



Eye Safety

Damage to the eye has the potential to impact eyesight, therefore it is important that they are protected from hazards in order to avoid injury

The Right Protection:

- Ensure your eye protection is rated and suitable for the assessed risks in the task
- Use Dynamic Risk Assessments / 20 second scans of the environmental and operations conditions.
- Upgrade your eye protection to match an upgrade in risk.



Check out the Step Change in Safety Eye Campaign for more information, films and posters

<https://www.stepchangeinsafety.net/resources/eye-safety/>



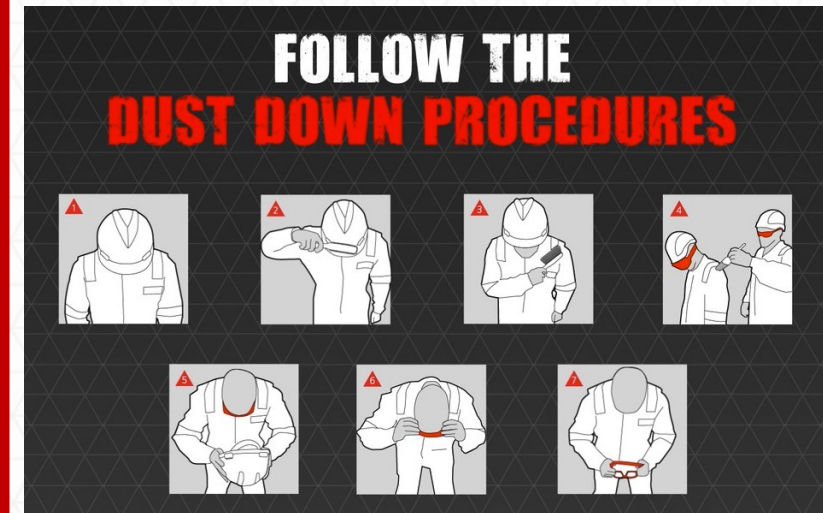
The Right Fit:

- Ensure you are wearing eye protection that best fits your face.

The Right Removal:

- PAUSE – THINK, prior to doffing PPE or entering tea shack / locker room area

‘I should be dusting down here, to mitigate foreign bodies potentially entering my eyes.’



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Incorrect eye protection selected

- An employee was carrying out routine maintenance on a vessel.
- The task changed to include paint chipping.
- A few hours after the job was completed, they reported a pain in their eye to their Supervisor.
- He had a small piece of debris in his eye, the medic attempted to flush it out but was unsuccessful.
- The employee had to visit hospital to remove the object from their eye.

The employee was wearing safety glasses which were relevant to the routine maintenance work, however the change of task to chipping would have required a change of safety glasses to safety goggles.

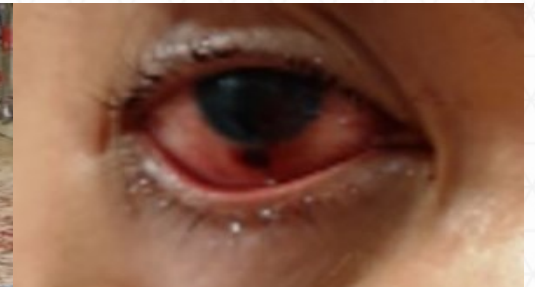
How do you ensure that you have the right eye protection for the task?

DISCUSS



Eye injury whilst opening paint tin

- An employee became injured when attempting to open a paint tin with a screwdriver.
- Whilst trying to prys open the lid, the screwdriver sprung upwards and went underneath the safety glasses and hit just under the individuals eye.
- This resulted in penetration of the eye with potential for loss of sight.



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