

REGULATION

A. Eye Protection Devices

1. The following types of eye protective devices must be worn by all pupils, staff members, and visitors (including persons attending evening adult school programs) participating in the activity or process designated wherever it may occur on school premises:

Potential eye hazard

Protective devices

Caustic or explosive

Goggle, flexible fitting, materials hooded, ventilation; add plastic window face shield for severe exposure

Dust producing

Goggle, flexible fitting, operations hooded ventilation

Electric arc welding

Welding helmet in combination with spectacles with eye cup or semi- or flat-fold side shields

Oxy-acetylene welding

Welding goggle, eye cup type with tinted lenses; welding goggle, coverspec type with tinted lenses or tinted plate lens

Hot liquids and gases

Goggle, flexible fitting, hood ventilation; add plastic window face shield for severe exposure

Hot solids

Clear or tinted goggles or spectacles with side shields

Molten materials

Clear or tinted goggles and plastic or mesh window face shield

Heat treatment or tempering

Clear or tinted goggles or clear or tinted spectacles with side shields

Glare operations

Tinted goggles; tinted spectacles with side shields or welding goggles, eye cup of coverage type with tinted lenses or plate lens

Shaping solid materials

Clear goggles, flexible or rigid body; clear spectacles with side shields; add plastic window face shield for severe exposure

Laser device operation

Appropriate for specific or experimentation hazard

Repair or servicing of vehicles

Clear goggles, flexible or rigid body; clear spectacles with side shields

Other potentially eye hazardous
Processes or hazard

Appropriate for specific activities

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2. The supplier of any eye protective device to this district shall certify in writing that the device meets or exceeds ANSI standards. All spectacle type eye protective devices shall have side shields of the eye cup, semi-, or flat-fold type.
3. Teachers shall regularly and frequently inspect the eye protective devices used in their classes and shall report to the principal devices that are defective or poorly fitting. All eye protective devices shall be identified with the name(s) of the user(s) and shall be properly stored when not in use.
4. An eye protective device that is shared shall be disinfected between uses by a method prescribed by the local school medical inspector.
5. The use of contact lenses shall be restricted in learning environments which entail exposure to chemical fumes, vapors or splashes, intense heat, molten metals, or highly particulate atmospheres. Staff members in these learning environments shall identify the pupils in his/her class who wear contact lenses. A list of such pupils shall be kept by the staff member in order that appropriate emergency eye care may be given; the list shall be destroyed at the end of the course of study.

When permitted, contact lenses may be worn only in conjunction with appropriate eye protective devices.

6. A pupil who wears prescription glasses shall be provided with an appropriate eye protective device that fits over his or her glasses or may purchase prescription eye protective devices through the school office. A pupil or staff member may wear his or her personal corrective eyewear in the course of an activity hazardous to the eyes provided that the eyewear has been certified in writing by a licensed optician to meet or exceed ANSI standards for the appropriate eye protective device required.
7. The responsible staff member will provide each visitor to an area in which an activity hazardous to eyes is conducted with an appropriate eye protective device.

B. Eye wash fountains

1. Eye wash fountains or similar devices, capable of minimum of fifteen minutes of continuous flow of eye wash solution shall be provided in accordance with Policy No. 7432 and the standards of the State Department of Education.
2. Eye wash fountains shall be routinely checked by the responsible teacher and any fountain that does not operate properly shall be promptly reported to the principal.

C. Enforcement

1. Staff members shall not permit pupils to engage in an activity potentially hazardous to the eyes without appropriate eye protection and shall dismiss from the class period a pupil who refuses or persistently neglects to wear eye protection or to observe established eye protection practices. Any such dismissed pupil shall be reported absent for the class.
2. Staff members shall report to the building principal a visitor who refuses or persistently neglects to wear eye protection or observe established eye protection practices.

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3. The principal shall annually inspect the school premises for the existence of conditions potentially hazardous to the eyes, for the placement of signs requiring appropriate eye protective devices, and for an adequate supply of appropriate eye protective devices in satisfactory condition. Conditions potentially hazardous to the eyes include, in addition to the activities listed in ¶A1 above, the likelihood of flying objects and spilled liquids and the presence of protruding and sharp objects.

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