



IF YOUR RESPIRATORY PROTECTION FAILS OR YOU HAVE A POTENTIAL BIOLOGICAL EXPOSURE INCIDENT, CONTACT BIOSAFETY OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AT 979.845.6649



Not a biological hazard?

For medical clearance and fit testing for **chemical hazards** contact TAMU Environmental Health & Safety (EHS) at ehsd.occ.health@tamu.edu.

Examples of chemical exposures include:

- Waste anesthetic gases
- Formalin
- Methane
- Xylene/Toluene

Biosafety Occupational Health Program

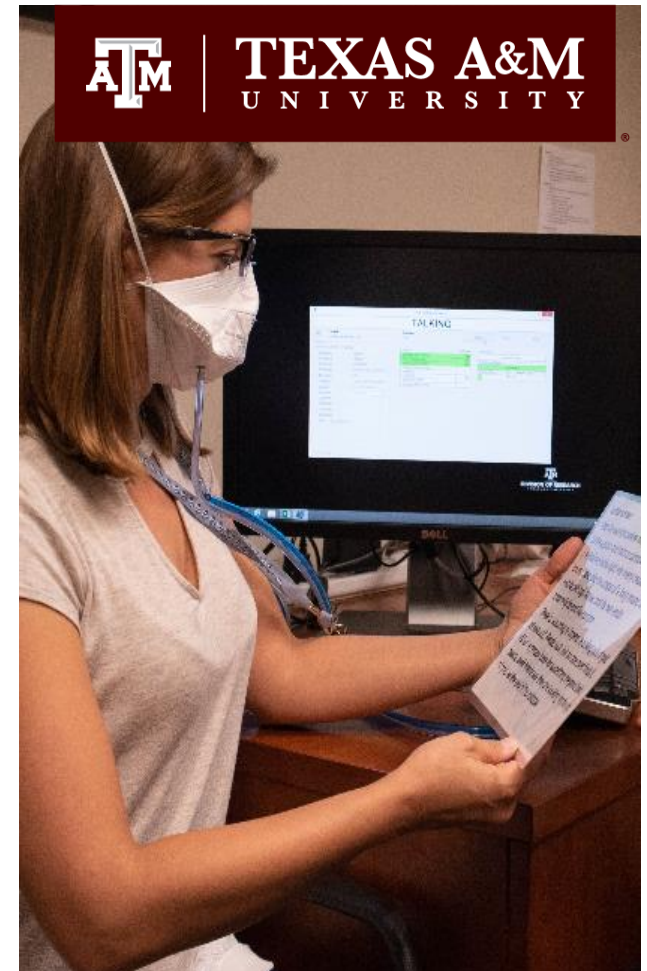
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Respiratory Protection for Biohazards

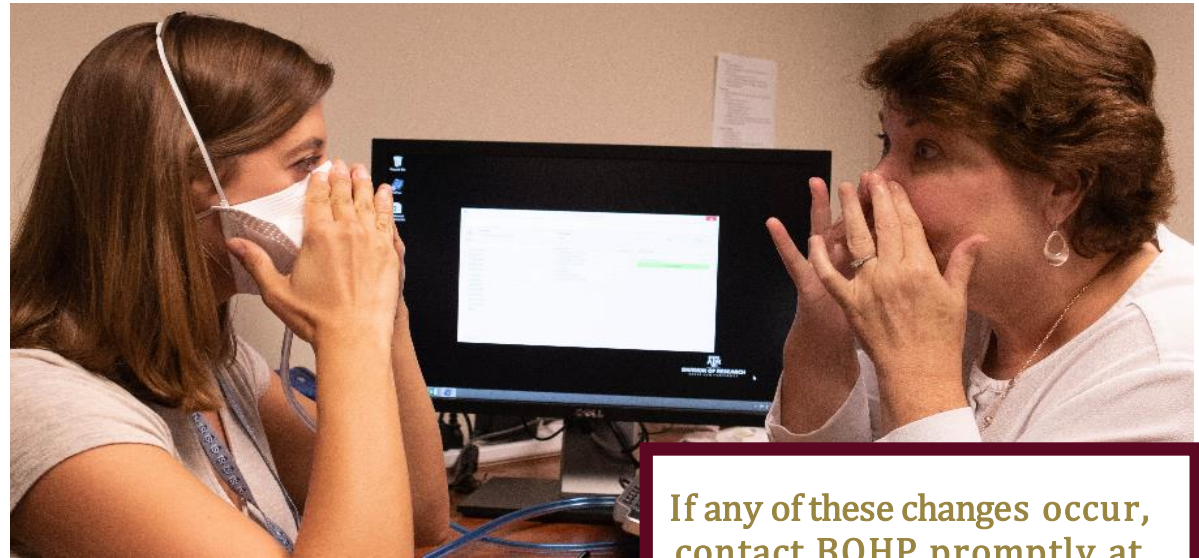
If your supervisor or principal investigator has informed you that you need respiratory protection from **biological hazards**, follow these simple instructions to get started.

To get started...

Enroll in the Biosafety Occupational Health Program (BOHP) online at <https://bohp.tamu.edu>

When do you need a fit test?

- Before your first use of a respirator
- Annually, for as long as respiratory protection is needed
- If you have physical- or health-related changes that may affect your use of a respirator



If any of these changes occur, contact BOHP promptly at BOHP@tamu.edu to obtain a new medical clearance.

How do I get a fit test?

- Contact BOHP to begin medical clearance
- Submit your completed medical questionnaire to BOHP@tamu.edu
- A medical provider will review your questionnaire (may take 5-7 days)
- Once BOHP has received your medical clearance, you will be contacted by email to schedule your fit test
- Fit testing takes about 30-45 minutes

How long is my fit test valid?

Your fit test is valid for **1 year**, unless you have physical or health related changes that could affect your respirator use.

Physical- or health-related changes?

If you experience these physical- or health-related changes you **must** obtain a new medical clearance and may require a new fit test:

- Loss/gain of 10% of body weight
- Pregnancy
- Significant dental work
- New dentures
- Broken or fractured facial bones
- New diagnosis of lung disease
- New diagnosis of heart disease