

POLICY
RI SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

USE OF PROTECTIVE EYE DEVICES

Purpose

To promote the health and well-being of students and employees.

Policy

In accordance with [RI Gen. Laws § 16-21-15 \(Eye Protective Devices\)](#), every student and teacher in any of the courses dealing with the subjects listed below shall be required to wear approved eye protective devices at all times while participating in the courses or laboratories. The devices shall be furnished by the schools to all students, teachers, and visitors to the following classrooms and laboratories:

- 1) Vocational or industrial arts shops or laboratories involving experience with:
 - i) Hot molten metals;
 - ii) Milling, sawing, turning, shaping, cutting, grinding, or stamping of any solid materials;
 - iii) Heat treatment, tempering, or kiln firing of any metal or other materials;
 - iv) Gas or electric arc welding;
 - v) Repair or servicing of any vehicle;
 - vi) Caustic or explosive materials;

- 2) Chemical or combined chemical-physical laboratories involving caustic or explosive chemicals or hot liquids or solids.

The administration shall obtain approval of the safety devices from the Rhode Island Director of Labor and Training in accordance with the regulations and standards assuring the use of devices that will protect the eyes of teachers, pupils, and visitors against injury from foreign substances.

Reference

[RI Gen. Laws § 16-21-15 \(Eye Protective Devices\)](#)

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