

OPERATION SAFETY NOTICE

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TO: All owners and operators of Bell helicopters

SUBJECT: PERSONNEL INJURIES WHILE WORKING ON HELICOPTERS

Bell Helicopter continues to receive reports of technicians and pilots injuring themselves while inspecting and working on helicopters. The use of lightweight materials, the diverse hardware such as cotter pins, safety wire, edges of various sheet metal components, hot surfaces, assorted chemicals and various cutting tools, create an environment where personnel may sustain injuries.

The use of work gloves and long sleeves can help prevent cuts, lacerations and burns. Bell Helicopter also recommends wearing safety glasses and safety shoes while maintaining the helicopter to help reduce the potential for injuries.

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