



SAFETY BRIEF

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT GLOVES

Think of everything you do that requires the use of your hands. What would happen if you suffered an injury that made those tasks difficult or impossible? Your hands are one of your most valuable tools, which is why it's important to keep them protected.

SAFETY TIPS

- Use the correct type of personal protective equipment (PPE) for the job
- Make sure safety guards are in place on equipment
- Wipe away debris in your workstation with brushes instead of your hands
- Avoid using your hands to complete tasks that are meant to be done with a tool
- Properly store heavy materials to prevent them from falling
- Use tools and ergonomic positions that keep your wrists straight
- Avoid wearing loose-fitting clothing and jewelry
- Take short breaks to rest your hands and stretch your fingers
- Keep a first aid kit available to treat cuts, scratches and bruises
- Alternate between tasks to prevent repetitive stress injuries



4 TYPES OF GLOVES

1. **Leather, canvas and metal mesh** protect against sparks, moderate heat, cuts, abrasions and rough objects. These gloves also provide insulating protection.
2. **Fabric and fabric coated** protect against dirt and cuts. These gloves are used for tasks such as handling bricks, wires or chemical containers.
3. **Chemical and liquid resistant** prevent injuries from fuels, corrosive acids, strong bases, alcohols, grease and oils. They are usually temperature resistant, tear resistant and flexible. The thicker the glove material, the greater chemical resistance.
4. **Insulating rubber** protects from electrical shock.



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