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**Part one  
Introduction**

This Annex shall amend the Rector's Directive No. 9/2007 – Personal Protective Work Equipment.

**Part two  
Subject matter of the regulation**

The following Article shall be altered and amended:

The Article 5 shall newly read as follows:

The duration of use is approximate only. Personal protective work equipment must be replaced immediately after its protective function decreased due to use or damage.

<b>Personal protective work equipment</b>		<b>ED*</b>
<b><u>1. Head protection:</u></b>		
a) safety helmets (used e.g. in mines, building industry, forestry, agriculture and industry)		36
b) protective equipment to prevent scalping (hats, berets, hair net caps – with or without peak, etc.)		12
c) safety headwear (berets, caps, waterproof hats, etc., made of textile material, impregnated textile material, etc.)		24
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<b><u>2. Hearing protection:</u></b>		
a) hearing protection earplugs and similar devices		12
b) hearing protection ear muffs		24
c) acoustic helmets (the so-called anti-noise helmets)		36
d) hearing protection helmet mounted ear muffs		24
e) hearing protector with built-in receiver for low-frequency induction loop		36
f) ear protection with intercom equipment		36
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<b><u>3. Face and eye protection:</u></b>		
a) safety glasses		AR**
b) X-ray goggles, laser-beam goggles, ultraviolet, infrared, visible (protection against dazzle) radiation goggles/safety glasses		36
c) protective face shields		36
d) welding helmets and shields (headband shields, helmets with adjustable headgear, or masks which can be mounted to safety helmets)		24
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<b><u>4. Respiratory protection:</u></b>		
a) full or half face masks with filters against particles, vapours, gases and radioactive dust with a suitable cheek pad		24
b) self-contained breathing apparatuses with air supply		36
c) respiratory protective equipment including dismountable welding masks		36
d) underwater breathing apparatus and equipment		36
e) mouthpiece		AR
f) nanofiber face mask		AR
g) reusable cotton face mask		AR
h) FFP2 respirator		AR
i) FFP3 respirator		AR
j) protective half face mask with removable shield		36
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<b><u>5. Hand and arm protection:</u></b>		
a) gloves to provide protection from: - mechanical risks (from piercing, cutting, vibrations, etc.),		AR

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- chemical substances and biological agents (e.g. nitrile, latex, high density polyethylene),	AR
- electricity, heat and cold temperatures,	24
- ionising radiation,	AR
b) mittens	AR
c) protective finger cots/finger stalls	AR
d) arm protection sleeves/oversleeves	AR
e) protective slash guards intended to be used for heavy work	AR
f) safety leather mittens (palm padded)	AR
g) protective gloves intended to be used for work in wet, damp or contaminated environment	AR

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**6. Foot and leg protection:**

a) low shoes, ankle boots, mid-calf boots, knee-high boots and high boots, designed particularly for wet conditions	36
b) safety shoes with steel toe	24
c) shoes which can be taken off rapidly	12
d) shoes and overshoes with heat resistant soles	12
e) shoes, boots, slippers with antiskid soles	12
f) vibration-resistant shoes, boots, slippers	24
g) antistatic shoes, boots, slippers	12
h) insulation shoes, boots, slippers	36
i) safety boots intended for work with portable chainsaws	36
j) clogs	12
k) cut protection	12
l) knee pads	12
m) removable instep guards	12
n) spats	12
o) removable soles (heat, piercing or sweat resistant)	12
p) removable spikes intended for walk on ice and snow or on slippery flooring	24

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**7. Trunk and abdomen protection:**

a) protective vests, coats, and aprons to provide protection from machinery and hand tools (piercing, cutting, molten metal splashes, etc.)	24
b) protective vests, coats, and aprons to provide protection from chemical and biological substances	12
c) heated vests	36
d) inflatable life jacket	36
e) protective X-ray aprons	36
f) back wraps, back protectors	24

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<b><u>8. Whole body protection</u></b>	
<b>Equipment designed to prevent falls:</b>	
a) full fall-prevention equipment including all necessary accessories	36
b) braking equipment to absorb kinetic energy including all necessary accessories	36
c) body-holding devices	36
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<b>Protective clothing:</b>	
a) protective work clothing (two-piece, overalls)	12
b) clothing to provide protection from injuries caused by machinery and by tools and equipment (from piercing, cutting, etc.)	12
c) clothing to provide protection from chemical substances and biological agents	12
d) clothing to provide protection from molten metal splashes or from infrared radiation	12
e) heat and flame resistant clothing	12
f) thermal and waterproof clothing (impermeable)	36
g) clothing intended to provide protection from ionising radiation	12
h) dust-proof clothing	24
i) gas-proof clothing	24
j) high visibility clothing and accessories made of retro-reflexive and fluorescent materials (high visibility wrist band, gloves, etc.)	36
k) diving suits	36
l) protective coverings	36
<b>m) disposable overall</b>	<b>AR</b>

Explanation:

\* Estimated duration of use (in months)

\*\* as required

Note:

**Personal protective work equipment must be regularly checked and examined at least once a year, unless specified otherwise in special regulations or in operating instructions given by the manufacturer. A functional test must also be carried out on the personal protective work equipment after each emergency situation (catching a falling worker, extreme strain, etc.).**

Other provisions of the Rector's Directive No. 9/2007 shall remain unchanged.