

CITY OF NICEVILLE
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
RESPIRATORY PROTECTION

Pursuant to the requirements as set forth in the occupational safety and health standard (29CFR 1910.134) which establishes control techniques to be used for protecting employees from exposure to airborne contaminants, the following respiratory protection program is hereby adopted by the City of Niceville Public Works Department.

Each department supervisor is responsible for the immediate and effective implementation and enforcement of this program in its entirety as adopted.

No management nor supervisor implementation or enforcement responsibilities shall be compromised, delegated or reassigned.

The respective supervisor shall be directly responsible for the training and for the safety of the program.

Every employee that may be required to use a respirator either during normal work activities or in an emergency will be properly trained in the following subjects.

1. **WORKPLACE CONDITIONS**

The nature of the hazard, whether it is in the form of a gas, dust, organic vapor, fumes, mist, oxygen deficiency, or any combination of these hazards.

2. **TYPES OF RESPIRATORY HAZARDS**

The adverse health effects that may occur from exposure to the hazard, to include effects that may occur due to respirator leaks, failure, or improper selection.

3. **NATURE OF THE WORK**

The type of job operation, the equipment or tools that will be used and any motion or travel the job requires which will affect the type of respirator selected.

4. **SELECTION OF RESPIRATORS**

Employees will attend (hands on) training to know how to use the basic types of respirators to include the:

- A. Air purifying or filtering
- B. Air supplying

5. **FITTING OF RESPIRATORS**

Training to include participation by employees.

6. **INSPECTING OF RESPIRATORS**

Training to include participation by employees.

7. **CLEANING OF RESPIRATORS**

Training to include participation by employees.

8. **STORAGE OF RESPIRATORS**

Training to include participation by employees.

9. **MEDICAL EVALUATION**

All employees assigned to Public Works who may be required to wear a respirator either during normal work activities or in an emergency, will be required to have a medical evaluation by a qualified physician to determine his/her ability to perform assigned duties while wearing a respirator.