

Chapter 2 Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

Maintain PPE in a clean and fully functional condition (see FSH 6709.11, 21.13).

Table 2-Non-fire PPE requirements for saw use

PPE	Chain Saw Operations	Crosscut Saw Operations
Hard Hat	Hard hat or cutting helmet meeting ANSI Z89.1	Same as chain saw
Safety Glasses	ANSI Z87.1 (clear safety glasses, at a minimum) or equivalent (mesh "bug-eye" type or mesh face shield type) (OSHA 1910.266(d) (1) (vii) (B) Note)	Same as chain saw
Hearing Protection	Hearing protection required for gasoline powered chain saw use	None required
Gloves	Gloves or chain saw mitts are required for all chain saw operations. Leather required for sharpening. Alternative style of gloves may be used for inclement weather conditions, based on JHA.	Same as chain saw
Shirt, Pants²	Long sleeved shirt and long pants	Long sleeved shirt and long pants.
Leg Protection	Chaps or cut-resistant pants for chain saw use shall meet the requirements of Forest Service 6170-4 or ASTM F-1897 (current version). Chaps shall overlap boots at least 2".	None required
Boots	Cut-resistant or leather, laced 8 inch (204mm) high boots that provide ankle support and nonskid soles (hard toes are optional). OPTIONAL-Use JHA to determine proper footwear for the environment and/or related tasks.	Cut-resistant or leather, laced boots that provide ankle support and nonskid soles (hard toes are optional). Use JHA to determine proper footwear for the environment and/or related tasks..
Specialized PPE	Wear additional PPE as identified by local conditions, safety data sheets (SDS), or JHA/RA	Same as chain saw

Table 3-Fireline PPE requirements for saw use³