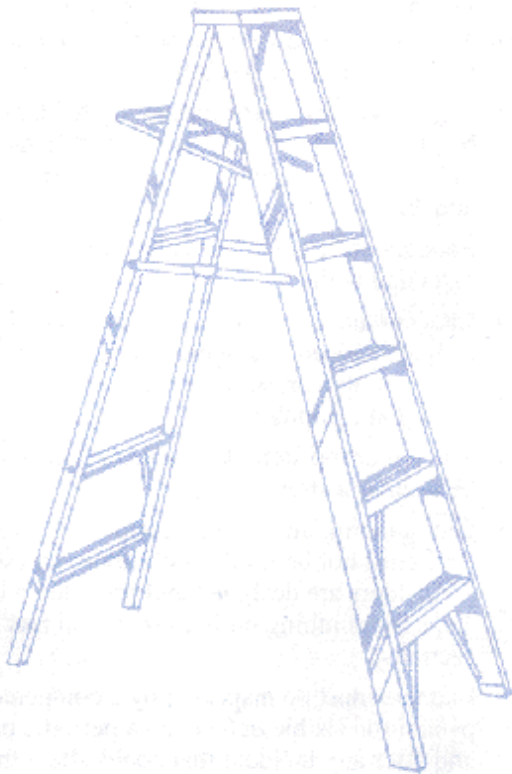
- Mountings for rigid carriers must be attached at each end of the carrier, with intermediate mountings, spaced along the entire length of the carrier, to provide the necessary strength to stop workers' falls.
- Mountings for flexible carriers must be attached at each end of the carrier. Cable guides for flexible carriers must be installed with a spacing between 25 feet and 40 feet along the entire length of the carrier, to prevent wind damage to the system.
- The design and installation of mountings and cable guides must not reduce the strength of the ladder.
- Side rails and steps or rungs for side-step fixed ladders must be continuous in extension.

Use of All Ladders

- When portable ladders are used for access to an upper landing surface, the side rails must extend at least 3 feet above the upper landing surface. When such an extension is not possible, the ladder must be secured, and a grasping device such as a grab rail must be provided to assist workers in mounting and dismounting the ladder. A ladder extension must not deflect under a load that would cause the ladder to slip off its supports.
- Ladders must be maintained free of oil, grease, and other slipping hazards.
- Ladders must not be loaded beyond the maximum intended load for which they were built nor beyond their manufacturer's rated capacity.
- Ladders must be used only for the purpose for which they were designed.
- Non-self-supporting ladders must be used at an angle where the horizontal distance from the top support to the foot of the ladder is approximately one-quarter of the working length of the ladder. Wood job-made ladders with spliced side rails must be used at an angle where the horizontal distance is one-eighth the working length of the ladder.

- Fixed ladders must be used at a pitch no greater than 90 degrees from the horizontal, measured from the back side of the ladder.
- Ladders must be used only on stable and level surfaces unless secured to prevent accidental movement.
- Ladders must not be used on slippery surfaces unless secured or provided with slip-resistant feet to prevent accidental movement. Slip-resistant feet must not be used as a substitute for the care in placing, lashing, or holding a ladder upon slippery surfaces.
- Ladders placed in areas such as passageways, doorways, or driveways, or where they can be displaced by workplace activities or traffic must be secured to prevent accidental movement or a barricade must be used to keep traffic or activities away from the ladder.
- The area around the top and bottom of the ladders must be kept clear.
- The top of a non-self-supporting ladder must be placed with two rails supported equally unless it is equipped with a single support attachment.
- Ladders must not be moved, shifted, or extended while in use.
- Ladders must have nonconductive side rails if they are used where the worker or the ladder could contact exposed energized electrical equipment.
- The top or top step of a stepladder must not be used as a step.
- Cross-bracing on the rear section of stepladders must not be used for climbing unless the ladders are designed and provided with steps for climbing on both front and rear sections.
- Ladders must be inspected by a competent person for visible defects on a periodic basis and after any incident that could affect their safe use.
- Single-rail ladders must not be used.
- When ascending or descending a ladder, the worker must face the ladder.
- Each worker must use at least one hand to grasp the ladder when climbing.
- A worker on a ladder must not carry any object or load that could cause him/her to lose balance and fall.
- Read and follow the manufacturer's instructions label affixed to the ladder if you are unsure how to use the ladder.
- Do not use ladders that have loose rungs, cracked or split side rails, missing rubber pads, or are otherwise visibly damaged. Inspect ladders before use.
- Keep ladder rungs clean and free of grease; remove buildup of material such as dirt or mud.
- Do not use a metal ladder on rooftops or within reach of tools and equipment to electrical power lines.
- Orchard Ladders are for tree work only (3 point) and shall only be used by qualified employees.
- Specialty ladders shall only be used by qualified trained employees.
- Do not place ladders in a passageway or doorway without posting warning signs or cones that detour pedestrian traffic away from the ladder; secure the doorway that you are blocking with the ladder and post signs that will detour traffic away from your work. Never block a doorway that is a fire exit.
- Do not place a ladder at a blind corner or doorway without diverting foot traffic by blocking or roping off the area.
- Allow only one person on the ladder at a time.
- Face the ladder when climbing up or down it.
- Maintain a three-point contact by keeping both hands and one foot or both feet and one hand on the ladder at all times when climbing up or down the ladder.
- When performing work from a ladder, face the ladder and do not lean backward or sideways from the ladder.
- Do not stand on tables, chairs, boxes or other improvised climbing devices to reach high places; use the ladder or stepstool.
- Do not stand on the top two rungs of any ladder.
- Do not stand on a ladder that wobbles, or that leans to the left or right of center.
- When using a ladder, extend the top of the ladder at least 3 feet above the edge of the landing.
- Secure the non-step ladder in place by having another employee hold it or by roping it off at the ground or the top.
- Do not move a rolling ladder while someone is on it.
- Do not place ladders on barrels, boxes, loose bricks, pails, concrete blocks or other unstable bases.
- Do not carry items in your hands while climbing up or down a ladder.
- Do not try to "walk" a ladder by rocking it. Climb down the ladder, and then move it.

- Do not use a ladder as a horizontal platform.
- Do not lay unattended tools or materials on top of ladders.
- Ladders not in use shall be stored appropriately so that they cannot be climbed by mistake.
- Ladders should be stored in a horizontal position when possible and practical.
- Ladders not in use shall be secured. Never leave a ladder unattended.
- For further information, see your supervisor or safety program manual.



Structural Defects

- Portable ladders with structural defects--such as broken or missing rungs, cleats, or steps, broken or split rails, corroded components, or other faulty or defective components--must immediately be marked defective, or tagged with "Do Not Use," or similar language, and withdrawn from service until repaired.
- Fixed ladders with structural defects--such as broken or missing rungs, cleats, or steps, broken or split rails, or corroded components--must be withdrawn from service until repaired.
- Defective fixed ladders are considered withdrawn from use when they are (a) immediately tagged with "Do Not Use" or similar language; (b) marked in a manner that identifies them as defective; or (c) blocked--such as with a plywood attachment that spans several rungs.
- Ladder repairs must restore the ladder to a condition meeting its original design criteria before the ladder is returned to use.

Training Requirements

Under the provisions of these requirements, employers must provide a training program for each employee using ladders and stairways. The program must enable each employee to recognize hazards related to ladders and stairways and to use proper procedures to minimize these hazards. For example, employers must ensure that each employee is trained by a competent person in the following areas, as applicable:

- the nature of fall hazards in the work area;
- the correct procedures for erecting, maintaining, and disassembling the fall protection systems to be used;
- the proper construction, use, placement, and care in handling of all stairways and ladders; and

the maximum intended load-carrying capacities of ladders used.

In addition, employers must, as necessary, retrain each employee to maintain the understanding and knowledge acquired through compliance with these provisions.

Glossary

Cleat - A ladder crosspiece of rectangular cross section placed on edge upon which a person may step while ascending or descending a ladder.

Double-Cleat Ladder - A ladder with a center rail to allow simultaneous two-way traffic for employees ascending or descending.

Failure - Load refusal, breakage, or separation of components.

Fixed Ladder - A ladder that cannot be readily moved or carried because it is an integral part of a building or structure.

Handrail - A rail used to provide employees with a handhold for support.

Job-Made Ladder - A ladder that is fabricated by employees, typically at the construction site; noncommercially manufactured.

Load Refusal - The point where the structural members lose their ability to carry the load.

Point of Access - All areas used by employees for work-related passage from one area or level to another.

Portable Ladder - A ladder that can be readily moved or carried.

Riser Height - The vertical distance from the top of a tread or platform/landing to the top of the next higher tread or platform/landing.

Side-Step Fixed Ladder - A fixed ladder that requires a person getting off at the top to step to the side of the ladder side rails to reach the landing.

Single-Cleat Ladder - A ladder consisting of a pair of side rails connected together by cleats, rungs, or steps.

Stair rail System - A vertical barrier erected along the unprotected sides and edges of a stairway to prevent employees from falling to lower levels.

Temporary Service Stairway - A stairway where permanent treads and/or landings are to be filled in at a later date.

Through Fixed Ladder - A fixed ladder that requires a person getting off at the top to step between the side rails of the ladder to reach the landing.

Tread Depth - The horizontal distance from front to back of a tread, excluding nosing, if any.

[Programs to be added:]

Blood Borne Pathogens
Confined Space
Crawler Locomotive and Truck Cranes
Disciplinary
Electrical Safety-Related Work Practices
Emergency Evacuation
Ergonomics
Forging Machines
Ground Fault Protection
Hazcom
Mechanical Power Presses
Medical Treatment
Overhead and Gantry Cranes
Oxygen-Fuel Gas Welding and Cutting
Resistance Welding
Respiratory Protection
Telecommunications
Welding and Cutting

Appendix 3: Supervisor Safety Training

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Description of Course Topics

- **Hazard Analysis**
- **Personal Protective Equipment**
- **Job Briefing**
- **Accident Reporting**
- **Conducting a Safety Meeting**

Introduction

Safety Statement

The mission of the Campus Facilities Safety Department is to provide for the employees of the department, a safe and healthy workplace free of dangerous or debilitating conditions.

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Campus Facilities has spent over \$800,000.00 in Worker Comp Costs and Lost time from 7/1/96 through 02/28/99

It is the responsibility of all employees to correct situations that could cause injury or illness. It is not the aim of safety to force in anyway, any agency standards, Federal, State, or Local that do not apply to the University. The costs associated with such programs shall be brought to the proper levels of management for review before any are adopted. However, the guidelines for various training are worthy tools and will be used whenever appropriate to our needs. They serve a twofold purpose. To provide a standardized format for training, and in civil action, to be used as **T**documentation of accepted training. It is not the intention of C.F. safety to blanket the departments with unnecessary rules and regulations because they exist. Documented hazards, Unsafe Conditions, Accidents and causes will direct appropriate action.

The goal of the C.F. Safety Program is to develop positive attitudes regarding safety among all persons in the Campus Facilities organization. It is essential that all levels of the workforce and staff take an active part in initiating proactive measures to control hazards associated with activities under their direction. Safety is a major part of all operation where Campus Facilities is involved and the success of the program depends upon the cooperation of everyone.

It has long been recognized that an injury free work environment is a more cost effective and productive operation. Supervisors are closest to the performance of the work tasks of employees. They are in a position to observe and control the day to day operations of the workforce which includes safe working conditions and safe work practices. It is the group that can have the greatest impact on accident prevention and productivity.

Course Goals

- To ensure compliance with University safety policies and procedures
- Identify unsafe work practices and unsafe conditions
- Recognize, eliminate, or abate jobsite hazards as far as possible
- Conduct jobsite briefings which include hazards and unsafe conditions
- Learn proper Personal Protective Equipment essentials
- Become familiar with accident reporting requirements and other forms
- Conduct safety meetings or request safety training when necessary

Jobsite Hazard Assessment

Safe Conditions and operations are determined by correct assessment of Jobsite Hazards. Developing skills to determine, recognize, abate and correct known hazards and/or potential hazards is paramount to supervisors in Campus Facilities.

Part of the supervisor's job is to see that the work assigned to the crews is completed in an efficient and timely manner. Who better to observe the work being performed than the supervisor! Supervisors know the personalities, work habits, attitudes and mannerisms of their employees. Safety committees and other safety personnel can assist but ultimately, the most knowledgeable person for the job is YOU.

WHY SAFETY IS GOOD BUSSINESS

Accidents, injuries, and lost time often cause pain and suffering to affected employees. They can disrupt crew schedules, make down time, and create morale problems. Most often however, they cause headaches for the supervisor in charge. Work needs to be done in spite of the injuries or accident caused absenteeism. You have a lot to gain from a safe workplace.

The following are excerpts from an article by Jeannette Jacobson [Hazard Hunting-Looking for Trouble](#)

ONE OF YOUR JOBS IS TO LOOK FOR TROUBLE

"Let's call this strategy a "Hazard Hunt," since the terms "safety inspection" and "safety audit" tend to remind us of OSHA and IRS visits. Preventing accidents should be an internal process, and it has to be planned and scheduled. It's not enough just to keep your eye out for danger. You must periodically set aside time to focus on the work environment and your crewmembers with "new eyes." Instead of looking for hidden objects in a picture, or a good-looking face in a crowd, your goal is to find and eliminate possible sources of danger. "

Hazard Hunting:

The author of the article above compared "Hazard Hunting" to the game we played as children -"find the hidden object in this scene". Too often supervisors feel that a formal safety audit takes too much time and employees see it as threatening. Employees sometimes see the safety audits as a way for a supervisor to find fault with them. Full safety audits have their place in a safety program and as supervisors you may find yourself involved in them, at some given point in time. It needs to be understood however, that the day to day hazard assessments only takes a few minutes. Some safety programs call this audit "Take 5 for safety", others call it "Tailgate Conferences", and other still, "A Job Briefing". No matter what we name it, the purpose of the exercise is to assess the jobsite for hazards, determine the proper PPE, and review the work plan prior to starting the job. Conducting a

Job Briefing will be covered later in the program. For now, let's look at the mechanics of "Hazard Hunting".

Why Hazard Assessment?

The purpose of hazard assessment is to ensure a safe jobsite by correcting unsafe conditions as far as possible. **Engineering Controls** are always the first consideration in a safe operation. Engineering controls however can be very expensive or impractical. Changing building plans are not always the answer. The second avenue for hazard control is **Administrative Controls**. Administrative controls are decisions that often become procedures. A roof may be unsafe to walk across at night because there is no lighting and lighting the area is too costly or ineffective. As a supervisor having a job ticket for work normally done by night crews you have a decision to make. What are the options? Don't do the work, (yeah right--): Take a flashlight along, (might work if the employee doesn't have to carry anything else), Do the work during daylight only. Hopefully that latter option would be the choice. Looking at other options, for instance, "the way we *Do* the job" may be simpler and just as safe. Using power tools instead of hand tools, using mechanical personnel lifts instead of ladders etc. are examples of administrative controls that supervisors use regularly.

The Third control is the need for **Personal Protective Equipment** (PPE). It is always a consideration in planning a job. How do we determine the need for PPE? Hazard Assessments!!!!

The following pages describe typical hazards, some preventative measures and ways of determining PPE. They are just guidelines to assist you. The safety department, the C.F. safety committees, and the C.F. Risk Assessment Committee has the responsibility for determining the particulars of safety policy and safe work practices.

Where Do We Begin?

Jobsite Hazards are broken down into several categories. Major job risks include air contaminants, chemical, biological, physical, and ergonomic hazards.

Air contaminants are commonly classified as particulate, gas, or vapors. Below are some common definitions:

Dusts are solid particles formed by mechanical processes --crushing, grinding, drilling, abrading or blasting.

Fumes are suspensions of particles in a gas (Air)

Mists are fine liquids suspended in the air usually caused by the liquid breaking up -- splashing, foaming, atomizing.

Fibers are solid particles that are longer than they are wide.

Gases are fluids without form which expand to occupy the space they are in.
Usually come from operation of internal combustion engines. - Carbon Monoxide

Vapors are gases from substances that are normally in solid or liquid state at room temperature. They are formed by evaporation - vapors from solvents is an example.

Chemical Hazards are harmful compounds in solid, liquid, gaseous state. They have harmful effects by breathing them in, being absorbed through the skin, or from eating or drinking. The degree of worker risk from exposure depends on the nature, potency and length of exposure. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) provide information on how to protect your workers.

Biological Hazards are organisms that can cause infections by entering the body directly or through the skin. Proper personal hygiene is an effective measure for worker protection. Attention to minor cuts, scratches especially on the hand and forearms help reduce risks.

Ergonomic are problems resulting from poorly designed job tasks that could cause conditions of excessive vibration, eye strain, repetitive motion, and heavy lifting problems.

Physical Hazards are hazards that include improper tools, low overhangs, tripping hazards. Machine guards, Electrical hazards and falling and many others are included in this category.

Basic Physical Hazards:

Impact

Penetration

Compression (Roll Over)

Chemical Contacts

Heat

Harmful Dust

Light, Radiation (Optical)

Sunlight,

Welding Light,

Electrical Arc

Other these hazards include: The Public, Non-University workers as well as other department's crews working at the site

A Guide for Assessment

Begin with a survey of your workplace. Observe the environment in which your employees work. Ask employees how they perform their tasks. Look for sources of potential injury such as the following:

- Objects that might fall from above.
- Exposed pipes or beams at work level.
- Exposed liquid chemicals.
- Sources of heat, intense light, noise, or dust.
- Equipment or materials that could produce flying particles.
- Tripping/Falling/Slipping
- Housekeeping Clutter (JOBSITE JUNK)
- All feasible engineering and work practice controls are in place
- Unguarded machinery or tools
- Sources of electricity
- Heavy equipment operation/trenchers/loaders etc.

Personal Protective Equipment - PPE

Chapter

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The preferred way to eliminate hazards is through Engineering Controls or Work Practice and Administrative Controls. When these controls are not feasible or do not provide sufficient protection, an alternative or supplementary method of protection is to provide workers with Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and the knowledge to use it properly.

Although the information presented in this guide is intended to help you, please keep in mind that it is general in nature and does not address all workplace hazards or PPE requirements.

What is personal protective equipment?

Personal protective equipment, includes a variety of devices and garments to protect workers from injuries.

YOU CAN FIND PPE DESIGNED TO PROTECT

Eyes

Face,

Head,

Ears,

Feet,

Hands and arms, and Whole body.

PPE includes such items as Goggles, Face shields, Safety glasses, Hardhats, Safety shoes, Gloves, Vests, Earplugs, and Earmuffs.

NOTE: Respirators and Rubber insulating equipment (gloves, sleeves, blankets) are also considered PPE. There are specific requirements for these types.

This general guide does not address such equipment. You will need assistance in determining the need for and the appropriate choice of respiratory protection for your employees. The Respiratory Protection Program for the University is handled through EH&S. Contact Janet if you need help with this type of protection.

This program sets out procedures for selecting, providing, and using PPE as part of your routine operation. A written PPE program based on University policy is easier to evaluate and maintain than an unwritten one. The C.F. Safety Standards Committee is presently putting the PPE policy in place. You have already begun to establish a PPE program however by thinking about how best to protect your

employees from potential hazards. Use the information provided here for actions that are needed in regard to PPE.

Working through the PPE selection process in this guide will produce the foundation for your understanding of what is to come in Campus Facilities Safety. In the future, any information that you will need will be written down in a "Safe Work Practices Manual". All employees will have, at their fingertips, a source of information about safety procedures and PPE.

The Need For PPE

We must provide PPE for your employees if:

Their work environment presents a hazard or is likely to present a hazard to any part of their bodies;

OR

Their work processes present a hazard or are likely to present a hazard to any part of their bodies;

OR

During their work, they might come into contact with hazardous chemicals, radiation,

OR

Mechanical irritants;

You are unable to eliminate their exposure or potential exposure to the hazard by engineering, work practice, or administrative controls.

How do I identify potential hazards in my workplace?

Begin with a survey of your workplace. Observe the environment in which your employees work. Ask employees how they perform their tasks.

Look for sources of potential injury such as the following :

Objects that might fall from above.

Exposed pipes or beams at work level.

Exposed liquid chemicals.

Sources of heat, intense light, noise, or dust.

Equipment or materials that could produce flying particles.

And many others discussed earlier




You must examine each likely hazard very carefully and determine the nature of the threat the hazard poses to your employees. Then choose the appropriate PPE for protection against that hazard, and make sure that any PPE you choose will fit the employee(s) who must wear it. Next, make sure that your

employees are trained in the proper use and care of the PPE. Use Checklist B to assess the work environment and procedures. Remember that this is not an exhaustive list. Many workplace operations create hazards; not all of them could be listed here. If you don't find a specific task on the checklist, look for similarities between your workplace operations and those on the list on the list.

Try to anticipate whether such operations also might create similar hazards

Remember that an operation need only have the potential to cause injury to require PPE.

**Checklist B:
Need for PPE**

Suggested Questions	Typical Operations of Concern	Yes	No
 Eyes			
Do employees perform tasks, or work near employees who perform tasks, that might produce airborne dust or flying particles?	Sawing, cutting, drilling, sanding, grinding, hammering, chopping, abrasive blasting, and punch press operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees handle, or work near employees who handle, hazardous liquid chemicals or encounter blood splashes?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, dip tank operations, and dental and health care services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' eyes exposed to other potential physical or chemical irritants?	Battery charging, installing fiberglass insulation, and compressed air or gas operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees exposed to intense light or lasers?	Welding, cutting, and laser operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Face			
Do your employees handle, or work near employees who handle, hazardous liquid chemicals?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, and dip tank operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' faces exposed to extreme heat?	Welding, pouring molten metal, smithing, baking, cooking, and drying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' faces exposed to other potential irritants?	Cutting, sanding, grinding, hammering, chopping, pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, and syphoning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Head			
Might tools or other objects fall from above and strike your employees on the head?	Work stations or traffic routes located under catwalks or conveyor belts, construction, trenching, and utility work.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Suggested Questions	Typical Operations of Concern		
		Yes	No
When your employees stand or bend, are there heads near exposed beams, machine parts, or pipes?	Construction, confined space operations, and building maintenance.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees work with or near exposed electrical wiring or components?	Building maintenance; utility work; construction; wiring; work on or near communications, computer, or other high-tech equipment; and arc or resistance welding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Feet			
Could tools, heavy equipment, or other objects roll, fall onto, or strike your employees' feet?	Construction, plumbing, smithing, building maintenance, trenching, utility work, and grass cutting.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees work with or near exposed electrical wiring or components?	Building maintenance; utility work; construction; wiring; work on or near communications, computer, or other high-tech equipment; and arc or resistance welding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees work with explosives or in explosive atmospheres?	Demolition, explosives manufacturing, grain milling, spray painting, abrasive blasting, and work with highly flammable materials	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
 Hands			
Do your employees' hands come into contact with tools or materials that might scrape, bruise, or cut?	Grinding, sanding, sawing, hammering, and material handling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do your employees handle chemicals that might irritate skin, or come into contact with blood?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, dip tank operations, and health care and dental services.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Do work procedures require your employees to place their hands and arms near extreme heat?	Welding, pouring molten metal, smithing, baking, cooking, and drying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Eye and Face Protection

WHEN MUST I PROVIDE EYE PROTECTION FOR EMPLOYEES?

You must provide eye protection for employees whenever they are exposed to potential eye injuries during their work if work practice or engineering controls do not eliminate the risk of injury. Some of the things that might cause eye injuries include the following:

Dust and other flying particles, such as metal shavings or wool fibers.

Molten metal that might splash.

Acids and other caustic liquid chemicals that might splash.

Blood and other potentially infectious body fluids that might splash, spray, or splatter.

Intense light such as that created by welding arcs and lasers.

Selecting Protective Eyewear For Employees

MUCH OF WHAT YOU WILL NEED HAS BEEN SELECTED AND MAY BE PURCHASED BY EACH DEPARTMENT REPRESENTATIVE.

Begin with the following criteria:

Eye protection must protect against the specific hazard(s) encountered in the workplace.

It must be reasonably comfortable to wear.

Eye protection must not restrict vision or movement.

Eye protection must be durable and easy to clean and disinfect.

Eye protection must not interfere with the function of other required PPE.

An Employee who wears eyeglasses with corrective lenses can obtain their eyeglasses from EH&S.

OR

The employee may wear goggles that can fit comfortably over corrective eyeglasses without disturbing the alignment of the Goggles. Protective eyewear is provided to employees wearing contact lenses and who are exposed to potential eye injury. Eye protection provided to these employees may also incorporate corrective eyeglasses. Thus, if an employee must don eyeglasses in case of contact lens failure or loss, he or she will still be able to use the same protective eyewear.

TYPES OF EYE & FACE PROTECTORS

Safety spectacles. These protective eyeglasses are made with safety frames constructed of metal and/or plastic and are fitted with either corrective or plano impact-resistant lenses. They come with and without side shields, but most workplace operations will require side shields.

Impact-resistant spectacles. This eyewear can be used for moderate impact from particles produced by such jobs as carpentry, woodworking, grinding, and scaling.

Side shields. These protect against particles that might enter the eyes from the side. Side shields are made of wire mesh or plastic. Eye-cup type side shields provide the best protection.

Goggles. You may choose from many different types of goggles, each designed for specific hazards. Generally, goggles protect eyes, eye sockets, and the facial area immediately surrounding the eyes from impact, dust, and splashes. Some goggles fit over corrective lenses.

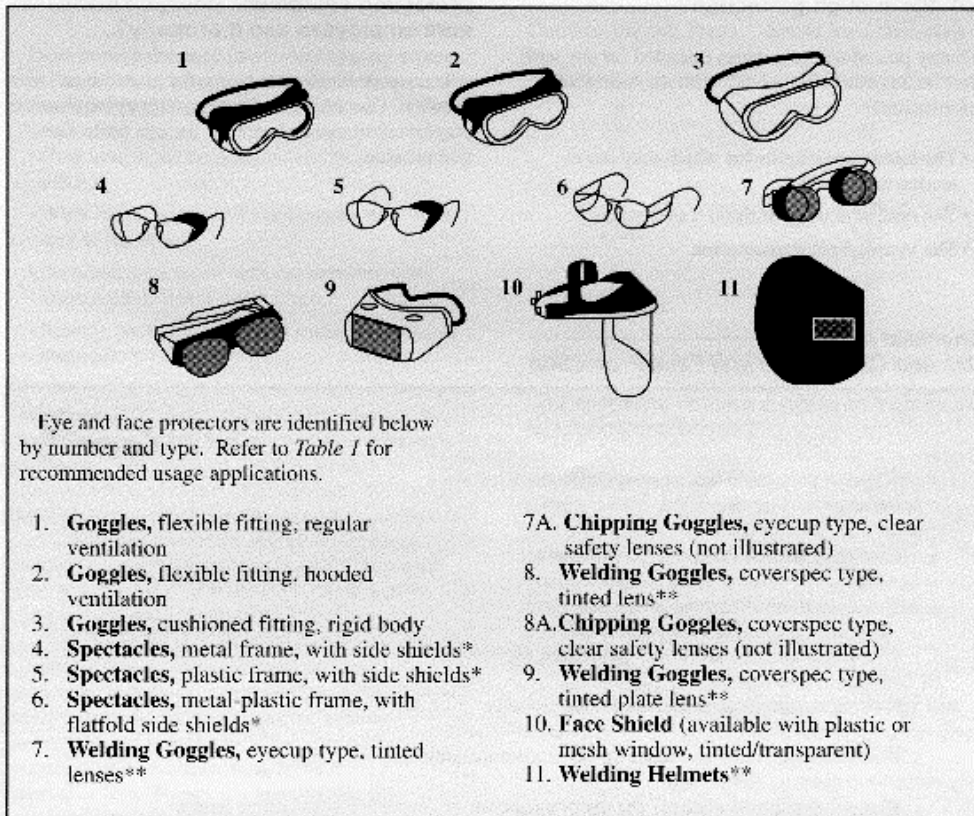
Welding shields. Constructed of vulcanized fiber or fiberglass and fitted with a filtered lens, these protective devices are designed for the specific hazards associated with welding. Welding shields protect your employees' eyes from burns caused by infrared or intense radiant light, and they protect face and eyes from flying sparks,

metal spatter, and slag chips produced during welding, brazing, soldering, and cutting.

Laser safety goggles. Laser safety goggles provide a range of protection against the intense concentrations of light produced by lasers. The type of laser safety goggles you choose will depend upon the equipment and operating conditions in your workplace.

Face shields. These transparent sheets of plastic extend from the brow to below the chin across the entire width of the employee's head. Some are polarized for glare protection. Choose face shields to protect your employees' faces from nuisance dusts and potential splashes or sprays of hazardous liquids.

Figure 1. Recommended Eye and Face Protectors



Source: 29 CFR 1926.102 (a)(5) Table E-1.

*These are also available without side shields for limited use requiring only frontal protection.

** See Table 2, Filter Lenses for Protection Against Radiant Energy.

Table 1. Eye and Face Protector Selection Guide

Operation	Hazards	Recommended protectors: (numbers refer to Figure 1)
Acetylene-burning, acetylene-cutting, acetylene-welding	Sparks, harmful rays, molten metal, flying particles	7,8,9
Chemical handling	Splash, acid burns, fumes	2,10 (for severe exposure add 10 over 2)
Chipping	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,7A,8A
Electric (arc) welding	Sparks, intense rays, molten metal	9,11 (11 in combination with 4,5,6 in tinted lenses advisable)
Furnace operations	Glare, heat, molten metal	7,8,9 (for severe exposure add 10)
Grinding - light	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,10
Grinding - heavy	Flying particles	1,3,7A,8A (for severe exposure add 10)
Laboratory	Chemical splash, glass breakage	2 (10 when in combination with 4,5,6)
Machining	Flying particles	1,3,4,5,6,10
Molten metals	Heat, glare, sparks, splash	7,8 (10 in combination with 4,5,6 in tinted lenses)
Spot welding	Flying particles, sparks	1,3,4,5,6,10

Source: 29 CFR 1926.102(a)(5)

CAN FACE SHIELDS PROTECT EMPLOYEES INSTEAD OF GOGGLES OR PROTECTIVE SPECTACLES?

Face shields do not protect employees from impact hazards. You may use however, face shields in combination with goggles or safety spectacles, to protect against impact hazards, even in the absence of dust or potential splashes, for additional protection beyond that offered by goggles or spectacles alone.

Each kind of protective eyewear is designed to protect against specific hazards. By completing the hazard assessment of your workplace outlined in the previous section, you will identify the specific workplace hazards that pose a threat to your employees' eyes and faces.

HOW DARK DO LENSES ON WELDING HELMETS AND GOGGLES NEED TO BE?

The intensity of light or radiant energy produced by welding, cutting, or brazing operations varies according to a number of factors including the task producing the light, the electrode size, and the arc current. Table 2 shows the minimum protective shade for a variety of welding, cutting, and brazing operations. To protect employees who are exposed to intense radiant energy, begin by selecting a shade too dark to see the welding zone. Then try lighter shades until you find one that allows a sufficient view of the welding zone without going below the minimum protective shade.

HOW DO I PROTECT EMPLOYEES FROM EXPOSURE TO LASER BEAMS?

You must provide safety goggles specifically designed to protect the employees' eyes from the specific intensity of light produced by the laser. The level of protection will vary according to the level of radiation emitted by the laser. If your employees are exposed to laser beams, you must determine the maximum power density, or intensity, that the lasers can produce. Based on this knowledge, you must select lenses that will protect against this maximum intensity.

HOW CAN I BE SURE THAT LASER SAFETY GOGGLES PROVIDE ENOUGH PROTECTION?

Every pair of safety goggles intended for use with laser beams must bear a label with the following information: The laser wavelengths for which they are intended to be used. The optical density of those wavelengths. The visible light transmission.

MAINTAINING PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR. MY WORKPLACE GETS DIRTY. HOW WILL EMPLOYEES KEEP THEIR PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR CLEAN AND EFFECTIVE?

Train your employees how to clean the eye protectors. Allow them time at the end of their shifts to do the following:

- Disassemble goggles or spectacles,*
- Thoroughly clean all parts with soap and warm water,*
- Carefully rinse off all traces of soap, and*
- Replace all defective parts.*

Occasionally, you must disinfect the protective eyewear. To do so, after cleaning you can do the following:

- Immerse and swab all parts for 10 minutes in a germicidal solution.*
- Remove all parts from the solution and hang in a clean place to air dry at room temperature or with heated air.*

Do not rinse the parts after submerging them in the disinfectant. Rinsing will remove the germicidal residue that remains after drying. Also use ultraviolet disinfecting and spray-type disinfecting solutions also may be used after washing.

EMPLOYEES WORK IN SHIFTS. COULD I PROVIDE ONE PAIR OF PROTECTIVE EYEWEAR FOR EACH POSITION INSTEAD OF EACH EMPLOYEE?

Yes. If you do this, however, you must disinfect shared protective eyewear after each use. If the goggles or spectacles do not have to be individually designed to incorporate an employee's corrective lenses and you disinfect the eyewear between uses by different employees, more than one employee may use the same set of protective eyewear.

Head Protection

You must provide head protection for your employees if:

Objects might fall from above and strike them on the head;

They might bump their heads against fixed objects, such as exposed pipes or beams;

OR

They work near exposed electrical conductors.

In general, protective helmets, or hard hats, should

Resist penetration by objects,

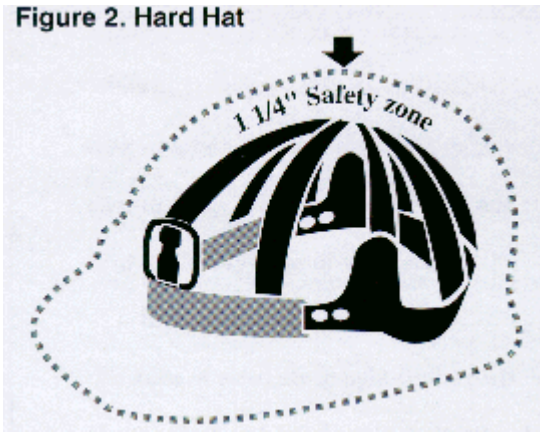
Absorb the shock of a blow,

Be water resistant and slow burning, and

Come with instructions explaining proper adjustment and replacement of the suspension and headband.

NOTE :Hard hats require a hard outer shell and a shock-absorbing lining. The lining should incorporate a head band and straps that suspend the shell from 1 to 1 1/4 inches (2.54 cm to 3.18 cm) away from the user's head. This design provides shock absorption during impact and ventilation during wear.

Figure 2. Hard Hat



TYPES OF PROTECTIVE HEADWEAR

Hard hats are divided into three industrial classes:

Class A. These helmets are for general service. They provide good impact protection but limited voltage protection. They are used mainly in mining, building construction, shipbuilding, lumbering, and manufacturing.

Class B. Choose Class B helmets if your employees are engaged in electrical work. They protect against falling objects and high-voltage shock and burns.

Class C. Designed for comfort, these lightweight helmets offer limited protection. They protect workers from bumping against fixed objects but do not protect against falling objects or electric shock.

Look at the inside of any protective helmet you are considering for your employees, and you should see a label showing the manufacturer's name, the ANSI standard it meets, and its class.

HOW DO I CHOOSE THE CORRECT PROTECTIVE HELMETS FROM AMONG THE DIFFERENT TYPES?

Each kind of protective helmet is designed to protect against specific hazards. By completing the hazard assessment outlined above, you will identify the specific workplace hazards that pose a threat to your employee's head.

I HAVE PURCHASED NEW HARD HATS THAT MEET THE ANSI REQUIREMENTS. HAVE I FULFILLED MY RESPONSIBILITY TO PROTECT EMPLOYEES' HEADS?

No. Issuing appropriate head protection to employees is a major first step, but you must make sure that the hard hats continue to provide sufficient protection to your employees. Do this by training your employees in the proper use and maintenance of hard hats including daily inspection of them.

REMOVING HARD HATS FROM SERVICE

If your employees identify any of the following defects, remove the hard hats from service:

The suspension system shows signs of deterioration such as:

- Cracking,
- Tearing, or
- Fraying.

The suspension system no longer holds the shell from 1 inch to 1 1/4 inches (2.54cm - 3.18cm) away from the employee's head.

The brim or shell is cracked, perforated, or deformed.

The brim or shell shows signs of exposure to heat, chemicals, ultraviolet light, or other radiation.

Such signs include:

- Loss of surface gloss,*
- Chalking, or*
- Flaking (a sign of advanced deterioration).*

MAINTAINING HARD HATS. COULD EMPLOYEES WEARING HARD HATS AND WORKING AT ELEVATIONS CREATE A POTENTIAL HAZARD FOR THE EMPLOYEES WORKING BELOW?

To protect employees working below, you must provide chin straps for the protective helmets worn by employees working at higher elevations, whether in an aerial lift or at the edge of a pit. The chinstraps should be designed to prevent the hard hats from being bumped off the employees' heads.

Information you will want to consider when training employees on how to care for their hard hats includes the following:

Paints, paint thinners, and some cleaning agents can weaken the shell of the hard hat and may eliminate electrical resistance.

Keep in mind that paint and stickers can also hide signs of deterioration in the hard hat shell. Limit their use

Ultraviolet light and extreme heat, such as that generated by sunlight, can reduce the strength of the hard hats. Therefore, employees should not store or transport hard hats on the rear-window shelves of automobiles or otherwise in direct sunlight.

Also, instruct employees to clean the protective helmets periodically by:

Immersing for one minute in hot (approximately 140° F, or 60° C) water and detergent, Scrubbing, and Rinsing in clear hot water.

Foot and Leg Protection

POTENTIAL HAZARDS YOU MIGHT IDENTIFY:

Heavy objects such as barrels or tools that might roll onto or fall on employees' feet.

Sharp objects such as nails or spikes that might pierce the soles or uppers of ordinary shoes.

Molten metal that might splash on feet or legs

Hot or wet surfaces.

Slippery surfaces.

What are the types of protection and where do I use them?

The type of foot and leg protection you provide your employees will depend upon the specific Workplace hazards you identify and the specific parts of the feet or legs exposed to potential injury.

TYPES OF FOOT AND LEG PROTECTION

Leggings. Use these to protect the lower legs and feet from heat hazards, like molten metal or welding sparks. Safety snaps allow leggings to be removed quickly.

Metatarsal guards. Made of aluminum, steel, fiber, or plastic, these guards may be strapped to the outside of shoes to protect the instep area from impact and compression.

Toe guards. Toe guards may be made of steel, aluminum, or plastic. They fit over the toes of regular shoes. These guards protect only the toes from impact and compression hazards.

Combination foot and shin guards. These guards may be used in combination with toe guards when greater protection is needed.

Safety shoes. These sturdy shoes have impact-resistant toes and heat-resistant soles that protect against hot work surfaces common in roofing, paving, and hot metal industries.

The metal insoles of some safety shoes protect against puncture wounds. Safety shoes may also be designed to be electrically conductive to prevent the buildup of static electricity in areas with the potential for explosive atmospheres, or nonconductive to protect workers from workplace electrical hazards.

Generally, safety shoes must be sturdy and must have impact-resistant safety toes, instep protection, and heat-resistant soles (see Figure 3). All safety shoes must comply with the ANSI standard. In addition, depending on the types of worker exposures, you may need to provide specially designed safety shoes such as conductive or electrical-hazard safety shoes.

Conductive Shoes

Electrically conductive shoes protect against the buildup of static electricity. Essentially, these shoes ground the employees wearing them. Employees working in explosive and hazardous locations such as explosives manufacturing facilities or grain elevators must wear conductive shoes to reduce the risk of static electricity buildup on an employee's body that could produce a spark and cause an explosion or fire. During training, employees must be instructed not to use foot powder or wear socks made of silk, wool, or nylon with conductive shoes. Foot powder insulates and retards the conductive ability of the shoes. Silk, wool, and nylon produce static electricity.

NOTE: Conductive shoes are not general-purpose shoes and must be removed upon completion of the tasks for which they are required. Employees exposed to electrical hazards must never wear conductive shoes.

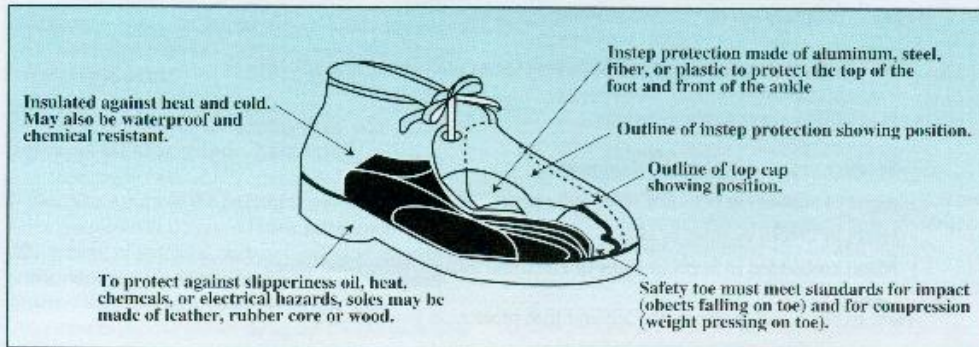
Non-Conductive Shoes - Electrical Hazard, Safety-Toe Shoes

Electrical hazard, safety-toe shoes are nonconductive and will prevent your employees' feet from completing an electrical circuit to the ground. They can protect employees against open circuits of up to 600 volts in dry conditions. Electrical hazard, safety-toe shoes should be used in conjunction with other insulating equipment and precautions to reduce or eliminate the potential for your employees' bodies or parts of their bodies to provide a path for hazardous electrical energy.

NOTE: Nonconductive footwear must not be used in explosive or hazardous locations; in such locations, electrically conductive shoes are required.

<i>If your employees...</i>	<i>Then...</i>
Work near explosive or hazardous atmosphere.	You must provide them with conductive shoes.
Work near exposed electrical conductors or components.	You must provide them with electrical-hazard, safety-toe shoes.
Work with molten metal.	You must provide them with foundry shoes.

Figure 3. Safety Shoes



SAFETY SHOE FAILURE. TRAIN YOUR EMPLOYEES TO RECOGNIZE THAT THE INSULATING PROTECTION OF ELECTRICAL HAZARD, SAFETY-TOE

Shoes may be compromised if :

The shoe is wet


The rubber sole is worn through

Metal particles become embedded in the sole or heel; or

Other parts of the employees' bodies come into contact with conductive, grounded items.

Hand and Arm Protection

If your workplace hazard assessment reveals that your employees risk injury to their hands and arms, and engineering and work practice controls do not eliminate the hazards, you must provide your employees with appropriate protection.

Suggested Questions	Typical Operations of Concern	Yes	No
 <p>Are your employees' hands and arms placed near exposed electrical wiring or components?</p>	Building maintenance; utility work; construction; wiring; work on or near communications, computer, or other high-tech equipment; and arc or resistance welding.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Body			
Are your employees' bodies exposed to irritating dust or chemical splashes?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, dip tank operations, machining, sawing, battery charging, installing fiberglass insulation, and compressed air or gas operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' bodies exposed to sharp or rough surfaces?	Cutting, grinding, sanding, sawing, glazing, and material handling.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' bodies exposed to extreme heat?	Welding, pouring molten metal, smithing, baking, cooking, and drying.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are your employees' bodies exposed to acids or other hazardous substances?	Pouring, mixing, painting, cleaning, syphoning, and dip tank operations.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ears/Hearing			
Are your employees exposed to loud noise from machines, tools, or music systems?	Machining, grinding, sanding, work near conveyors, pneumatic equipment, generators, ventilation fans, motors, and punch and brake presses.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

POTENTIAL HAZARDS. The injuries you may need to guard against in your workplace include the following:

Burns

Bruises

Abrasions

Cuts

Punctures

Fractures

Amputations

Chemical exposures.

For many workplace operations, machine guards such as point-of-operation guards will be sufficient. For example, install a barrier that makes it impossible for employees to put their hands at the point where a table saw blade makes contact with the wood it cuts.

For other hazardous operations, you may be able to institute work procedures that eliminate the risk of injury to your employees' hands or arms. When such measures fail to eliminate the hazard, however, protective gloves will be the primary means of protecting employees' hands. When the risk of injury includes the arm, protective sleeves, often attached to the gloves, may be appropriate.

GLOVES/DESIGN, MATERIALS. IS THERE ONE KIND OF GLOVE THAT WILL PROTECT AGAINST ALL WORKPLACE HAZARDS?

No. The nature of the hazard(s) and the operation to be performed will determine your selection of gloves. The variety of potential occupational hand injuries may make selecting the appropriate pair of gloves more difficult than choosing other protective equipment. Take care to choose gloves designed for the particular circumstances of your workplace.

Gloves made from a variety of materials are designed for virtually every workplace hazard. In general, however, they may be divided into four groups:

Durable work gloves made of metal mesh, leather, or canvas.

Fabric and coated fabric gloves.

Chemical and liquid resistant gloves.

Insulating rubber gloves.

Sturdy gloves made of metal or leather or canvas:

Metal Mesh, Leather, or Canvas Gloves Sturdy gloves made from metal mesh, leather, or canvas provide protection against cuts, burns, and sustained heat.

Leather gloves protect against sparks, moderate heat, blows, chips, and rough objects. Welders in particular need the durability of higher-quality leather gloves.

Aluminized gloves. These gloves usually are used for welding, furnace, and foundry work because they provide reflective and insulating protection against heat.

Aluminized gloves require an insert made of synthetic materials that protect against heat and cold.

Aramid fiber gloves. Aramid is a synthetic material that protects against heat and cold. Many glove manufacturers use aramid fiber to make gloves that are cut- and abrasive-resistant and wear well.

Other synthetic materials. Several manufacturers make gloves with other synthetic fabrics that offer protection against heat and cold. In addition to protection against temperature extremes, gloves made with other synthetic materials are cut- and

abrasive-resistant and may withstand some diluted acids. These materials do not stand up against alkalis and solvents.

Fabric and Coated Fabric Gloves These gloves are made of cotton or other fabric to provide varying degrees of protection.

Fabric gloves. These gloves can protect against dirt, slivers, chafing, and abrasion. These gloves do not provide sufficient protection, however, to be used with rough, sharp, or heavy materials. Adding a plastic coating to some fabric gloves strengthens them and makes them effective protection for a variety of tasks. Coated fabric gloves. Manufacturers normally make these gloves from cotton flannel with napping on one side. By coating the unnapped side with plastic, fabric gloves are transformed into general-purpose hand protection offering slip-resistant qualities. These gloves are used for tasks ranging from handling bricks and wire rope to handling chemical containers in laboratory operations. When selecting gloves to protect against chemical exposure hazards, always check with the manufacturer (or review the manufacturer's product literature) to determine the gloves' effectiveness against the specific chemicals and conditions in the workplace.

Chemical- and Liquid-Resistant Gloves Gloves made of rubber (latex, nitrile, or butyl), plastic, or synthetic rubber-like material such as neoprene protect workers from burns, irritation, and dermatitis caused by contact with oils, greases, solvents, and other chemicals. The use of rubber gloves also reduces the risk of exposure to blood and other potentially infectious substances.

Body Protection/Design, Materials

You must provide body protection for employees if they are threatened with bodily injury of one kind or another while performing their jobs, and if engineering, work practice, and administrative controls have failed to eliminate these hazards. Workplace hazards that could cause bodily injury include the following:

Intense heat

Splashes of hot metals and other hot liquids

Impacts from tools, machinery, and materials

Cuts

Hazardous chemicals

Contact with potentially infectious materials, like blood

Radiation.

△ *As with all protective equipment, protective clothing is available to protect against specific hazards. You need to provide personal protective equipment only for the parts of the body exposed to possible injury.*

Depending upon hazards in your workplace, you may need to provide your employees with one or more of the following:

Vests

Jackets

Aprons

Coveralls

Surgical gowns

Full body suits

If your hazard assessment indicates that you must provide full body protection against toxic substances or harmful physical agents, you must:

Inspect the clothing carefully,

Ensure proper fit, and

Make sure the protective clothing functions properly

Conduct your hazard assessment. Identify the sources of any possible bodily injury. Install any feasible engineering controls, and institute work practice controls to eliminate the hazards.

If the possibility of bodily injury still exists, provide protective clothing constructed of material that will protect against the specific hazards in your workplace.

Materials for protective clothing include the following:

Paper like fiber. Disposable suits made of this material provide protection against dust and splashes.

Treated wool and cotton. Protective clothing made from treated wool and cotton adapts well to hanging workplace temperatures and is comfortable as well as fire resistant. Treated cotton and wool clothing protects against dust, abrasions, and rough and irritating surfaces.

Duck. This closely woven cotton fabric protects employees against cuts and bruises while they handle heavy, sharp, or rough materials.

Leather. Leather protective clothing is often used against dry heat and flame.

Rubber, rubberized fabrics, neoprene, and plastics. Protective clothing made from these materials protects against certain acids and other chemicals.

Be aware that different materials will protect against different chemical and physical hazards. If you have questions about protection when chemical or physical hazards are present, check with the safety department.

Hearing Protection

Determining the need to provide hearing protection can be tricky. Employee exposure to excessive noise depends upon a number of factors: Will Be conducted by EH&S with cooperation from C.F. Safety and the various C.F. departments.

Generally, the louder the noise, the shorter the exposure time before you must provide hearing protection. For instance, employees may be exposed to a noise level of 90 dBA for 8 hours per day before you must provide hearing protection for them. Suppose, however, that the noise level reaches 115 dBA in your workplace. Then you must provide hearing protection if their anticipated exposure exceeds 15 minutes.

POTENTIAL HAZARDS. WILL EARPLUGS REDUCE EMPLOYEE EXPOSURE TO HIGH NOISE LEVELS?

As with other types of hazards, you must implement feasible engineering controls and work practices before resorting to PPE such as earplugs or earmuffs. If engineering and work practice controls do not lower employee exposure to workplace noise to acceptable levels, then you must provide employees with appropriate PPE.

WHAT IF MY EMPLOYEES ARE EXPOSED TO DIFFERENT LEVELS OF NOISE THROUGHOUT THE DAY?

If employees move from location to location and the noise level is different in each location, or if the noise levels in an area change throughout the day (e.g., equipment turns on or off), EH&S must calculate "equivalent noise factors to determine whether you must provide hearing protection.

EAR PROTECTION/EAR PLUGS, OTHER DEVICES. WHAT KINDS OF DEVICES PROTECT AGAINST HIGH NOISE LEVELS? IS COTTON SUFFICIENT AS EARPLUGS?

Plain cotton does not effectively protect against occupational noise. There are however several products that are effective at protecting your employees' hearing.

Single-use earplugs. Made of waxed cotton, foam, or fiberglass wool, these earplugs are self-forming and, when properly inserted, work as well as most molded earplugs.

Preformed or molded earplugs. Sometimes single use and disposable, these plugs must be individually fitted by a professional.

Nondisposable plugs should be cleaned after each use.

Earmuffs require a perfect seal around the ear. Glasses, long sideburns, long hair, and facial movements such as chewing may reduce the protective value of earmuffs. You may purchase special earmuffs designed for use with eyeglasses or beards.

IF I PROVIDE EMPLOYEES WITH HEARING PROTECTION, CAN THEY THEN WORK IN AREAS WITH ANY LEVEL OF NOISE FOR ANY PERIOD?

No. Hearing protectors reduce only the amount of noise that gets through to the ears. The amount of this reduction is referred to as attenuation. Attenuation differs according to the type of hearing protection used and how well they fit. The hearing protectors you choose must be capable of achieving the attenuation needed to reduce the employee's noise exposure to within the acceptable limits. Estimating the attenuation of a particular hearing protector based on the device's noise reduction

EH&S will determine proper hearing protection.

Summary

Many factors must be considered when selecting PPE to protect your employees from workplace hazards. With all of the types of operations that can present hazards and all of the types of PPE available to protect the different parts of a worker's body from specific types of hazards, this selection process can be confusing and at times overwhelming. Because of this, a PPE program to help you systematically assess the hazards in the workplace and select the appropriate PPE that will protect your workers from those hazards.

Information taken for OSHA 3151 1977, Assessing the Need for Personal Protective Equipment.

Job Briefing

The purpose of a job briefing is simply to look at the work plan, assess and correct hazards, assign tasks, address any issues, and ascertain that everyone at the jobsite understands their task.

Trial and error is not the way to figure out a job plan. Employees who are too "in a hurry " to perform this simple task are the most hazardous conditions at the worksite!

When the plan changes during the day it is a good idea to communicate the changes to everyone on the crew -- In doing so, everyone is kept up to date and less likely to make errors.

As a supervisor, you are a leader. Employees look to you for direction and communication. The way in which you approach safety in your workplace influences the employees on your crews. As the leader you are responsible for the safety of your employees but ultimately, it is each employee who must hold themselves accountable.

Safe work procedures are learned skills, and like any other skill, they need to be practiced. Job briefings need to be practiced before they become smooth and simple too. At first employees may feel uncomfortable, but as they become aware that it helps the job run smoother, they will become more at ease. Whether there are crews or a single person working a job, a briefing can be performed effectively.

Conducting the Job Briefing

The Supervisor, crew leader, or other person in charge of the operation should conduct the job briefing. Make every effort to hold the briefing in an area where distractions are minimal. (not next to running machinery etc.) Have paper and pencil handy. It is very important that all employees be able to recognize and identify hazards at the jobsite. It is the leader's responsibility to point them out.

A person who cannot identify hazards should not conduct the briefing.

ELEMENTS OF A JOB BRIEFING

Hold the briefing at the jobsite

Explain the job at hand

Assign specific tasks to employees.

Make sure that everyone is qualified and possesses the proper skill of the assignment.

Don't assume knowledge and skill level.

Do a hazard assessment to identify obvious or potential hazards

Identify the need for personal protective equipment

Know emergency numbers/first aid kit location etc.

Identify any hazards that might be created by the job itself

Make sure that everyone knows the job assignments.

The more complex the job, the more important it becomes to make sure that everyone at the briefing understands.

Allow for employee questions, suggestions, and comments pertaining to the job or assignments. Keep comments focused.

If the plan changes significantly, conduct another briefing.

Accidents

An Unforeseen, Unpredictable and Unplanned event or Circumstance (Webster)

ACCIDENTS DON'T "JUST HAPPEN" they are caused.

Campus Facilities can offer to our employees the best safety program in the country, but without employee "buy-in" the program will fail. Training, upgrades of equipment, technology, safer policies and procedures, are only tools of accident prevention. Employee attitudes and behaviors guide the ultimate success of effective accident prevention and a sound safety program.

An understanding of human nature when dealing with accident prevention is helpful but not as important as your own attitude toward safety. The essential position and task of the supervisor is observation. Walk around, keep your eyes open, correct unsafe conditions as you go about your day to day tasks. The procedure should begin with *your* commitment to safety. When attitudes change eventually behaviors change. Who best to begin the process but YOU!

Leadership and Accidents. Good leaders are made not born: A supervisor must

Inspire workers

Create teamwork

Set an example

Keep employees informed

Must have realistic goals

Must understand the diversity of the employees

A KEY TO UNDERSTANDING HOW ADULTS LEARN IS TO REALIZE SOME BASIC FACTS

The following is based on Malcolm Knowles, characteristics of adult learners

Adults are self-directed they need to be free to direct themselves

Adults come with life experiences

Life experiences

Prior education

Family responsibilities

Adults are goal oriented they have a goal in mind when they take classes

Adults need relevancy they must see the need/reason for learning

Adults are practical knowledge must relate to their work etc.

Adults need to be respected

As a supervisor you are expected to instill in your employees the goals and requirements of the University. Safety and safe work practices are included.

Accident Investigations / Reviews

Accident prevention is the key to eliminating possibility of injury to employees and property loss to the University.

In most cases, the Safety Coordinator conducts the *investigation*, with the supervisor as a participant. *Accident Reviews*, will be completed by the supervisor. Direct supervisors are familiar with employee's work environment & assigned tasks. The Supervisor is the person who must take the accident situation under control and immediately eliminate or control hazards to others.

When an accident occurs

Provide First Aid for any injured persons.

Eliminate or control hazards

Document the accident scene to determine the cause

Interview the witnesses immediately.

Complete an accident report

Forward report to C.F. Human Resources

Investigating an accident

The form helps the supervisor:

Define the accident review

Descriptions of accident

Events prior to the accidents

The accident

What abnormalities (if any) occurred

The sequence of events

Most probable cause

Full Investigative Procedures

Lost Time/ Serious Accidents/ Potentially Fatal/Fatal

Accidents are usually complex. Any accident can easily have 10 or more events leading up to it. The basic causes of an accident are Direct and Indirect. An example of direct cause would be if someone was electrocuted. The DIRECT cause are unsafe conditions or unsafe acts leading to the accident. Indirect causes are symptoms. Some indirect causes are poor management procedures, policies, decisions etc.

When accident investigations are to take place, the supervisor will be a participant and observer. The safety coordinator and other members of management, safety committee, and workforce will be present. The Accident Investigation is more formal and in-depth than the Accident Review.

The Supervisor and the Accident Review

As a supervisor, you will be required to fill out the following accident report and review:

Report of Injury

Check Box if this is a Near Miss

Days You Work Per Week _____

Time of Day Work Began _____ a.m./p.m.

EMPLOYEE SECTION: (Use back of page for additional comments.)

Name:	SSN:	Department:
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Date of Incident:	Time:	A.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	P.M. <input type="checkbox"/>	Location:	Body Part/s:
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Task You Were Doing:	What Injured You?
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<input type="checkbox"/> No Treatment	<input type="checkbox"/> First Aid Only - Who gave you treatment? <input type="checkbox"/> Self <input type="checkbox"/> Supervisor <input type="checkbox"/> Other Employee	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Treatment - Where? <input type="checkbox"/> E.R. <input type="checkbox"/> Urgent Care
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Incident Type:

<input type="checkbox"/> Slip, Fall - Same Level <input type="checkbox"/> Slip, Fall - Different Level <input type="checkbox"/> Caught In, On, or Between <input type="checkbox"/> Abrasion / Cut / Puncture	<input type="checkbox"/> Overexertion - Strains / Sprain <input type="checkbox"/> Struck By or Struck Against <input type="checkbox"/> Burn - Chemical or Heat <input type="checkbox"/> Contact with Electrical Current	<input type="checkbox"/> Inhalation <input type="checkbox"/> Ingestion <input type="checkbox"/> Absorption <input type="checkbox"/> Bites / Stings	Exposure to: <input type="checkbox"/> Temperature Extremes <input type="checkbox"/> Chemicals <input type="checkbox"/> Dusts / Particles
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Comments:

***** Thanks for reporting your injury, please sign and date this and give it to your immediate supervisor today. *****

Injured Signature/Date: _____

SUPERVISOR SECTION:

Incident / Accident Cause:

<input type="checkbox"/> Lack of Knowledge, Experience, or Skill <input type="checkbox"/> No PPE Available <input type="checkbox"/> PPE Available But Not Used * Understood the Risk <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	<input type="checkbox"/> Human or Physical Limitation <input type="checkbox"/> Faulty Tool or Equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Unguarded Machine * Understood the Hazard <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Hazardous Condition - What? _____	

Hazardous Condition Beyond Your Control – Explain? _____

Corrective Action:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended employee see a doctor. | <input type="checkbox"/> Provided PPE. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Provided training (date) _____. | <input type="checkbox"/> Replaced / Repaired equipment. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Posted warning signs. | <input type="checkbox"/> Counseled employee (date) _____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fixed identified hazard. | <input type="checkbox"/> Will schedule employee for training
_____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment taken out of service and tagged. | <input type="checkbox"/> Requested repairs from: _____. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Will fix identified hazard by (date)
_____. | <input type="checkbox"/> Will send hazard information to my superior. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (Explain in space provided or on back.) | <input type="checkbox"/> None. |

Additional information or comments:

SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE AND DATE:

Conducting Safety Meetings

First Thing Monday Morning is a great time to get your employees together; shake off the weekend, and help them focus on the week ahead.

What better way to start the week than with a short safety meeting.

Safety meeting should have pertinent information. Example: accidents that have occurred in the area., Hazards that might exist, Safety concerns of the workers, Items that might have to be taken to the departmental safety committee for review. Topics on new tools or a new procedure. Any number of things can be discussed in those meetings.

Formal meetings have their place in a safety program but the most effective meetings are those conducted at the jobsite(briefing) or those short weekly meetings.

There is much discussion about the difference of safety meetings and safety training.....Both have their place in the safety program, and both can help to heighten safety awareness and prevent accidents. HOWEVER, it should NEVER be the responsibility of the supervisor to provide safety training. It takes some doing to plan a class or training session. It takes practice, it takes expertise, and it takes a "gottawanna" attitude. (Ya gotta wanna) Those supervisors that enjoy the training part of the job may look forward to developing a one hour program occasionally. However, most of us would rather not.

There is a time and place for training. There is also a time and place for the safety meeting....."never together" and never interchangeably.