

Pull out your current policy and check the box next to any coverage you can confirm is already in place — anything unchecked is worth a quick conversation with your advisor. Coverage checklist for field welding contractors. Priorities reflect typical exposure; confirm against hot work in buildings and structural welds.

CORE

PREVALENT

SITUATIONAL

— Core: almost always needed · Prevalent: commonly carried by businesses in this class · Situational: depends on specific exposure

COVERAGE	WHY THIS BUSINESS NEEDS IT	PRIORITY
☐ Commercial General Liability (incl. Products-Completed Operations)	Covers injuries and damage during work and after it's finished.	CORE
☐ Workers' Compensation	Required in most states.	CORE
☐ Tools & Equipment / Inland Marine	Covers welding rigs and equipment.	PREVALENT
☐ Commercial Auto	Covers trucks, trailers, and hauling.	CORE
☐ Umbrella / Excess Liability	Adds limits many owners and GCs require.	PREVALENT

COMMON COVERAGE GAP FOR THIS CLASS

The most commonly missed gap for this class is a hot-work exclusion. Some contractor GL policies exclude fires from welding or require a written hot-work program as a condition of coverage — and a fire in a customer's building can be a total loss. Welders should confirm hot work is covered, use a permit on every job, and keep a fire watch after work ends.

IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

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