



Risk Assessment Personal Protective Equipment

Prior to works commencing

1. Where there is a risk to Health and Safety, which cannot be effectively controlled by any other means, suitable Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) must be used.
2. Some risks will always be present requiring the use of PPE to control them.
3. Safety helmets must be worn at all times in 'Hard Hat Areas' or where there is a risk of head injury.
4. Safety shoes or boots - suitable protective footwear must be worn at all times by all Staff
5. Suitable protective clothing is required when working outdoors in adverse weather conditions. As a minimum all staff shall wear protective jacket and trousers as depending on what is appropriate for the tasks being carried out
6. High visibility jacket or vest should be worn when required.
7. Protective gloves of the correct type are required if handling sharp, tough or coarse materials. Other hazards requiring gloves are thermal, chemical and vibration situations.
8. Eye or face protection is required where there is a foreseeable risk of injury i.e. pruning, using power tools generally. Persons nearby may also need protection. Goggles must be worn when using any type of gardening machinery.
9. Hearing protection must be used where noise levels cause discomfort or where signs indicate they should be worn. Persons nearby may also need protection.
10. Respiratory Protective Equipment (RPE) must be used where harmful fumes, dust or vapours could be inhaled.
11. Barrier cream may be required for some tasks and in some circumstances.
12. Provide fire extinguishers where appropriate.

Hazards

1. As indicated above.

Harm

1. Minor cuts, amputation, stab wounds, fatality from blood loss, falls or electrocution.
2. Respiratory problems, musculoskeletal injuries, dermatitis, eye injuries.

Persons at Risk

1. Staff.
2. Others in vicinity e.g. passers-by.

Control Measures

1. Utilisation of PPE.