

## Tool Box Talk

## **Eye Protection**

## Tradesmen International Eye Protection Safety Tips

- Make sure safety eyewear is in good condition.
- Make sure safety eyewear fits right and stays in place.
- Always brush, shake, or vacuum dust and debris from hardhats, hair, forehead, or your brow before removing protective eyewear.
- 4. Don't rub eyes with dirty hands or clothing.
- 5. Clean eyewear regularly.

If you have a near miss or incident story, please feel free to submit it to thomas.marrero@ tradesmeninternational.com One of the greatest assets we have in life is our eyes, giving us the ability to see. What would it be like not to see loved ones or the colors and wonders of the world. Take a moment, close your eyes and feel the darkness. It's a scary feeling not being able to see.

There are over 2,000 eye injuries that occur every day at work in the US and the trades has one of the highest eye injury rates due to the nature of jobsite conditions that can often become dusty and windy. Eye injuries can result from just simply walking through an area and that is why it is so important to protect ourselves. Whether we use engineering controls or Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) it is imperative we protect ourselves.

Safety glasses are the most common protection that we use and Tradesmen International's Safety Policy requires that we have them on **100**% of the time. Safety glasses can greatly reduce eye injuries when worn appropriately. One of the most common answers given by construction workers with eye injuries when asked why weren't you wearing safety glasses; I didn't think I needed them.

Remember, safety glasses are only good if you wear them. If you keep them in your pocket or on top of your hard hat they won't do the job that they were made for.

## **OSHA 10 Hour Course**

As more and more clients and jobs are requiring this course be completed, it is imperative to complete it. Tradesmen International offers this course to all of it's employees so please take advantage of this opportunity, as it could prohibit placement of your future job assignment.

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To report an unsafe jobsite condition or actions, contact your National Safety Director 1-800-SAFETII (723-3844)

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