| Bath Township Fire Department | | | Standard Operating Guideline | |
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| **Section** Safety | **Referral No.** S-13 | **Subject:** Protective eyewear | **Date Issued** 04/03 | **Date Revised** 3/08 |

## Purpose:

- To provide guidelines for proper protective eyewear use at structural fire incidents and other rescue incidents.

## Scope:

- This standard operating guideline shall apply to all personnel.

## Responsibilities:

- Officer
  - All officers will ensure that personnel will be properly attired in protective equipment for a structure fire, rescue or emergency medical response.
- Personnel
  - All personnel have the responsibility of following officer's directions at an emergency incident.
  - All personnel have the responsibility of wearing proper safety equipment and operating in a safe manner.

## Equipment:

- All personnel will be issued protective safety glasses that meet ANSI Z87.1 standards.
- Protective safety glasses or goggles will be considered primary eye protection.
- Helmet shields and Bourke eye shields are considered secondary eye protection.

## Guidelines:

- **Safety is always our first priority**
- **If in doubt whether protective eyewear is needed, wear it!**
- Any personnel engaged in an activity that will produce flying material, shall wear primary and secondary eye protection.
- Structural firefighting SCBA mask will constitute primary eye protection and helmet shields or Bourke eye shields will provide secondary eye protection.
- All non-department issued protective eyewear will meet ANSI Z87.1 standards.
- Prescription eyewear may not meet ANSI Z87.1 standards.
- Those personnel wearing prescription eyewear will need additional primary eye protection.
- **Refer to "PPE – Structural Firefighting" and "PPE – EMS"**

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