

RESPIRATORY ASSESSMENT

COA DEPARTMENT:	
SUPERVISOR NAME:	

DATE:

There are numerous respiratory hazards that are associated with working in agriculture.

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In order to assess each employee's exposure to respiratory hazards, please complete this hazard assessment form. Mark all that apply.

Hazard	Source	Diseases/Illnesses
DUSTS ☐ Organic Dust ☐ Molds, bacterial endotoxin	Animal confinement, silos, grain production/storage	ODTS, FHP, Chronic bronchitis, sinus conditions, asthma,
☐ Grain ☐ Inorganic dust	Plowing, tilling, harvest, picking fruit	Aggravation of underlying respiratory conditions, bronchitis
GASES ☐ Animal confinement gases: ☐ Ammonia, hydrogen sulfide	Manure decomposition in hog, cattle, and poultry animal confinement	ODTS, chronic bronchitis, sinus conditions, mucous membrane inflammation, Pulmonary edema respiratory arrest
☐ Nitrogen dioxide	Fermented grains in silos	Silo-filler's disease Bronchiolitis obliterans
☐ Anhydrous ammonia	Liquid fertilizer	Corneal/laryngeal burns Bronchiolitis obliterans
☐ Carbon monoxide	Pressure washers, kerosene heaters, gas engines indoors	Respiratory arrest, coma, neurologic damage pulmonary edema
☐ Zinc oxide, metal fumes	Welding	Metal fume fever
CHEMICALS ☐ Pesticides (organophosphates, paraquat)	Pesticide application, intentional or accidental ingestion	Bronchospasm, pulmonary secretions, respiratory arrest, pulmonary fibrosis
☐ Laboratory	Toxic chemicals	Multiple repertory diseases
☐ Disinfectants, chlorine, solvents	Dairy operations	Respiratory irritants, Reactive airway dysfunction syndrome (RADS)
INFECTIOUS MICROORGANISMS ☐ Anthrax, Q fever, psittacosis, tularemia, blastomycosis, Hantavirus pulmonary	Infected soil and water, domestic swine, cattle, goats, sheep, rodents	Viral-like illnesses, pneumonia, meningitis, inhalational anthrax

Major Types of Respirators (Check all that apply)



Half mask/Dust mask APF=10 Needs to be fit tested



Half mask (Elastomeric) APF=10 Needs to be fit tested



Full facepiece (Elastomeric) APF=50 Needs to be fit tested



Loose-Fitting Powered Air-Purifying Respirator (PAPR) APF= 25

NIOSH only



Hood Powered Air-Purifying Respirator (PAPR) APF= 25



Full Facepiece Supplied-Air Respirator (SAR) with an auxiliary Escape Bottle
APF=1,000
APF = 10,000 (if used in "escape" mode)
Needs to be fit tested



Full Facepiece Abrasive Blasting Continuous Flow APF=1,000 Needs to be fit tested



Full Facepiece Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) Pressure demand mode is APF=10,000 Needs to be fit tested



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Dust Mask only

Duration of respirator use		Frequency of respirator use			
☐ Escape only (no rescue)		☐ Less than 5	☐ Less than 5 times per year		
☐ Emergency rescue only		\Box 5 to 10 times per year			
☐ Less than 2 hours per us	se $\hfill\Box$ About once per month		per month		
☐ 2 to 4 hours per use		☐ About once per week			
\square More than 4 hours per ι	ıse	☐ Other:			
Expected physical work ef	fort				
☐ Light/Sedentary	☐ Moderate	☐ Strenuous	☐ Very Strenuous		