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Here some hand statistics from the CDC & OSHA:

If all workers, from medical to industrial and everything in between, would just wear gloves, then more than 1 million hospital emergency visits by U.S. workers per year could be avoided (according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention).

- Hand Injuries have cost employers over *\$740 MILLION* dollars in the US last year (lost time, settlements, etc.).
- Non-compliance of PPE hand protection is among one of the most common OSHA citations to date, costing employers on average \$6,000 per citation.







TYPES OF LEATHER

COWHIDE

- Most common & popular type of leather used for gloves
- Moderately priced
- Durable glove with good abrasion resistance
- Warmer than pigskin or goatskin
- Stiffens when it gets wet
- More heat resistant

PIGSKIN

- Offers greatest breathability due to the porous texture of the hide
- Becomes softer with use
- Withstands moisture without becoming stiff
- Dries soft and stays flexible
- Doesn't lose its shape or function when laundered

GOATSKIN

- Strongest and most durable type of leather
- Excellent abrasion resistance
- Great for tasks that require dexterity Doesn't lose its shape or function when
- laundered One of the softest leathers available
 - because of its high lanolin content

GRAIN

DEERSKIN

- Soft, supple, and luxurious hide
- Offers excellent dexterity, durability, and comfort
- Has high tensile strength



GRAIN PIGSKIN FEATURE GRAIN COWHIDE GRAIN GOATSKIN GRAIN DEERSKIN Abrasion Resistance FAIR GOOD GOOD **VERY GOOD VERY GOOD FAIR** Breathability **FAIR FAIR VERY GOOD VERY GOOD VERY GOOD GOOD** Durability **VERY GOOD Flexibility GOOD VERY GOOD VERY GOOD** Insulation **VERY GOOD** GOOD **VERY GOOD VERY GOOD** GOOD **FAIR VERY GOOD VERY GOOD Puncture Resistance**

THREE MAJOR LEATHER GLOVE THUMB DESIGN

The set-in thumb is sewn in as a separate piece, which improves dexterity. Ideal for applications where there is extreme wear in the thumb webbing area. Most expensive option due to extensive sewing.



STRAIGHT THUMB Least effective as it does not allow for natural thumb

motion.



WING THUMB Allows for greater flexibility and efficiency than straight thumbs.



KEYSTONE THUMB Designed for superior movement and maximum comfort.

CUFF STYLES



Two layers of fabric





Launderable single ply

cotton material.



RUBBERIZED

Bonding of cuff layers with rubber cement. Standard safety cuff 2.5".



GAUNTLET

4 – 4.5" longer cuff to provide extra protection up the wrist & arm.



KNIT

Elastic around wrist to keep dust & debris from entering glove.



SHIRRED

Helps gather the material at the wrist providing a more comfortable fit.

ARE LEATHER GLOVES AVAILABLE AS A CUT GLOVE?

Yes, leather gloves can be made available as a cut glove. Modern technological advancements in cut-resistant fibers allow leather gloves to be engineered with liners made of Kevlar® or Aramid for excellent cut protection.

However, just like our skin is not naturally cut resistant, nor are animal skins. So leather gloves without a liner only offer minor protection from cuts and scrapes.

TYPES OF LININGS

COTTON/JERSEY: Helps with comfort and helps prevent chaffing

FLEECE: More durable than cotton and helps with warmth

THINSULATE/THERMAL: Best choice for low temperatures

ARAMID OR KEVLAR FIBERS: Add cut resistant protection



WHAT TYPE OF GLOVE IS REQUIRED FOR WELDING?



The answer is dependent upon whether the welding environment is high heat or low heat. The higher the heat, the more insulating the glove needs to be. However, thicker gloves that protect from heat often compromise control.

- STICK WELDING: Produces the most heat, sparks, & splatter resulting in the need for more heat insulation. This process requires less dexterity; therefore, gloves are thicker to offer more protection from heat.
- MIG/TIG WELDING: Lower heat welding involves more precise types of hand motion & requires gloves with more dexterity.

PROTECTION PERFORMANCE & PRICE



The 3 P's of Choosing Hand Protection

Since there are many different types of gloves in the marketplace, it is important you have a good strategy for selecting the right pair for the job. Considering the glove's protective features, performance, and price will help you evaluate your selection. Plus, leading manufacturers have hand protection managers, champions, and safety experts to help you make the right choice.

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