**Protective Clothing, Equipment and Devices**

**21.** (1) A worker shall wear such protective clothing and use such personal protective equipment or devices as are necessary to protect the worker against the hazards to which the worker may be exposed. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 21 (1).

(2) A worker’s employer shall require the worker to comply with subsection (1). O. Reg. 213/91, s. 21 (2).

(3) A worker required to wear protective clothing or use personal protective equipment or devices shall be adequately instructed and trained in the care and use of the clothing, equipment or device before wearing or using it. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 21 (3).

**22.** (1) Every worker shall wear protective headwear at all times when on a project. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 22 (1).

(2) Protective headwear shall be a safety hat that,

(a) consists of a shell and suspension that is adequate to protect a person’s head against impact and against flying or falling small objects; and

(b) has a shell which can withstand a dielectric strength test at 20,000 volts phase to ground. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 22 (2).

**23.** (1) Every worker shall wear protective footwear at all times when on a project. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 23 (1).

(2) Protective footwear shall be a safety shoe or safety boot,

(a) with a box toe that is adequate to protect the wearer’s toes against injury due to impact and is capable of resisting at least 125 joules impact; and

(b) with a sole or insole that is adequate to protect the wearer’s feet against injury due to puncture and is capable of resisting apenetration load of 1.2 kilonewtons when tested with a Deutsche Industrie Norm standard pin. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 23 (2); O. Reg. 345/15, s. 3.

**24.** A worker shall use protection appropriate in the circumstances when there is a risk of eye injury to the worker. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 24.

**25.** A worker shall use protection appropriate in the circumstances when there is a risk of injury on a project from contact between the worker’s skin and,

(a) a noxious gas, liquid, fume or dust;

(b) an object that may puncture, cut or abrade the skin;

(c) a hot object, hot liquid or molten metal; or

(d) radiant heat. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 25.

**27.** (1) Despite subsections 26.1 (1) and (2), if the following conditions are met, a worker shall wear a lifejacket or other personal flotation device that is adequate:

1. The worker is exposed to a risk of drowning on a project.

2. It is not reasonably possible to install a guardrail system as subsection 26.1 (1) requires.

3. It is not reasonably possible to protect the worker adequately by means of a fall protection method as subsection 26.1 (2) requires. O. Reg. 443/09, s. 3 (1).

(2) If a worker may drown at a project,

(a) at least two workers trained to perform rescue operations shall be available to perform rescue operations;

(b) rescue equipment shall be provided in a suitable location on or near the project; and

(c) all workers on the project shall be advised of the rescue procedures to be followed and their role, if any, in carrying out arescue. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 27 (2).

(3) The rescue equipment shall include,

(a) a seaworthy boat equipped with a lifebuoy attached to a buoyant heaving line not less than 15 metres in length and a boat hook; and

(b) Revoked:  O. Reg. 443/09, s. 3 (2).

(c) an alarm system capable of warning a worker of the necessity of carrying out a rescue operation. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 27 (3); O. Reg. 443/09, s. 3 (2).

(4) The boat shall be power-driven if the water is likely to be rough or swift. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 27 (4).

(5) The alarm system shall be activated when a rescue operation is necessary. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 27 (5).

(6) Revoked:  O. Reg. 443/09, s. 3 (3).

### Hygiene

**28.** (1) A reasonable supply of potable drinking water shall be kept readily accessible at a project for the use of workers. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 28 (1).

(2) Drinking water shall be supplied from a piping system or from a clean, covered container with a drain faucet. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 28 (2).

(3) Workers shall be given a sanitary means of drinking the drinking water. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 28 (3).

(4) Workers shall not be required to share a common drinking cup to drink water. O. Reg. 213/91, s. 28 (4).

**Dust Control**

**59.** If the dissemination of dust is a hazard to a worker, the dust shall be adequately controlled or each worker who may be exposed to the hazard shall be provided with adequate personal protective equipment. O. Reg. 145/00, s. 19.

**60.-63.** Revoked:  O. Reg. 628/05, s. 2.

**DESIGNATED SUBSTANCE — ASBESTOS ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS AND IN BUILDINGS AND REPAIR OPERATIONS**

**Respirators**

**13.**(1) A respirator provided by an employer and used by a worker in a Type 1, Type 2 or Type 3 operation,

(a) shall be fitted so that there is an effective seal between the respirator and the worker’s face, unless the respirator is equipped with a hood or helmet;

(b) shall be assigned to a worker for his or her exclusive use, if practicable;

(c) shall be used and maintained in accordance with written procedures that are established by the employer and are consistent with the manufacturer’s specifications;

(d) shall be cleaned, disinfected and inspected after use on each shift, or more often if necessary, when issued for the exclusive use of one worker, or after each use when used by more than one worker;

(e) shall have damaged or deteriorated parts replaced prior to being used by a worker; and

(f) when not in use, shall be stored in a convenient, clean and sanitary location.  O. Reg. 278/05, s. 13 (1).

(2) The following additional requirements apply to a respirator of the supplied air type:

1. The compressed air used for breathing shall meet the standards set out in Table 1 of CSA Standard Z180.1-00, Compressed Breathing Air and Systems (March, 2000).

2. If an oil-lubricated compressor is used to supply breathing air, a continuous carbon monoxide monitor equipped with an alarm shall be provided.

3. If an ambient breathing air system is used, the air intake shall be located in accordance with Appendix B of the standard referred to in paragraph 1.  O. Reg. 278/05, s. 13 (2).

(3) If respirators are used in the workplace,

(a) the employer shall establish written procedures regarding the selection, use and care of respirators; and

(b) a copy of the procedures shall be provided to and reviewed with each worker who is required to wear a respirator.  O. Reg. 278/05, s. 13 (3).

(4) A worker shall not be assigned to an operation requiring the use of a respirator unless he or she is physically able to perform the operation while using the respirator.  O. Reg. 278/05, s. 13 (4).