



SAFE WORK PRACTICE

TITLE	Use And Care Of Respiratory Equipment
GENERAL	Protecting workers from injuries associated with the improper use and care of respiratory equipment
APPLICATION	When hazardous airborne contaminants or an oxygen deficient atmosphere exists, proper respiratory equipment must be utilized.
PROTECTIVE MECHANISMS	Safe work procedure Permit system Manufacturer specifications Air quality monitors PPE ERP (Emergency Response Plan) WHMIS
SELECTION AND USE	As per safe work procedure Manufacturer specifications
SUPERVISOR RESPONSIBILITY	Supervisors are responsible to facilitate and/or provide proper instruction to their workers on protection requirements and training. Selection of equipment Hazard analysis Work site inspection
WORKER RESPONSIBILITY	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ensure you are fully trained on respiratory equipment.2. Ensure you are conversant with safe work procedures and/or site-specific procedures.3. Inspect before each use.4. Inspect after each use.5. Ensure to utilize "Buddy" system.6. Ensure work masks are cleaned and disinfected after each use.7. Ensure equipment is stored properly.
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