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STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

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SOP 617

Protective Eyewear

PURPOSE OF THIS STANDARD

The purpose of this standard is to establish requirements for personnel to wear protective eyewear when there is a risk of injury or exposures to their eyes.

SECTION I -GENERAL USAGE

All personnel are required to wear their issued protective eyewear (safety glasses or goggles). Personnel may wear personally owned protective eyewear that has been inspected by their supervisor and meets ANSI Z87 requirements. Prescription glasses can be worn if they meet ANSI Z87 requirements, but the department will not supply the lenses.

SECTION II – APPLICATIONS

All personnel shall wear protective eyewear while engaged in any activity that would potentially expose the eyes to a foreign matter, or a substance that could harm the eyes or cause an exposure of the eyes to blood or other types of body fluids. If an SCBA is being worn, the SCBA face piece is considered sufficient to meet the requirements of this standard.

SECTION III -RESPONSIBILITIES

It is the responsibility of each individual to wear protective eyewear. It is also each supervisor's responsibility to ensure that all personnel under their charge adhere to the requirements of this standard.

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