



BASIC EYE SAFETY



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Introduction

Every day roughly 1,000 eye injuries occur in American workplaces. Nearly all of these could have been avoided by following safety guidelines and using appropriate protective eyewear.

Wearing proper eye protection is one of the best things you can do to protect your eyes and eyesight. After all, it only takes one accident to cause partial or permanent blindness.

Recognizing Eye Hazards

Approximately 70% of accidents result from **FLYING OR FALLING OBJECTS, PARTICLES OR SPARKS**. Most of these are smaller than a pinhead and are moving faster than a thrown object.

Another 20% of injuries result from **CONTACT WITH CHEMICALS**, such as fumes or splashes.

Other accidents are caused by **OBJECTS SWINGING** from a fixed or attached position and impacting the eye area.

Finally, some injuries result from **HARMFUL LIGHT RAYS OR RADIATION**, as involved in welding.

Use the Appropriate Safety Glasses

Our facility requires the use of industrial safety glasses with side shields at all times on the Manufacturing floor. Safety glasses and side shields can be obtained from either the Safety Director or Front Desk at each facility.

Make sure your safety glasses fit properly and are comfortable.

PRESCRIPTION GLASSES, NON-SAFETY:

If you wear prescription glasses which are not industrial safety glasses, then you must wear protective eyewear with side shields over your glasses. Regular prescription glasses do not provide adequate protection.

PRESCRIPTION SAFETY GLASSES:

If your prescription safety glasses lack side shields, then you must add them while on the Manufacturing floor.

Maintenance of Safety Eyewear

Keep your safety glasses and side shields clean and in good condition.

Store them in a clean, dry place.

Replace faulty eyewear immediately. Scratches and cracks interfere with vision and weaken the glasses' ability to withstand impact or splashes.

Emergency First Aid

Do NOT rub the eye -- this will increase damage to delicate eye tissues.

For all eye injuries, ***SEEK MEDICAL ATTENTION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.***

IMMEDIATE FIRST AID:

If chemicals or specks enter the eye, then flush with water for 15-20 minutes.

For cuts, punctures, or objects stuck in the eye, do NOT try to remove the object. Cover and stabilize both eyes and see a doctor immediately.

For impacts to the eye area, apply a cold compress without pressure.

***INDUSTRIAL SAFETY GLASSES WITH SIDE SHIELDS
ARE REQUIRED AT ALL TIMES
ON THE MANUFACTURING FLOOR!***

Safety glasses are not required in the front offices,
in engineering offices, or in designated break areas.



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Conclusion

This concludes Basic Eye Safety Training.

For more information, please consult either
your supervisor or the Safety Director.

Don't forget to complete and submit the quiz to Human Resources!

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