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Safe Work Practice

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Possible Hazards Present

Working at heights	Working in confined spaces	Risk of eye injury	Slips, trips and falls
Risk of injury from falling objects	Exposure to moulds, fungi and bacteria	Exposure to paint products, solvents, lead and other toxic substances	Proximity to flammable or combustible materials

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Devices Recommended

Head protection	Eye Protection	Foot protection	Fall Arrest Equipment
Respirator Equipment	Skin Protection	Hearing Protection	

What are some good general safe work practices?

- **DO** ensure barricades and warning signs are in place.
- **DO** ensure lines are identified.
- **DO** determine if the soil the hydrovac is working in is contaminated by hazardous substances or not.
- **DO** ensure you do not stand near edge of excavation.
- **DO** keep all unnecessary personnel and equipment out of the area the hydrovac is working in.
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