

COVID-19 PPE DECONTAMINATION RECOMMENDATIONS

QUICK-REFERENCE INFOGRAPHIC

N95/P100 FFR

- Extend Operational Life
(do not store in plastic containers)
- Reuse By Same Operator
(following daily inspection)
- Decon with bleach solution
(1:6 ratio, bleach:H₂O, soak 5min, rinse - dry over night)
- Replace when breathing resistance is uncomfortable



SCBA APR/PAPR

- Reuse, by same operator, canisters
(wipe down with disinfectant, DO NOT SPRAY)
- Store in humidity free area when not in use
- Wash all respirators per manufacturer instructions

FACE/EYEWEAR

- Use goggles rated D3 or D5 per ANSI Z87.1
- Preference should be goggles over faceshields/safety glasses
- Wash eyewear and use disinfectant
- Clean and disinfect reusable eyewear between patients



MEDICAL GLOVES

- Wear medical grade or NFPA 1999 exam gloves
- Dispose of gloves after use
- Gloves can be wiped or rinsed with alcohol during use
- Always practice hand cleaning/sanitizing

CLOTHING

- Use barrier clothing over work uniform
- Extended contact: use clothes that meet ASTM F1671
(e.g., EMS - NFPA 1999)
- Wash clothes at warmest temp allowed
- Use EPA- approved laundry sanitizer



STRUCTURAL & WILDLAND PPE

- Only use if no other PPE is available
- Use specialized cleaning post-exposure with wash temp of 140F and apply verified sanitization process
(e.g., EPA-approved laundry sanitizer)



REMEMBER:

- Limit number of responders exposed
- Wash your hands regularly and thoroughly
- Change/laundry clothes quickly after exposure
- Clean equipment and surfaces after every call
- Maintain distancing when possible

SCAN TO STAY UP TO DATE ON THE LATEST COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR FIRE & EMS FROM THE IAFC:

