

Best Practice

BREATHING APPARATUS

BASIS

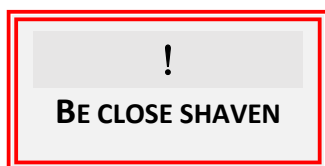
- **Good Health** Physical and psychological to wear a breathing apparatus.
- **FIT test** taken To be repeated in case of mask or appearance change, or every two years.

VISUAL INSPECTION

- BEFORE EACH USE BY EMPLOYEE
- ONCE A MONTH BY COMPANY



Check :	<i>Tear, crack, filth, wear; proper elasticity.</i>	
On all elements:	<i>Face pieces Inhalation and Exhalation membranes Adjustment straps</i>	<i>Filters / Cartridges Pump, pipes, canister – if applicable</i>

ADJUST MASK – IN A CLEAN ATMOSPHERE



- Put the breathing apparatus on face, underneath the chin
- Fit the top harness on top of the head
- Attach the bottom straps behind the neck
- Adjust, beginning by the top straps, then the bottom ones

SEAL TESTS – EACH TIME THE MASK IS PUT ON

<i>Negative Pressure Test</i>	<i>Positive Pressure Test</i>
Block the inhalation valves Breathe in slowly, the mask should collapse slightly on the face.	Block exhalation valve Breathe out slightly, the mask should bulge a little.
	



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TAKE OFF THE MASK – OUTSIDE THE CONTAMINATED AREA

- Eliminate a maximum of dust on the outside of the mask
- Loosen straps
- Tilt the head and take off the mask **downward**

CARE

- Clean the external parts of the filters
- Take apart and clean all pieces with warm water and mild soap, occasionally alcohol-free wipes
- Let it dry

STORAGE

- Used filters should be taken off the mask
- Store the breathing apparatus, filters and cartridges in different airtight containers
- Store in a clean, dry place, away from sunlight, contaminants or an excessive heat or cold source