

Respiratory Protection Policy

1.0 Policy Statement

The City of Mount Pearl is committed to the health and safety of its employees. The City shall ensure employees have the necessary equipment and are fully trained when exposed to respiratory hazardous conditions.

2.0 Background

The City of Mount Pearl shall ensure that employees who are exposed to Respiratory Hazards are provided with the appropriate equipment, training and education to comply with the Respiratory Protection Program. The City has developed a Respiratory Protection Program in accordance with Canadian Standard Association (CSA) Z94.4 Selection, Use and Care of Respirators. Where required, an employer shall establish, implement and maintain, and revise where necessary, a written respiratory protection program in accordance with *CSA Standard Z94.4*.

3.0 Purpose

To establish a policy for the City of Mount Pearl that enforces the City's Occupational Health and Safety commitments and protects employees against harmful dusts, fogs, fumes, mists, gases, smokes, sprays, bioaerosols, and vapors, through the use of engineering controls, administrative controls, or personal protective equipment (PPE).

4.0 Respiratory Protection Requirements

Respiratory Protection shall be provided and used to protect employees from inhaling a hazardous atmosphere when other control measures are not practicable or adequate. Such protection shall include but is not limited to: dust masks, cartridge half-mask and full-face respirators, and powered air-purifying respirators.

The City's Respiratory Protection Program shall consist of:

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Respirator Selection
- Fit Testing and Training

- Respirator Use and Inspection
- Cartridge Change out
- Program Evaluation

5.0 Related Procedures

Please refer to the City's companion documents:

- *Respiratory Protection Program*
- *Appendix A Medical Questionnaire*
- *Appendix B Respiratory Fit Test Record*
- *Appendix C Seal Check Procedure*
- *Appendix D Training Records*
- *Procedures for cleaning and sanitizing respirators*

6.0 Approvals



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Date