



Respiratory

Safety Council Solutions - Program Evaluation Form

CONTRACTOR NAME: _____

DATE: _____

ITEM NO.	CITATION REFERENCE	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
Respiratory			
1	1910.134(k)(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)	Does program address training & retraining?	The program must address employee knowledge of respirators, fit, use, limitations, emergency situations, wearing, fit checks, maintenance & storage, medical signs & symptoms of effective use, and general requirements of the OSHA standard. The training must be provided before requiring the employee to use the respirator. The program must address retraining.
2	1910.134(a)(1)(2)	Does program state that respiratory equipment will be provided for employee's use against harmful vapors & oxygen deficient atmospheres?	To be used when engineering control measures are not feasible or during emergency situations with high exposure. Respirators shall be provided which are applicable and suitable for purpose intended.
3	1910.134(c)(3)	Does the written program name a program administrator?	Administrator must be knowledgeable of the complexity of the program, conduct evaluations, and be properly trained.
4	1910.134(c)(4)	Does the program indicate that respirators, training and medicals are provided at no cost?	Medical, respirators, and training are required to be provided free to the employee.
5	1910.134(c)(1)	Does the written program contain specific work-site procedures where respirators are required to protect the health of the worker?	Also applicable when required by employer. How is the program updated?
6	1910.134(d)(1)(i)(ii)(2)(i)	Is the selection of the respirator based on the hazards that the worker is exposed? Are only NIOSH-certified respirators provided? Does the evaluation of the hazard address estimate of exposures, I.D. of contaminant physical form and chemical state? For no exposure estimate or data, does the program address IDLH? Does the program address providing NIOSH-approved respirators for full-faced, pressure demand 30 minute SCBA, or SAR with aux. air supply?	The employer is required to identify hazards, select and provide respirators based on those hazards and factors affecting performance. Brands and models must be listed. The employer is required to estimate exposures and contaminant information. If this is not done, then exposures must be addressed as immediately Dangerous to Life & Health (IDLH). Section (d)(2) only applies to IDLH atmospheres.
7	1910.134(e)(1)(4)	Does the program address medical evaluation prior to fit-testing and required use of the respirator? What are the provisions for the medical including supplemental information provided (a copy of the OSHA standard as well as the company-specific written respiratory protection program, as well as stress factors)?	Must be confidential, during normal working hours, convenient, understandable, employee given chance to discuss results with PLHCP.
8	1910.134(f)	Does program address fit-testing of tight-fitting facepieces? What procedures are used? Does the program address annual fit-testing? If the method OSHA-accepted? For SARs, does the program address fit testing?	Employer is required to ensure employees pass qualitative fit test (QLFT) or quantitative fit test (QNFT) before initial use, if a different respirator is used, and fit testing must occur at least annually thereafter. SARs are required to be fit tested as well. (Refer to the Appendices).

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9	1910.134(g)(1)	Does the program address protection of the facepiece seal?	Things that can affect the seal must be prohibited and include facial hair, glasses, etc. The program must address checking of the seal each time the unit is put on.
10	1910.134(g)(2)	Does program address procedures to monitor program effectiveness?	The program administrator must address appropriate surveillance, and ensure employees leave the area to wash, change cartridges, or if they detect break-through or resistance.
11	1910.134(g)(3)	Does program have specific procedures for IDLH atmospheres?	Program must address outside standby persons, maintaining communication, proper training and equipment, notification procedures, and necessary action. Mandatory equipment must include SCBA or SAR with auxiliary air supply & appropriate retrieval equipment or equivalent rescue means.
12	1910.134(h)(1)(i)(ii)(iii)(iv)	Does program address maintenance and care of respirators? Is the responsible position listed?	Respirators are required to be provided in a clean and sanitary manner using procedures in Appendix B or equally effective manufacturer's procedures.
13	1910.134(h)(2)(3)(i)	Does the program address storage and inspection?	Protection from damage, contamination, etc. For emergency use, stored accessible, clearly marked. Inspections: Routine use - before use and during cleaning; emergency - monthly, and before and after each use; escape-only - before being carried into workplace.
14	1910.134(i)	Does the program address proper grade of air to use, and that oxygen is not used in compressed air units; cylinders meet DOT requirements, and safety issues?	NOTE: This section only applies to SARs and SCBAs. Air must be Grade D or better. Compressor located in a "clean" atmosphere, with in-line purification and tagged to indicate date or changeout. Carbon monoxide monitor in place & set to alarm at 10 PPM or monitored frequently. Fittings are incompatible for non-respirable gases and containers.
15	1910.134 (l)(1)(2)	Does program address program evaluation?	To verify written program effectiveness. Employees must be asked about fit, selection, use, maintenance, etc.
16	1910.134(m)(1)(2)(3)	Does program address recordkeeping?	Where and by whom? Are medical records maintained? Are fit testing records and current written program retained and maintained?

Disclaimer: The information contained in these forms, questionnaire and monitoring procedures is provided as written guidance to assist contractors in complying with the OSHA regulations and/or operator requirements. SCS, the operators who participated in the development of this program and their employees disclaim all warranties both express and implied. The information presented here will give contractors a reference document, which should be used as guidance or as a "first step" towards getting your company into compliance. This monitoring program is based on sound safety and environmental concerns. We urge contractors to view their OSHA and DOT compliance efforts as a way to make their workplace safer for their employees.

Each contractor is still responsible for full compliance of all applicable State and Federal regulations.