



EYE & FACE PROTECTION

SCOPE

This guideline shall apply to all members of the Stoney Point Fire Department and shall be adhered to by all members.

PURPOSE

To establish departmental standards on face and eye protection during hazardous operations.

DEFINITIONS

American National Standards Institute – (ANSI) private non-profit organization that oversees the development of voluntary consensus standards for equipment, gear, clothing, and systems utilized by public safety organizations

Guideline - a general rule, principle, outline of a policy

Member – any career, volunteer, staff, and auxiliary personnel affiliated with the department

Shall - indicates a mandatory requirement

GUIDELINES

Stoney Point Fire Department members perform assignments that pose hazards to their faces and eyes. Therefore, the department requires that members wear appropriate and approved eye and face protection whenever exposed to potential hazards. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring compliance with this guideline. These hazards include but are not limited to the following:

- Working with chemical agents such as solvents and cleaning products
- Using power tools
- Working in high particulate areas, such as dust or debris causing activities
- Operating around flying sparks
- Working around irritating fumes or steam
- Welding
- Any activity deemed a face or eye hazard by the member or Officer

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Face and Eye Protection

All Stoney Point Fire Department members shall be trained on when and how to use appropriate face and eye protective equipment prior to being tasked with any potential hazardous assignment. All face and eye protection equipment shall be regularly cleaned and inspected by the user and stored in a convenient location. The following is a list of the approved face or eye protection types:

- ANSI Z87.1 approved face shield
- ANSI Z87.1 approved goggles
- ANSI Z87.1 approved safety glasses with side protection
- ANSI Z87.1 approved full face piece respirators
- ANSI Z87.1 approved welding helmet or goggles
- MSA XF1 Fire Helmet (eye protection or full-face shield)
- ANSI Z87.1 approved prescription safety glasses (with or without side protection)

References

29 CFR 1910

NFPA 1500

ANSI Z87.1

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