

# Need to Know- PPE Construction

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- x Employers must:
  - o Assess workplace
  - o Eliminate and reduce hazards using engineering and administrative controls
  - o Provide appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE)
  - o PPE is the last level of control
- x Use Head Protection to protect from:
  - o Falling objects
  - o Bumps against fixed objects, such as exposed pipes or beams; or
  - o Accidental contact with electrical hazards.
- x Use Eye/Face Protection to protect from:
  - o Airborne dust
  - o Flying particles
  - o Harmful chemicals
  - o Intense light
    - f Welding
    - f Lasers
- x Use Hand/Arm protection to protect from:
  - o Severe cuts or lacerations
  - o Severe abrasions
  - o Punctures
  - o Chemical and thermal burns
  - o Harmful temperature extremes
- x Use Foot & leg protection to protect from:
  - o Heavy objects
  - o Sharp objects
  - o Molten metal
  - o Hot surfaces
  - o Slippery or wet surfaces
  - o Electrical hazards
- x Body protection such as coveralls, chaps and impermeable full body suits, etc. may also be necessary depending on specific hazards
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