



EYE & FACE PROTECTION SOG

SCOPE

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

PURPOSE

The purpose of this standard is department member's safety and health, this document is established for the wearing of proper eye and face protection while performing operations where there is a reasonable chance of injury.

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REFERENCES

Current edition of the national Fire Protection Association's 1500 Standard on Fire Department Occupational Safety & Health Program.

Current edition of the North Carolina Fire & Rescue Commission Department Occupational Safety & Health Program for fire departments and rescue squads, Subpart, Fire Protection, Section protective clothing and protective equipment, eye and face protection.

Current edition of the American National Standard Institute's (ANSI), standard for occupational and educational eye and face protection.



DEFINITIONS

SHALL - Indicates a mandatory requirement.

STANDARD OPERATING GUIDELINES (SOG) - Documents that help establish how an organization will operate and how its members are expected to carry out specific duties outlined in general terms.

GUIDELINES

The department shall provide members with proper eye and face protection in accordance with OSHA 1910.133, Eye & Face Protection.

Members may purchase personal eye protection that meets the OSHA standard for eyewear.

Eye and face protection consists of but is not limited to:

ANSI.Z 87.1 – 1989 compliance safety glasses

PROCEDURE

Eye and face protection is to be worn by all persons, including visitors when exposed to possible hazards to the eyes and/or face.

Proper face and eye protection will be worn while performing any operation where flying particles constitute an eye hazard.

Chemical goggles, a face shield or other appropriate shielding will be utilized when working where corrosive materials may be splashed or spilled.

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Safety glasses with side shields and/or face shield will be used when a member is executing any procedure that presents a reasonable opportunity for the occurrence of an eye injury outside of a safety glasses area.

Safety glasses and/or goggles will not be used for fire fighting unless approved by ANSI or NFPA.

The shield on a turnout helmet and face piece of a SCBA provides eye and face protection during fire fighting situations. **Note: Face shields are for secondary eye protection only.**

The wearing of contact lenses will be allowed for members handling, transferring, or processing corrosive liquids, if eye protection is worn.

Prescription safety glasses are allowed if they meet ANSI requirements.

All department members will be trained in the proper use of the appropriate eye and face protection.

- Eye and face protection will regularly be cleaned and inspected by the user.
- Eye and face protection will be stored in a convenient and clean location.

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