

Face Shields

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Eye and face protection is extremely important but often taken for granted. Remember to always wear protection for your eyes and when needed also for your face to avoid a potentially permanent injury. Hazards where face protection may be required are found when doing tasks like:

- Welding
- Grinding with hand-held or heavy duty table grinder
- Pouring, washing with, or spraying chemicals or materials
- Operating a chainsaw

OSHA Standard 1910.133(a)(1) *The employer shall ensure that each affected employee uses appropriate eye or face protection when exposed to eye or face hazards from flying particles, molten metal, liquid chemicals, acids or caustic liquids, chemical gases or vapors, or potentially injurious light radiation.*

Never risk danger to your face and eyes even for just a few minutes of welding, cutting, or grinding. The damage can happen quickly and be permanent! Always wear face and eye protection that is designed for safety protection and rated as required by OSHA regulations.

OSHA Standard 1910.133(b)(1) *Protective eye and face protection devices must comply with... American National Standards Institute ANSI/ISEA Z87.1-2010.*



- Safety glasses aren't always enough – sometimes you need both the **safety glasses to protect your eyes AND a face shield to protect your face.**
- Always follow the manufacturer's recommendations for the specific face shield.
- Use the type of face shield suited for the specific task.
- Mesh face shields are great for cutting tasks where large particles could strike your face.
- Clear plastic/acrylic shields are better for tasks where small particles, splattering, or sparks could strike the face.

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