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Safe Work Practice

Name of Job: Using Cleaning solvents	Development Date: March 17th, 2011	Developed By: CSNS
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Possible Hazards Present

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

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and Devices Recommended

Head protection	Eye Protection	Foot protection	Skin Protection
Respirator Equipment	Skin Protection		

What are some good general safe work practices?

- **DO** ensure all WHMIS requirements are met.
- **DO** check toxic hazards of all solvents before use. (M.S.D.S.)
- **DO** ensure that when breathing hazards exists, the appropriate respiratory protection is used.
- **DO** Use non-flammable solvents for general cleaning.
- **DO** Store flammables and solvents in special storage containers/areas.
- **DO** Ensure that proper containers are used for transportation, storage and field use of solvents/flammables.
- **Do not** use solvents in areas where food may be contaminated.

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