



## Safe Work Procedure

### Boot Grippers

Department and Program: Physical Plant Trades and BSWs

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*This Safe Work Procedure must be reviewed any time the task, equipment, or materials change and at a minimum every three years.*

**DO NOT perform this procedure until you have been appropriately trained and authorized to do so.**

#### Required Training

Read and understand this safe work procedure

#### Required Personal Protective Equipment and Devices



CSA Approved Safety Footwear Required

#### Potential Hazards

- Slip and falls

#### Pre-Operational Safety Checks

- Inspect the grippers to be used and make sure they are in good condition

#### Prohibited Activities

- No horseplay
- **DO NOT WEAR INDOORS**
- No for use on gravel concrete or sanded roads cleared of snow.

#### Safe Work Procedure

1. Install the grippers while sitting down.

**CAUTION: The improper use of installation of the gripper could result in injury**

2. Bring your foot over your knee. Make sure the label on the heel tab is facing out.
3. Hook the front of the gripper over the tow of your shoe and stretch to cover the sole
4. Securely fasten the heel tab to the back heel of your shoe
5. Check both sides for your shoe to make sure the perimeter of the gripper is securely in place on the sides of your shoe
6. Pull the performance strap over your foot. Loop it under the main band of the gripper through the guide loop. Bring the strap over the top of your foot and fasten securely.

**CAUTION: Avoid surfaces such as marble floors, or any non-icy, non-snowy surfaces when wearing the grippers.**

7. Always remove the grippers while sitting down.
8. Remove the performance strap from the top of your foot.
9. Slowly slip off the gripper.

**CAUTION: The gripper is made of coils and rubber; it may spring back when removed from your foot.**

**REPORT ANY HAZARDOUS SITUATION TO YOUR INSTRUCTOR/SUPERVISOR IMMEDIATELY**

#### Housekeeping

- Ensure the grippers are clean and dry
- Ensure the grippers are returned to their correct location for storage.

**Guidance Documents/ Standards/  
Applicable Legislation/ Other:**

Guidance Documents:

- Operator's Manual

CSA Standards:

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Manitoba Regulation 217/06:

- 2.1 Safe Work Procedures
- 6.1 Personal Protective Equipment

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