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Section 5: Logistics & Safety on Large Rivers

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Logistics



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Safety



General Field Safety



- Heavy equipment
 - Ask for help
 - Lift properly
 - Watch for others
 - Keep equipment balanced in the boat

Transportation of Equipment

to, in, and along the river

can present a substantial logistical challenge and safety hazard

No ramp
access



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access



Pulling through
shallows



Navigating debris
to access reach



General Field Safety



■ Field attire

– If hot

- Protect from sun, dehydration, and heat exhaustion
- No open-toed shoes
- Choose long pants over shorts
- If wading is required, consider waders

– If cold

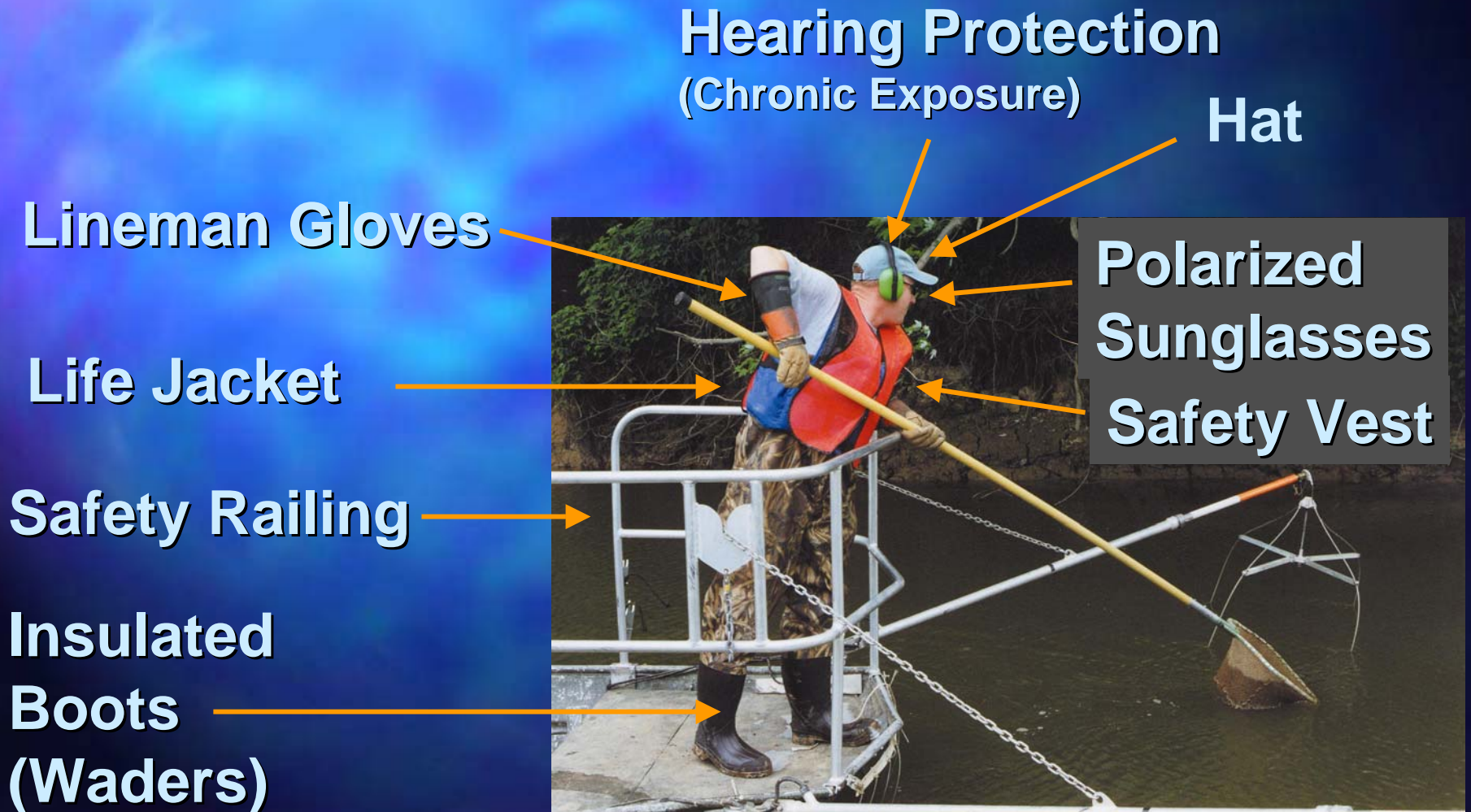
- Protect from hypothermia and frost bite

General Field Safety

- Eye protection
 - UV rays, abrasions, chemical hazards, polarized
- Hearing protection
 - Chronic Exposure
 - Boat motors, generators
- Communication
 - 2-way among crew, cell phones
- Electrical Shock



Electrofishing is inherently **"dangerous"**!
**Secure proper training and follow and enforce
safety precautions.**



Chemical Safety

- Formalin
- Ethanol
- Gasoline
 - Explosion hazard
- Liquid nitrogen
- Material Safety Data Sheets



Safety on the Road

- Wear safety belts
- Consider defensive driving course
- Hauling equipment and towing a boat
 - Inspect hitch and trailer daily
 - Do not exceed capacity of truck or trailer
 - Reduce driving speeds
 - Check tie-downs





Safety on the Water

■ Boating safety

- rules and regulations
- be familiar with hazards
- redundant training
- don't overload the boat
- maintain equipment
- required equipment
- training, training, training



Safety on the Water - Training

- Operation of watercraft
- Maintenance of watercraft
- Safety training
 - Drowning
 - Storms
 - Boat rescues
- CPR
 - Heimlich maneuver
- First Aid
 - Cuts and bleeding
 - Bruises
 - Puncture wounds
 - Heat emergencies
 - Heat cramps
 - Heat exhaustion
 - Heat stroke
 - Hypothermia
 - Frost bite

