

VII. 8000 SERIES FITTING INSTRUCTIONS

(Also see instructions on bag and in 8000 Series Respirator Instruction Manual.)

1. Read instructions on respirator bag or see fit poster for proper fitting.
2. Users must follow instructions each time respirator is worn.
3. OSHA regulation 1910.134 (f) requires that the user be fit tested.
4. Do not wear with any facial hair, such as beards, which may prevent a proper fit.
5. If you cannot obtain a proper fit, do not enter the contaminated area and see your supervisor.

PRE-INSPECTION

Inspect your respirator before and after wearing. Do not wear, and return to your supervisor if:

1. Head straps are torn, cut, or have lost elasticity.
2. Buckles or head cradle are missing, damaged or broken.
3. Facepiece is cracked, torn, distorted, dirty, or has holes.
4. Inhalation/Exhalation diaphragms are missing, torn, damaged, or not properly seated.
5. Cartridges are at the end of their service life, cracked, damaged, or not properly seated.
6. Any other plastic part is cracked, distorted, or damaged

1.



Place respirator under the chin and pull the cradle to the top of the head so it rests on the crown.

2.



Attach the bottom straps behind the neck.

3.



Adjust both straps to obtain a secure and comfortable fit. Tighten by pulling on ends, or loosen by pushing out on buckle tab.

4.



Seal check your respirator each time you enter a contaminated area.

A. USER SEAL CHECK

1. A seal check is required each time the respirator is donned and prior to entering a contaminated area.
2. A seal check is performed by the wearer to determine if it has properly sealed before entering a contaminated area.
3. The seal check does not take the place of fit testing.

B. USER SEAL CHECK INSTRUCTIONS

Read instructions on respirator bag or see fit poster for seal check procedures.



Positive Pressure Seal Check: Cover the exhalation valve vents, and exhale gently to create a slight positive pressure. If air leakage is detected, readjust the position of the facepiece, and the tension of both headstraps, and repeat the seal check until leakage is eliminated.



Negative Pressure Seal Check: Cover both cartridges, and gently inhale and hold your breath. The facepiece should slightly collapse. If air leakage is detected, readjust the position of the facepiece, and tension of both headstraps, and repeat the seal check until leakage is eliminated.

WARNING: If you cannot obtain a proper fit, do not enter the contaminated area and see your supervisor. Entry into a contaminated area with an improper fit may result in sickness or death.

It is the responsibility of the Safety Director or your supervisor to assist you in determining how tight the 8000 Series respirators should be on the user's face. Prior to and during the use the user has the final responsibility to determine how tight the respirator should be and when it needs to be adjusted to always maintain a proper seal. Do not over or under tighten as either may cause leakage and reduce protection.