PPE Category Level Chart 2015

Hearing protection (ear canal inserts)

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Arc-Rated Clothing, Minimum Arc Rating of 4 cal/cm²
Arc-rated long-sleeve shirt and pants or arc rated coverall
Arc-rated face shield or arc flash suit hood
Arc-rated jacket, parka, rainwear, or hard hat liner (AN)
Hard hat
Safety glasses or safety goggles (SR)

Heavy duty leather gloves and leather footwear (AN)



Category 2

Arc-Rated Clothing, Minimum Arc Rating of 8 cal/cm²
Arc-rated long-sleeve shirt and pants or arc rated coverall
Arc-rated flash suit hood or arc-rated face shield and arc rated balaclava
Arc-rated jacket, parka, rainwear, or hard hat liner (AN)
Hard hat
Safety glasses or safety goggles (SR)
Hearing protection (ear canal inserts)

Heavy duty leather gloves and Leather footwear (AN)



Category 3

Arc-Rated Clothing Selected so That the System Arc Rating Meets the Required Minimum Arc Rating of 25 cal/cm²
Arc-rated long-sleeve shirt (AR) and arc rated pants (AR)
Arc-rated coverall (AR) and arc-rated flash suit jacket (AR)
Arc-rated arc flash suit pants (AR) and arc-rated arc flash suit hood
Arc-rated gloves, arc-rated jacket, parka, rainwear, or hard hat liner (AN)
Hard Hat, Safety glasses or safety goggles (SR)
Hearing protection (ear canal inserts)



Category 4

Arc-Rated Clothing Selected so That the System Arc Rating Meets the Required Minimum Arc Rating of 40 cal/cm²
Arc-rated long-sleeve shirt (AR) and arc rated pants (AR)
Arc-rated coverall (AR) and arc-rated flash suit jacket (AR)
Arc-rated arc flash suit pants (AR) and arc-rated arc flash suit hood
Arc-rated gloves, arc-rated jacket, parka, rainwear, or hard hat liner (AN)
Hard Hat, Safety glasses or safety goggles (SR)
Hearing protection (ear canal inserts)



AN: as needed (optional), AR: as required, SR: selection required. NFPA 70E 2015 Table 130.7(C)(16) Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)



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