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Uvex® Polarized Safety Eyewear Reduces Glare, Improves Visual Acuity

- Uvex uses high optical quality sunglass lenses to lessen eye fatigue in outdoor work environments
- Wearers using Uvex Polarized are able to see fine detail and deep colors, improving job safety
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Smithfield, RI – Safety eyewear world leader, Uvex®, has introduced a new line of Polarized Safety Eyewear for outdoor work environments. Utilizing the same top quality, polarized lenses found in high-end sunglasses, Uvex Polarized Safety Eyewear reduces glare and improves visual acuity. Wearers are better able to see fine details and deep colors, improving job safety in environments where glare or harsh light conditions can cause problems.

“These lenses are perfect for industries where people work around water, such as fisheries, naval and boating,” said Erica Osley, Senior Product Manager for Uvex. “They’re also great for other outdoor applications such as construction, road work and utilities. Workers report less eye strain while wearing Uvex Polarized Safety Eyewear, and their sleek styling makes them a hit off the job as well as on.”

Natural light from the sun is diffused, with waves oriented in all directions, Osley explained. But when sunlight reflects off a smooth flat surface such as water or ice, the waves are reoriented and hit the eye with concentrated force, causing glare. Polarized lenses contain thin, delicate filters that block select bands of this light, reducing glare.

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Key to the optical quality of the Uvex lenses is a proprietary process in which the filters are combined with the lenses while they are in a liquid state. Unlike adhesive bonding and heat laminating which cause optical distortion, this process yields optically clear lenses of the highest quality.

Uvex Polarized Safety Eyewear is designed to provide comfort for all day wear. Sleek, wraparound metal frames provide a contemporary, stylish look while adjustable nose pads and black rubber temple tips facilitate comfort. A curved lens design provides built-in side protection to meet the requirements of ANSI Z87+ for high impact protection, and Uvex polarized lenses block 99.9% of UVA, UVB, UVC and harmful blue light.

The world's top-selling protective eyewear brand, Uvex has been an acknowledged leader in safety eyewear innovation for over fifty years. The pioneer of many groundbreaking innovations such as a cost effective silicone goggle body and MMT – Multi-Material Technology®, Uvex is a leading brand of the Bacou-Dalloz Group.

Bacou-Dalloz is the world leader in the design, manufacture and sale of personal protective equipment, offering a comprehensive range of safety products designed to protect people from hazards in the workplace. The Group specializes in head protection equipment (eye and face, respiratory and hearing protection), body protection equipment (clothing, gloves and footwear) and fall protection equipment. With a worldwide presence and over 6,000 employees, Bacou-Dalloz endeavors to contribute to ongoing improvements in workplace health and safety by providing innovative, comfort-engineered products that workers want to wear. The Group's products are sold through a worldwide network of distributor partners for use in all sectors of activity (construction, manufacturing, telecommunications, homeland security, petrochemicals, medical, public services, etc.). Bacou-Dalloz is listed on the Premier Marché of the Euronext stock exchange in Paris, and is part of the SBF 120 index.

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