

Personal protective equipment (PPE) is anything used or worn by a person to minimise risk to the person's health or safety and includes a wide range of clothing and safety equipment. PPE includes boots, face masks, hard hats, ear plugs, respirators, gloves, safety harnesses, high visibility clothing etc.

As with many other businesses a car wash operation requires thoughtful planning around keeping all staff and customers safe. Below is a suggested list of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). Some of these items may be supplied by staff members (e.g. sunglasses), others will need to be made available by the car wash owner for all staff members to use. Assessment of your car wash facility, using guidelines from Safe Work Australia is highly recommended and this list should only be used as a guideline.

- ✓ Dust mask
- ✓ Safety glasses with side shields
- ✓ Full face shield
- ✓ Cloth work gloves
- ✓ Long length chemical protective gloves (e.g PVC)
- ✓ Rubber gum boots
- ✓ PVC apron
- ✓ Sunscreen
- ✓ Sunglasses
- ✓ Sunhat
- ✓ Flouro safety vest / Flouro safety shirt

NB: Please ensure PPE is checked regularly for wear and defects. Worn or faulty items should be replaced immediately.

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