

Gloves



Toolbox Talk #22

Why do gloves matter?

Working in this industry puts you at risk for many hazards, one of the key dangers you come in contact with are hand injuries. Every task you engage in requires the usage of your hands, which makes it very likely for them to be injured. It is important that you wear the proper gloves for each task so you can avoid cuts, scratches, burns and any other possible injury. Listed below are some protective gloves and when they should be used.



•Cotton and Fabric Gloves

- These can keep hands clean and protect against abrasions, but may not be strong enough to handle work with rough or sharp materials.



•Rubber, Plastic or Synthetic Gloves

- These types of glove can be used when cleaning or working with oils, solvents and other chemicals.



•Leather Gloves

- These should be used when welding, as the leather can resist sparks and moderate heat. The risk of cuts and abrasions also can be minimized by wearing leather gloves.



•Aluminized Gloves

- These gloves are recommended for welding, furnace and foundry work, as they provide reflective and insulating protection.



•Kevlar Gloves

- These have a wide variety of industrial applications. They are cut- and abrasion-resistant and provide protection against both heat and cold.



•Neoprene Gloves

- These gloves help protect against hydraulic fluids, gasoline, alcohols and organic acids.



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