COVID-19 – Cloth Face Coverings

Purpose

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) advises the use of simple cloth face coverings to slow the spread of the coronavirus and help people who may have the virus, and do not know it, from transmitting it to others.

• Wear a mask when social distancing cannot be maintained, including:
  • To and from the jobsite – carpool, bus stop & train station
  • To and from the the work area - elevator lobby, elevators, hoists & lifts, stairways, hallways and corridors
  • Common areas, tool lock up, breakrooms, staging and clean-up areas, and work areas
• Surgical masks and N95 respirators are in short supply and should be reserved for healthcare workers or other medical first responders.

Only use N95 masks when required as PPE for a work task.

Proper Wear

• Snug fit, but comfortable against side of face
• Have ties or ear loops that are snug fit to ensure they cannot be caught in tools
• Have multiple layers of fabric
• Will not restrict breathing

Sanitation

• Routinely wash coverings depending on how often they are used
• Material should be able to be machine cleaned/dried without damage
• Do not touch eyes, nose, and mouth when removing covering and wash hands immediately afterwards

Based on CDC guidelines current as of 4/4/2020. For additional information, please visit: https://www.cdc.gov/