

Safety Talk: Safety Glasses/ Eye Protection

Background Info

This talk can be used by industry or construction supervisors to explain to workers why they must use safety glasses and how to use them correctly. For more information see:

<http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/personalprotectiveequipment/index.html>

OSHA Requirements

- Remember, Personal Protective equipment such as safety glasses, is always a “last resort” to protect worker safety and health, we would rather remove the risk of eye injury if possible.
 - OSHA requires employees working in areas where there is potential for eye injury to wear eye protection, including side-shields.
 - OSHA requires employees who wear prescription lenses to either wear protective goggles over their glass, or to wear glasses with protective lenses.
 - OSHA requires that safety glasses be kept clean and in good repair.
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Our Company Requires

Here the supervisor should remind workers about their own safe eye protection requirements. Be sure to include the following info:

- When and where eye protection are required
 - If eye protection will be provided
 - Who to tell when your eye protection are worn or damaged
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Basic Safety Rules

Here is a list of recommended practices. Be sure to add any others required by your company.

- Always wear safety glasses when cutting, drilling, or using any hand tools, powered or manual.
 - Safety glasses that are hanging around your neck do not provide any protection unless worn over your eyes.
 - Keep your safety glasses clean and store in a clean place
 - Always inspect your safety glasses before you put them on
 - Some jobs require a full face shield as well as eye protection to perform the work such as grinding or cutting metal. Check with your supervisor prior to starting work to make sure you have the proper protection.
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What's Wrong?



Yes, I Was Listening

Sign below if you can tell everyone on this worksite:

- 1) Why we wear safety glasses
- 2) When to wear safety glasses, and
- 3) About the basic safety rules for safety glasses:

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