

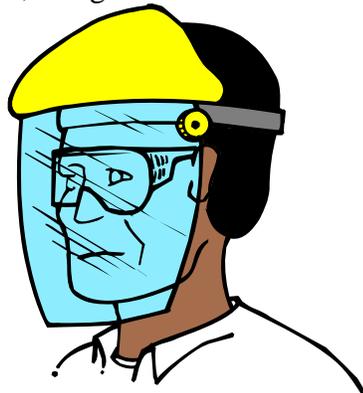
### Eye Safety

Each work day, more than 2,000 employees sustain job related eye injuries. Of these, 10 to 20 percent will be disabling due to a temporary or permanent vision loss. Eye injuries are present within many occupations and can lead to scratches of the eye, vision loss, disability and even blindness.

Up to 90 percent of all job-related eye injuries can be prevented thru the use of proper eye protection. Eye protection can be simple safety goggles that are worn like normal glasses. Prescription safety glasses are available through an eye doctor for those who need to wear safety glasses on a regular basis but have a vision impairment.



For other occupations, using a full face shield or a welding mask for eye protection may be appropriate.



You only have two eyes – let's make sure that you take care of them by using the proper and/or required personal protective equipment.

Eye wash stations and/or showers are required by OSHA at any work site where there is a risk or chemical injury to the eyes and/or skin. If employed at one of these sites, make sure that you know not only the location of the eye wash station or shower, but how to use the facility. If you do not know where eye wash stations are located, or how to use it – ASK your manager or supervisor.

**Remember Safety is No Accident!**

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