

Tool/Job Specific PPE Requirements & Safety Rules

Karson Builders Ltd. requires that all tools be used in the safest manner possible and that all tools property of Karson Builders or used on a Karson Builders site be used in accordance to the safety policies PPE requirements. This guide does not supersede manufacturer's recommendations. If there are any questions about the PPE required for a tool on or off the list ask your supervisor.

CSA 'Green Triangle' safety boots are mandatory PPE at all times on all Karson Builders Ltd. job sites. Following Personal Protective Requirements is the responsibility of the worker using the tool and the workers in the immediate vicinity. Do not use a tool that you are unfamiliar with. If you are unsure about the PPE required for any tool be sure to ask someone who knows. If you do not have the PPE available for the tool, do not use it.

- [Air compressor](#) – CSA safety glasses and gloves required for any fastening tool, using compressed air to blow dust or debris from hair, skin or clothes is strictly prohibited.
- [Angle grinder](#) – CSA safety glasses/face shield or goggles and gloves required for any job involving an angle grinder or for any persons working within the reasonable vicinity of an angle grinder. Long sleeves or Kevlar pull-up sleeves recommended.
- [Belt sander](#) – CSA safety glasses required. NOISH approved dust mask for areas without proper ventilation.
- [Ceramic tile cutter](#) tile saw – CSA safety glasses and safety gloves required at all times, to be used by a competent worker only.
- [Chainsaw](#) – CSA safety glasses and/or CSA approved safety face shield. Ear plugs recommended, but to be used with attention to the users surroundings. Long sleeves and gloves to be worn at all times. Inspect chain before using.
- [Circular saw](#) – CSA safety glasses to be worn by user. Tool to be used only by competent workers. Circular saw is a leading tool for serious worker injuries, use with attention and caution. Never cut material off hip or freehand.
- [Concrete saw](#) – CSA safety glasses to be worn. Ear plugs and gloves.
- [Drill](#) – CSA safety glasses to be worn for drilling and boring wood or metal. Use caution.
- [Floor sander](#) – CSA safety glasses and ear plugs required. NOISH filter to be used when required.
- [Grinding machine](#) – CSA safety glasses to be used at all times in addition to the machines guards.
- [Heat gun](#) – Fire retardant gloves required. Keep fire extinguisher available and near by.
- [Jackhammer](#) – CSA safety glasses required along with ear plugs.
- [Jigsaw](#) – CSA safety glasses required.
- [Miter saw](#) – CSA safety glasses required.

- [Nail gun](#) (electric and battery as well as powder actuated) – CSA safety glasses and gloves required. Do not hold material in any way that driven nail may strike hands. If a nail becomes lodged in any part of the body do not remove it until you seek medical assistance.
- [Powder-actuated tools](#) – CSA safety glasses and ear plugs required at all times. Make sure tool is in working condition before using.
- [Radial arm saw](#) – Using a Radial arm saw on any Karson Builders Ltd. job site is prohibited.
- [Random orbital sander](#) – CSA safety glasses and dust mask.
- [Reciprocating saw](#) – CSA safety glasses and gloves required.
- [Rotary tool](#) – CSA safety glasses required. Use caution while using.
- [Scrollsaw](#) – CSA safety glasses required. Keep fingers from the blade at all times.
- [Steel cut off saw](#) – CSA safety glasses and/or CSA safety face shield. Use gloves and do not handle material until it has had a chance to cool from cutting process.
- [Table saw](#) – CSA safety glasses required. Use a dust mask if cutting material leaves a debris in air. Table saws account for more serious injuries in Canada than any other tool. Never push material between blade and fence by hand. Never let go of the material while in saw.
- [Thickness planer](#) – CSA safety glasses and dust mask. Keep hands well clear of blades.
- [Trimmer](#) – CSA safety glasses.
- [Wood router](#) – CSA safety glasses required. Wood routers cause serious injuries each year, use only as directed under manufacturers guidelines and by a competent worker.