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NYLON'S NO GOOD!

Every year an average of four building workers set themselves on fire while grinding, cutting or welding.

That's because they're wearing flammable material. The old Nylon bluey might be alright at the footy or on the way to work, but they're no good on site because not only are they flammable, but when they do catch on fire they melt and stick to the skin.

Even the MBA acknowledge the problem. Nylon blueys have been banned by the Plumbers and the ETU for years.



The zip presents a particular hazard for electricians because it conducts electricity.

CFMEU policy is that all clothing issued must be made in Australia from natural fibre or retardant material.

There are options. Brushed cotton lightweight waterproof jackets are available if you

look. The old woollen blueys are still around and most oil-skin jackets are suitable.

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