

# Protective Clothing Materials

Protective clothing comes in a variety of materials, each effective against particular hazards.

## Paper-like fiber



Used for disposable suits, provide protection against dust and splashes.

## Treated wool and cotton



Adapts well to changing temperatures, is comfortable, and fire-resistant and protects against dust, abrasions and rough and irritating surfaces.

## Duck



Protects against cuts and bruises when handling heavy, sharp or rough materials.

## Leather



Often used to protect against dry heat and flames.

## Rubber, rubberized fabrics, neoprene and plastics



Protect against certain chemicals and physical hazards. When chemical or physical hazards are present, check with the clothing manufacturer to ensure that the material selected will provide protection against the specific hazard.

Employee should consult with their supervisor before making any selection. For further selection criteria or questions, please contact Environmental Health & Safety at (252) 328-6166