



HARD HATS

are a type of helmet. Through interior suspension bands, hard hats help protect the head from impact with fixed or falling objects. Without the hat, impact could result in potential cuts, lacerations, bruises, strains (especially to the neck), or electrical shock. Bump caps should not be used in place of a hard hat, unless otherwise specified. Caps will only protect the crown of the head from bumping into fixed objects. Hard hats are largely worn in industrial and construction settings, but are recommended in other tight areas.

REQUIRED EXAMPLES:

- Areas with potential falling or flying objects
- Areas with overhead / multi-level work
- Construction sites
- Operating a chainsaw
- Operating an aerial lift (boom and scissor)
- Operating heavy equipment
- Some confined spaces
- Utility tunnels (bump caps allowed in some areas)

RECOMMENDED EXAMPLES:

- Areas with low supports or ceilings
- Attics
- Crawlspace
- Under staircases
- Under low hanging duct work or pipes
- Some mechanical rooms

WHAT TO DO!

- Wear a hard hat in required and recommended areas! If unsure, ask your supervisor.
- Replace damaged or broken hard hats.
- Pay attention for potential overhead hazards!
- Report any injuries to your supervisor immediately!
- In an emergency, call **911** and **UOPD** (541-346-2919) for immediate assistance



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Keep hard hats in good repair! Replace when broken!



Pay attention for overhead fixed or falling objects!

