

# Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

## Sun Hat

Use a full wide brim sun hat and neck cover for outdoor work even in winter or when it's overcast. Use the hard hat adjustment when wearing a hard hat outdoors.

## Eye Protection

Safety glasses (both tinted and non tinted) protect you from flying objects when working within close distance to powered machinery and equipment. The tinted safety glasses protect your eyes from UV radiation.

## Sunscreen

Australia has the highest rate of skin cancer in the world. Sunscreen is provided to all our employees to protect you from the sun's harmful UV radiation. Slop it on frequently, especially when working outdoors.

## Hand Protection

Protective gloves are included in your PPE kitty for general purpose jobs such as handling sharp objects, or maintenance tasks to avoid cuts and abrasions to your hands and fingers. If you are handling chemicals your host employer will supply the appropriate protection.

## Equipment

When using any type of equipment ensure you do so with the necessary safety shields in place and in accordance with manufacturers' guidelines.

## Work Boots

All apprentices are required to wear steel toe cap boots on all worksites. Replace your boots\* when they start to show wear and tear or when the steel cap becomes visible.

\*1300 apprentice will reimburse you the cost of your boots to the value as per your relevant award. Presentation of original receipt required.

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## Hard Hat

Don't ignore the hard hat signs on construction sites. It is an offence under the Occupational Health and Safety Act to ignore hard hat signs. The hard hat is there to protect you from falling objects which you may not see.

## Ear Protection

Ear muffs should always be worn in any noisy work environment.

## Dust Masks/Respiratory Gear

Dust masks protect your respiratory system from mechanically generated particles or dust. If you are working in situations where there is exposure to gas and vapours then you may also require respiratory gear and filter cartridges. Speak to your field officer to obtain this specialist equipment.

## Clothing

Protective clothing is provided for all apprentices. Long pants and long sleeved shirts protect your arms and legs on worksites from sun exposure and flying objects. High vis safety vests are also supplied.

## Fall Arrestors (Harness)

If you are working at heights, fall arrestors may need to be used. This equipment is supplied by your host employer. If you require further information on Working from Heights please contact your field officer or our WH&S Manager.

If you are uncertain about any of the information on this poster please contact our WH&S Manager

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