

SAFETY FOR CONSTRUCTION PROFESSIONALS

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SOLAR ECLIPSE - APRIL 8TH

On Monday, April 8, 2024, Ohio residents will be able to view a total solar eclipse, the first time this will happen in Ohio in hundreds of years. The path of totality will cross the state from southwest to northeast, passing through our surrounding cities. During the eclipse, the moon will completely block out the sun, casting a shadow on the Earth.



Here are five practices that should be used for safety during the eclipse.

- Resist the temptation to look at the sun during the eclipse (whether total or not in your location) without solar glasses, those that are specifically designed for viewing the sun.
- If you are working outdoors in the path of the total eclipse do not do so during the period of total darkness.
- If you are working at an elevation above the ground (such as on a roof) get to the ground at least 15 minutes before totality begins and remain there until the eclipse ends.
- If you are driving in any area that will be affected by the eclipses, be extra careful of other drivers, who might be paying more attention on the eclipse than where they are or what they are doing.
- Finally, do not attempt to photograph the eclipse. Looking at the eclipse through the camera lens, such as on your smart phone will concentrate the solar rays and this may cause serious eye damage.

