

SAFETY AWARENESS

Brief Topic Safety Refresher Training For Associates

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Safety Glasses

Your eyes are one of the most vulnerable parts of your body, and with all of the possible hazards that exist in the roofing industry, it's very important to take the necessary measures to protect them. Eye injuries can be life-changing events. Losing your sight, or even having it limited or lessened, can drastically lower your quality of life and even make you unable to work.

The Safeguards of Safety Glasses

Safety glasses are a form of personal protective equipment (PPE) that are designed to protect your eyes from a variety of potential hazards. Regular glasses do not offer the same level of protection and should not be considered a suitable substitute at any time due to their lack of:

- Side shields/side protection
- Impact-resistant lenses, often made of polycarbonate
- Impact-resistant frames



Employees who require corrective vision equipment can be accommodated in one of the following ways:

- Use of prescription safety glasses that meet American National Standards Institute (ANSI) standards and also properly correct vision
- Use of safety glasses that can fit comfortably over regular glasses without disturbing alignment

When to Wear Safety Glasses

- Use of safety glasses that can incorporate corrective lenses mounted behind the outer, protective lenses

In order to be considered safety glasses, the equipment in question must comply with ANSI. You can tell if your safety glasses are up to code by checking for a "Z87" marking.

