SAFETY MOMENT!

RUBBER INSULATING GLOVES

Rubber insulating gloves are primarily used for protection against electrical shock and burns. Rubber insulating gloves must be electrically tested before first issue and every six months thereafter; and, upon failing a pre-use inspection, after repair, and after use without protectors. First issue is the date the new gloves are removed from their original, manufacturer's packaging. Gloves that have not been issued may sit on the shelf for up to 12 months before they must be retested or replaced.

Examples

- Warehouse receives new gloves rubber insulating gloves with a test date of January 1st.
 - If the gloves are not issued, they will expire on December 31st and will require testing or replacement.
- The gloves are issued to an employee on February 1st.
 - o The gloves will expire and require testing or replacement on August 1st.

Rubber insulating gloves must be visually inspected and air tested prior to each use to identify defects or embedded objects. A visual inspection and air test must also be done whenever the gloves may have been damaged during use.

What to Do

- Visually inspect and air test rubber insulating gloves prior to use and whenever there is a reason to believe they may have been damaged during use.
- Wear leather protectors over rubber insulating gloves. If rubber insulated gloves are used without protection, they must be retested or replaced.
- Write the issue date on each rubber insulating glove.
- Replacement gloves should be ordered prior to expiration.



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Leather protectors over rubber insulating gloves

