

Ethanolamines/Glycol Ethers Tier 3 Procedure

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Glove Policy

1.0 Objective

1.1 The intent of this policy is to clearly define the block's requirements when to use hand protection.

2.0 Responsibility

2.1 It is the responsibility of each individual to ensure that the appropriate hand protection is being used when work is being performed.

3.0 Safety Notation

3.1 Wearing gloves in some cases may hinder job performance or create a greater hazard to the job task. In these cases, alternative means needs to be considered. If an alternative is not deemed necessary then the safest avenue of job completion must be done.

4.0 Policy

4.1 Gloves must be used while performing hands-on work unless the wearing of the glove would hinder the performance of the job task or create a greater hazard. Examples of activities where glove use is not normally advised due to possible increase in hazard are:

- working with rotation equipment in operation.
 - inspecting pumps while on line
 - pipe threading machine
 - stationary bench grinder
 - drill press
- operating equipment
 - driving forklift, manlift, rig, or block truck
- working with small parts
 - working on instruments
 - operating switches

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- climbing a fixed metal ladder or similar access way
 - portable tanktruck ladder
 - extension ladder

Specialty gloves may be required for certain high risk jobs (chemical exposure, high vibration, heat, or flame etc.). The type of gloves to be used for specific jobs will be stated by the safe work permit, procedure, or by supervision. The types of gloves and examples of uses for Blk. 55 are:

Leather Gloves are preferred for most job task unless stated otherwise by safe work permit, procedure, or by supervision. Examples of jobs are:

- operation of wrenches, valves
- removing/installing aluminum insulation
- any lifting, supporting, or moving of equipment/materials

Cotton Gloves may be worn for low hazard jobs or jobs where the may become covered with oil, grease, or paint and be immediately discarded after use. Examples of jobs are:

- changing oil in equipment
- painting

Cotton gloves may be used for the same jobs as leather gloves unless stated otherwise.

Rubber Gloves must be used in jobs where the hazards of chemical contact exists. Examples of jobs are:

- catching samples
- acidizing equipment
- decontaminating equipment

Electrical Gloves 15kv (Class 2) rated rubber gloves with leather protectors shall be used when operating any electrical switches on 2300 VAC and above. Examples of jobs are:

- racking in/out 2300 VAC switchgear in the motor control center

Maintenance being performed beyond racking of switches in or out will be performed by the electrical group.

Metal Mesh Gloves If work is to be done where the use of knives or sharp edges exists then metal mesh gloves should be considered to minimize cuts. Examples are:

- use of knives to strip wiring
- handling broken glassware