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8.10.1 Requirements.

The Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992 requires the STRPS to consider the use of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) where its staff & volunteers are at risk of personal injury whilst undertaking a task on the railway which cannot be mitigated by other means eg guarding, local exhaust ventilation etc.

PPE should always be considered as the last resort once any other means of mitigating these risks have been considered.

8.10.2 Arrangements.

Appropriate personal protective equipment is issued to all STRPS staff & volunteers as required for work activities where its use is identified as a necessary control measure following risk assessments or COSHH substance assessments.

Examples of PPE issued by STRPS are rubber/vinyl gloves, hi viz orange waistcoats or jackets, face masks, ear defenders etc.

Examples of PPE provided by volunteers themselves are protective footwear, overalls, trousers or jackets etc.

Training is provided for STRPS staff & volunteers on the correct use, storage and maintenance of the relevant equipment when first issued.

Where Respiratory Protective Equipment has been issued as a control measure, this will be subject to a fit test at the time of issue and subsequently at regular intervals. STRPS staff & employees are trained in how to perform a daily fit test where appropriate.

STRPS staff & volunteers have a legal duty to wear or use PPE as specified in relevant Health and Safety rules and procedures.

To be clear a hi viz orange jacket or waistcoat must be worn when trackside.

Any defects or malfunction of PPE must be reported to the DOM / Responsible Person.


8.10.3 Dress Code

Volunteers are expected to dress in a way that gives a safe and professional image of the railway. Different roles have different requirements but the wearing of clean “traditional” railway uniforms or STRPS corporate clothing in public facing roles is encouraged.

The wearing of shorts and t-shirts as outer garments is forbidden and arms and legs should always be covered.

8.10.4 Applicable Legislation.

Personal Protective Equipment at Work Regulations 1992.

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8.10.5 References.

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8.10.6 Documentation.

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