

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

There are various health and safety hazards at workplaces. Exposure to hazards should be minimized in order to eliminate injuries and fatalities. Many accidents at workplaces occur as a result of contact with chemical, radiological, physical, electrical, mechanical and other hazards. Personal Protective Equipment are the tools to be used for minimizing the consequences of exposure to a hazard.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE) IS THE LAST LINE OF DEFENSE



EMPLOYERS

Specify physical and health hazard

Employer should estimate hazard assessment

Train workers about PPE

Employer should specify when and how to use, store and clean the PPE

Provide suitable PPE

Employers should provide suitable PPE and replace PPE if these equipment are damaged

Evaluate the effect of PPE program

Employer should regularly monitor the effectiveness of PPE



EMPLOYEES

Receive proper training before using PPE

Attend the training and ask how to properly use the PPE

Wear PPE in the correct way

Employee has the responsibility to wear PPE in the correct way

Pay attention to maintain PPE

Clean and store your PPE after each use

Do not use PPE that is damaged

Communicate with your employer

Communicate with your employer if the PPE are not effective

Reduce work related illness and injuries by developing PPE program. There are different types of PPE including special application and usage and needing various requirements

