

RESPIRATORY PROTECTION AND FACEPIECE INSPECTION

PPE | THINK AHEAD. CONTROL THE HAZARD. PROTECT THE CREW.

Today we are discussing respiratory protection and facepiece inspection. Review the job, identify the specific exposure, and agree on the controls before work begins.

COMMON HAZARDS AND SAFEGUARDS

- Use only the respirator specified for the hazard
- Confirm medical clearance, training, and fit testing
- Inspect seal, lens, valves, straps, hose, and connections
- Perform required user seal and operational checks
- Keep facial hair and objects out of the sealing surface
- Leave immediately if airflow, fit, odor, or breathing changes

THE COMMON-SENSE CHECK

- 1 What can go wrong during respiratory protection and facepiece inspection?
- 2 Which of today's conditions increases the risk?
- 3 Are isolation, permits, and equipment verified?
- 4 Does everyone understand the controls and limits?
- 5 What will make us stop, withdraw, or raise the alarm?

CONTROL THE EXPOSURE

PLAN

Use only the respirator specified for the hazard

VERIFY

Confirm medical clearance, training, and fit testing

CONTROL

Inspect seal, lens, valves, straps, hose, and connections

RESPOND

Leave immediately if airflow, fit, odor, or breathing changes

ASK THE CREW

1. Where could this hazard affect us during today's work?

2. Which control must be verified before we begin?

3. What condition requires us to stop work or evacuate?

DATE: _____ SUPERVISOR: _____ CREW / LOCATION: _____