does it get cold in your part of Canada?

Amputations • Crush Injuries • Poor Circulation • Nerve Damage
Can all spell COLD INTOLERANCE!

As you well know, COLD can be a big problem for many Workers attempting to return to work after sustaining injuries or following the onset of certain diseases. In many cases this goes beyond discomfort and is painfully debilitating.

The solution is Reliable, Portable and Controllable heat sources that still allow the freedom of movement and dexterity to do the job. Simple Abilities carries a complete selection of heated glove liners and insoles as well as portable rechargeable battery systems. These systems will provide comforting heat for 6 to 12 hours depending on heat setting and ambient temperature.
Amputation or Single Hand - We Can Assist

Simple Abilities supplies solutions for Left or Right hand as well as custom glove liners for clients with full or partial finger amputations. With very few exceptions workers will only injure one hand but gloves typically come in pairs. Rather than having a pair (right & left) of expensive heated glove liners one of which is redundant, Simple Abilities supplies a pair of heated liners, both for the same injured hand - one to wear, the other as a back-up or for use on laundry day.

Amputations – Whether it’s a fingertip, a whole finger or more, cold intolerance is often a major challenge. Simple Abilities will create a customized liner to fit the injured hand and will even focus extra heat to the fingers or areas that are most sensitive. Matching protective outer work gloves are also included.

Job Specific Outer Work Gloves

We cannot forget that heated glove liners are “LINERS” and need the protection of an outer glove to protect and keep the liner clean and more importantly, to keep the heat in. While the outer glove is the sacrificial layer to protect the more expensive heated liner, Simple Abilities doesn’t skimp on quality. Before selecting the outer glove, we want to speak with the client or the OT to determine type of work and the dexterity and tactility required.

Simple Abilities carries hundreds of glove styles from a number of quality manufacturers. Regular work gloves, mechanics gloves, welding gloves and all sorts of specialty gloves are available and can be customized to fit the injured hand.

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Tenacious OT Discovers Simple Abilities

A short while ago, after searching for a solution on the internet, one of your fellow therapists told us that they had never heard of us or even imagined that this type of product/service was available. We set about to build a heated liner outfit for her client and she has been referring clients to us ever since. Following that initial discovery, word has spread to other areas of BC and other parts of Canada.

Reliability is Critical

As you can appreciate, cowboys, welders, workers in sawmills, on construction sites and in dozens of other workplaces can be hard on equipment and clothing.

Simple Abilities is just now getting a trickle of repeat orders for some of the outfits we supplied back in 2010 and earlier. In many cases the heated liners are still working and it’s the tough outer gloves that are worn out. The message is simple, our products are reliable, they work and workers are staying on the job.

We now have clients from Vancouver Island to Newfoundland, points in the US and even deep sea divers in Finland.
we pride ourselves in being **easy to work with**

As OT's we know you are busy and the last thing you need is a product or service provider that has a cumbersome process. Simple Abilities makes it very simple. Call us toll free at 1.877.470.1700. Fax us at 604.271.2606 or Email us at [corporate@simpleabilities.com](mailto:corporate@simpleabilities.com)

We will need:

- Basic description of client need.
- Your name and contact info.
- Client Name, contact info and claim number.
- Funding provider and contact info.
- Traced outline of injured hand with palmer circumference measurement and note to indicate areas of special concern, if any.

From this information, we will be able to contact the client (or you, if you prefer) if we have any further questions. Simple Abilities will then prepare a formal quote to be sent to the recipient you indicate. Once the quote is approved, we initiate a “Best Fit” service using Express Post to ship liners and outer gloves for the client to try on to see what fits best. A prepaid Express Post return envelope is included for the client to get back to us. Many of the OT's we deal with on an ongoing basis send us one fax or Email and we take it from there. Other OT's prefer to keep in the loop and that's OK too.

we share a **tough and demanding pedigree**

Our heated glove liners, insoles, other garments and all our power supply products are descendants of the motorcycle industry. For years, the tenacious motorcycle riding community has enjoyed the comfort of heated gloves, footwear and clothing all powered by the electrical system on their bike.

Bike riders all have one thing in common, they are tough, devoted to their ride and they demand quality and reliability. For 36 years, the Gerbings line of products has been the go to standard in the motorcycle community. For over 12 years, Gerbings has been the sole supplier of heated gear to Harley Davidson and it doesn’t get tougher than that.

While these garments have been around for years, they were not easily portable. They either needed to be plugged in to a power source or attached to a really big battery pack. Recent advancements in battery size and capacity have enabled us to convert many of these components into reliable, easily portable systems, which do little to hinder worker mobility and dexterity. We work continually with the largest North American distributor of these products and we receive all the benefits of their aggressive R&D programs.