

PPE USE

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is intended to protect you from risks, which cannot be eliminated or guarded against by other more effective means. PPE is an equipment that is intended to be worn or held by a person at work to protect them against risk to their health or safety. For example, safety helmets, gloves, eye protection (safety glasses), high visibility clothing, safety footwear and safety harnesses.

IMPORTANCE

PPE is important as it takes all the reasonable steps to eliminate or reduce risks. If they decide that some risk remains, they must provide you with PPE.

REGULATIONS

The main requirement of the PPE at work is that personal protective equipment is to be supplied and used at work wherever there are risks to health and safety that cannot be controlled in other ways.

PPE

The PPE below is not an exhaustive list; PPE determination depends on the risk that a scope of work is exposed.







GUIDANCE

- You must wear any PPE provided by Tasman and they must see that you do.
- You must wear and use the PPE in the way it was intended.
- If PPE does not fit correctly, report it.
- You must take care of the PPE and not abuse it.
- If you are unsure about how to use PPE (e.g., breathing apparatus) ask for training first. You must be trained.
- If there is anything wrong with the PPE provided (e.g., worn out, broken, missing, in need of maintenance or cleaning etc, you must report it.
- Make sure multiple items of PPE worn together are compatible with each other.
- If you know of any problem regarding PPE or a risk that you need guarding against, report to your Supervisor / Manager.

SUMMARY

PPE is the last line of defence against a risk or a hazard. Make sure PPE fits you properly and is in good working order.