Cowichan Bay Waterworks District

Policy No. CBWD 2023 11 20

Footwear / Weather Gear Allowance Policy

1. PURPOSE

1.1. To outline Cowichan Bay Waterworks District policy regarding a Footwear and Weather Gear Allowance.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1. The District supports the health and safety of its workers.
- 2.2. The Water Operations team requires safety footwear and weather gear in order to do their work outside in all types of weather conditions.

3. EFFECTIVE DATE

3.1. This policy is effective as of November 20, 2023.

4. POLICY

- 4.1. The Footwear/Weather Gear Allowance shall be 50% of the purchase price, including provincial and federal tax, up to a maximum of \$400 per year.
- 4.2. The Footwear/Weather Gear Allowance shall apply to safety boots, wet weather boots, rain gear and prescription safety eyeglasses.
- 4.3. The Footwear/Weather Gear Allowance shall apply to boots and gear that comply with CSA and Worksafe BC safety standards [ie. hi-visibility yellow or orange fluorescent coats and pants, steel/composite toe footwear].
- 4.4. The Footwear/Weather Gear Allowance shall be payable upon submission of a receipt or receipts for the boots and/or gear.
- 4.5. The Footwear and Weather Gear must comply with WorkSafe BC regulations.

5. EXEMPTIONS

5.1. The Footwear/Weather Gear Allowance does not apply to safety gear provided by Cowichan Bay Waterworks District such as safety glasses, gloves, safety vests, ear plugs and hearing protection, face masks/shields, asbestos suits, hard hats, fall protection, confined space protection, etc. required by Work Safe BC.

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