



Prescription Safety Eyewear Standard

1.0 PURPOSE

This standard supports the Personal Protective Equipment Policy and specifies the requirements when purchasing prescription safety eyewear.

2.0 DEFINITIONS

2.1 Prescription Safety Eyewear

Prescription eyewear that meets the CSA Z94.3-02 standard for lens thickness, penetration resistance and side shields.

2.2 Occupational Vision Care (OVC) Program

Program by which employees have access to prescription safety glasses guaranteed to meet this standard.

2.3 Current Eye Exam Prescription

An eye exam is current when it is less than two years old.

3.0 METHOD / PRACTICE

3.1 Selection

- Prescription safety eyewear shall meet the requirements of CSA Z94.3-02 and employee's current eye exam prescription.
 - Where possible, all safety frames shall have a minimum fitting depth of 24mm below pupil center. For those who have smaller features, attempt to fit with as much coverage as possible.
 - Safety frames shall have detachable or permanent side shields.
 - Safety lenses shall be Plastic or Polycarbonate
 - Hi Index lenses are allowed providing sphere and cylinder when added together are greater than 6 dioptres and they are currently worn in dress glasses. Lenses shall not be less than 3mm center thickness.
 - Safety lenses shall be treated with a scratch coating.
 - Safety lenses tinting shall not exceed a 30% density when required.

3.2 Provisioning

- Prescription safety eyewear shall be acquired through the Occupational vision Care Program and reimbursed by SaskPower as per the registration unit's reimbursement process.
- Prescription safety eyewear shall be stamped with CSA Z94 on arm or bridge of glasses and have rigid, form fitting side shields.

4.0 REFERENCE

- *The Saskatchewan Occupational Health and Safety Regulations, 1996*
 - Part VII – Personal Protective Equipment
- SaskPower (located on SafetyNet)
 - Personal Protective Equipment Policy
 - Job Hazard Assessment Policy



- Hazard and Risk Assessment Standard
- SaskPower Eye and Face Protection Standard
- Safety Briefing # 10: Occupational Vision Care Program
- Safety Rulebook
- OVC Authorization Form and Letter (Exhibit A and on SafetyNet)
- CEP Local 649 Collective Bargaining Agreement
- IBEW Local 2067 Collective Bargaining Agreement
- 3RD Party Standards:
 - CSA Z94.3-02 Eye and Face Protectors
 - CSA Z94.3-02 Protective Eyewear - A Users Guide