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Facilities Management Soldering Safe Work Instructions	Responsible Unit: Facilities Management	Revisions:
Service: Trades Services	Shop: Access Control	

## Hazards Identified:

Heat, fumes, hot objects, fire

## **Personal Protective Equipment Required:**

Safety footwear, safety goggles or glasses, safety gloves, fire extinguisher

## Training Required:

Proper Operation of Soldering Equipment

These safe work practices must be followed at all times and are to be reviewed annually.

- 1. Only properly trained, competent, employees are allowed to operate this equipment.
- 2. DO NOT use this equipment for any purposes other than those intended by the manufacturer.
- 3. Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for use and maintenance.
- 4. Required PPE must be worn at all times during the operation of this equipment.
- 5. Ensure that you have recently reviewed the MSDS for all hazardous substances.
- 6. Ensure that adequate ventilation is available and used the entire time soldering is performed.

- 7. Do not solder near flammable / combustible materials or move all such materials well away from the work area.
- 8. Ensure that a fire extinguisher is available in the work area.
- 9. Always pay close attention to where you place you hands and fingers when soldering.
- 10. Always inspect the work area for smoldering materials or other indications of possible fires.
- 11. Ensure that hot metals are identified to protect others working in the area.
- 12. Ensure that persons not involved in the soldering process stay well back from the work area.
- 13. Do not overheat base metals.
- 14. Do not wear open toed or fabric type shoes.
- 15. Do not wear loose fitting clothing, jewelry or have long hair hanging loose when soldering.