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## HARMFUL PLANTS, ANIMALS, AND INSECTS

The 15 September 2008 Safety Manual (yellow book) is now in effect for most new contracts and government operations. Please note the requirements for harmful plants, animals, and insects as stated below.

### 06.D HARMFUL PLANTS, ANIMALS, AND INSECTS

06.D.01 Protection against hazards from insects and/or animals harboring fleas or disease-carrying insects shall include, as applicable, the following:

- a. PPE such as netted hoods, leather work gloves, and high-top work boots worn in conjunction with trousers and long-sleeved shirts;
- b. Clothing treated at the factory with DEET or Permethrin are recommended in areas of high insect population;
- c. Drainage or spraying of breeding areas;
- d. Destroying or flagging (marking as hazard) of nests;
- e. Smudge pots and aerosols for protecting workers and small areas;
- f. Elimination of actions or conditions that propagate insects or vermin;
- g. Extermination measures by a certified pesticide applicator or, for over the counter items, following the instructions on the label;
- h. Approved first-aid procedures for employees;
- i. Inoculation against diseases known to be a local hazard; and
- j. Instruction in recognition of the animals and insects and their common nesting habits, aggressiveness, etc.

