

Maintaining PPE

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PPE is the last defense against hazards, and should be properly maintained!

Inspecting PPE

Wear and tear often goes unnoticed until *after* a failure or incident occurs.

Hard Hats

Look for dents, cracks, or discolouration, which could indicate material weakening.



Gloves

Examine seams and surfaces for punctures, thinning, or weakening.



Harnesses

Inspect buckles, stitching, and webbing for signs of fraying or stress.



Hi-Vis Clothing

Check the visibility strips for fading and cracking, and ensure that all velcro/zippers are still functioning properly.



Safety Glasses

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Steel-toed boots

Check the soles, laces, and body for wear, make sure the steel toe is in good shape.



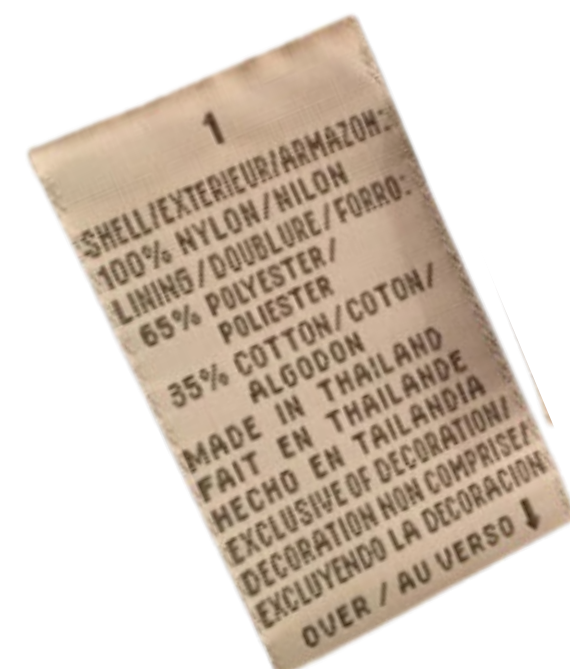
Store Equipment Properly

Improper storage is one of the leading causes of premature PPE wear. Exposure to extreme temperatures, sunlight, or moisture can degrade materials and make them less functional.

- Keep PPE in a dry, ventilated area sheltered from direct sunlight.
- Use designated storage racks or bins to avoid piling items on top of each other.
- Ensure chemical-resistant wear is stored away from volatile substances that may cause damage.

Wash PPE with care:

When washing PPE, make sure to follow the care instructions on the label. In general, try to avoid harsh detergents, high heat drying, and ironing.



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