

- PCAs or professional foresters and their employees performing crop adviser tasks. (3CCR § 6720)
- Consumer products see 3CCR § 6720(e).

11. Fit Test Records 3CCR § 6739(p)(2)

Scope: Employers of persons wearing respirators when required by registered pesticide labeling, restricted material permit condition, regulations or the employer.

Ask the employer how he/she performs employee fit testing. Ask what procedure is used to assure that respirators are cleaned and sanitized and where the equipment is stored.

Review the fit test records and verify that they contain the required information:

- Name of employee
- Date and type of test
- Specific type of respirator
- Test results

Exemptions:

- Employees who use any respirator in accordance with voluntary respirator provisions.
- Employees who voluntarily use any respirator not provided by the employer.
- PCAs or professional foresters and their employees performing crop adviser tasks. (3CCR § 6720)
- Consumer products see 3CCR § 6720(e).

12. Respirators Inspected 3CCR § 6739(j)(1)

Scope:

- Employers who maintain routine-use respirators when required by any pesticide labeling, restricted material permit condition, regulation or the employer.
- Employers who maintain emergency-use respirators.
- Employers of employees who voluntarily use respirators supplied by the employer.

Verify that routine use respirators are inspected before each use and during cleaning. Verify that at least one routine use SCBA cylinder at the use site starts the day at 80 percent of capacity or greater.

Verify that respirators maintained for stand-by or emergency use are inspected at least monthly and according to the manufacturer's recommendations. A record of the most recent inspection shall be maintained on the respirator or its storage container. Look for the required tags or labels. Do they indicate that the emergency use and escape-only respirators have been inspected regularly?

Verify that emergency respirators are stored in clearly marked containers accessible to the work area in a manner that they can be safely utilized in an emergency. [3CCR § 6739(i)]

Exemptions:

- Employees who voluntarily use any respirator not provided by the employer.
- Employees who voluntarily use dust filtering respirators (dust masks) provided by the employer.
- PCAs or professional foresters and their employees performing crop adviser tasks. (3CCR § 6720)
- Consumer products see 3CCR § 6720(e).

13. Respirator Storage 3CCR § 6739(h)(4)

Scope: Employers storing respirators when respirator use is required by registered pesticide labeling, restricted material permit condition, regulations or the employer provides respirators to employees.

Verify that respirators are stored in a manner that protects them from damage, contamination, dust, sunlight, extreme temperatures, excessive moisture and damaging chemicals. Respirators must also be stored in a manner that prevents the face-piece and exhalation valve from deformation.

Exemptions:

- PCAs or professional foresters and their employees performing adviser tasks. (3CCR § 6720)
- Consumer products see 3CCR § 6720(e).

14. Voluntary Use Display 3CCR § 6739(b)(2)

Scope: Employers who permit employees to use respirators when not required by registered pesticide labeling, restricted material permit condition, regulations or the employer.

Verify that the information listed in 3CCR § 6739(r) is displayed alongside the PSIS A-8 or N-8 as appropriate. If it is determined that any employees are wearing respirators (other than a filtering face-piece/dust mask) on a voluntary basis and that the respirator(s) are provided by the employer, also verify that the employer has a written respiratory protection program that includes:

- The employer has determined that respirator use will not create a hazard.
- The employer ensures that employees are medically able to use a respirator.
- Respirators are cleaned, stored and maintained appropriately.
- The employer provides medical evaluation and respirator training at no cost to the employee.
- The employer is not charging the employee for any respirator provided.

Exemptions:

- Voluntary use of employer-supplied filtering face-pieces (dust masks) is exempt from the provisions bulleted above.
- PCAs or professional foresters and their employees performing crop adviser tasks. (3CCR § 6720)
- Consumer products see 3CCR § 6720(e).