

Airside Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Requirements

Hobart Airport is committed to delivering and maintaining the highest levels of safety and security to ensure the safety of all parties working, volunteering, or visiting areas under Hobart Airports' control.

As a minimum, Hobart Airport mandates the wearing of the following when within the Airside area of the airport:

- a high visibility garment (vest) that complies with Australian Standards;
- enclosed footwear that is suitable for the work being undertaken; and
- hearing protection that complies with Australian Standards when operating in areas outline within this document.

Responsibilities:

All employers of persons working airside must ensure that their employees are provided with adequate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), the provision of which must be based on an associated risk assessment. In addition, the PPE should be maintained to ensure that it remains fit for purpose, and its use should be monitored and enforced by the employing company as necessary.

Mandatory Requirements:

High visibility clothing

- High Visibility garments are to be worn in the outbound baggage reclaim areas, on all airside grassed areas, on the runway and taxiways, on and around the aprons including the airside road if it is being used as a workplace. Drivers of vehicles are to wear high visibility garments, whenever they are in these locations outside of the protection of the vehicle cabin.
- Persons working in airside offices and/or enclosed work areas need not wear high visibility clothing when proceeding to or from their work areas whilst using the delineated walkways or when inside these areas.
- Passengers need not wear high visibility clothing when transiting between an aircraft and the terminal building using the delineated walkways or when boarding/disembarking a coach, whilst under the supervision of cabin or ground handling staff.
- To maintain the highest level of visibility, the garments must be kept clean, serviceable and be replaced as soon as the high visibility properties deteriorate.
- Aircrew and cabin staff proceeding to or from their aircraft or conducting pre/post flight walk rounds and ground handling or cabin staff supervising passengers are NOT exempt from these requirements

Hearing Protection

Hobart Airport recognises that working in the vicinity of aircraft and equipment such as mowers, front-end loaders, and some power tools can expose a person to a level of noise that could damage hearing.

It is therefore a requirement that all persons should be in possession of hearing protection and that it is worn whilst in the vicinity of aircraft which have their engines / Auxiliary Power Unit's running or any other equipment which may be emitting harmful levels of noise.

Employers of persons operating airside at Hobart Airport must assess the risk to employees hearing and have in place safe systems of work which ensure that this risk is minimised.

Safety Footwear

Safety footwear is to be worn if a need is identified as a result of an associated risk assessment.