# **BEST PRACTICES** QUICK FACTS

## EFFECTIVE AGENCY/COMPANY POLICIES ARE THE CRITICAL FIRST STEP TOWARDS SUCCESSFUL FIRE INVESTIGATOR HEALTH AND SAFETY PRACTICES

#### MINIMUM SAFETY ITEMS **TO PREVENT HARM**



HELMET Protects from falling objects and falls.



GOGGLES Help shield eyes from particulates.



HEARING PROTECTION Guards ears from damaging noise levels.

RESPIRATOR Preserves the health of one's respiratory system.



**PROTECTIVE CLOTHING** 

Prevents absorption of

harmful substances.



Keeps skin safe from harmful substances.

BOUIS Protects legs and feet from hot surfaces and punctures.

GLOVES

Wearing proper PPE for the situation will help you LIVE A LONG LIFE!

## WAYS THAT YOU CAN BE HARMED

#### INHALATION

Breathing in particulates, harmful gasses and vapors.

#### INGESTION

Eating/drinking without removing PPE (or not even wearing it) and washing.

#### **ABSORPTION**

Toxic substances may enter the body through the skin.

#### DIRECT CONTACT

Physical contact with hazards or harmful substances.

### INJECTION

Puncture wounds from many potential sources.

#### STORE OR TRANSPORT

**STORE OR TRANSPORT** Contaminated items of any kind in the passenger compartment of your vehicle.



#### FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION