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This instruction supplements Air Force Occupational Safety and Health (AFOSH) Standard 48-137, *Respiratory Protection Program*, dated 10 February 2005. This supplement describes Los Angeles Air Force Base's (LAAFB) procedures for use in conjunction with the basic AFOSH standard. This supplement is applicable to all Space and Missile Systems (SMC) organizations and other organizations located on Los Angeles AFB, CA, or supported by SMC in the Los Angeles Area.

1.15. (Added) All personnel temporarily assigned to LAAFB, i.e. Active Duty Air Force, Air National Guard, Air Force Reserve, and Department of Defense civilian personnel who have duties that require respiratory protection shall contact the 61 Medical Dental Operations Squadron, Bioenvironmental Engineering (BEE) for guidance prior to use.

2.8.6. (Added) Appoint in writing a "Respirator Maintainer" who is responsible for the use, maintenance, inspection, and care of common use, emergency or escape respirators, as appropriate. A copy of the appointment letter must be provided to BEE.

2.14.1. (Replaced) BEE will develop and provide a blank "Respirator Medical Evaluation Questionnaire" and "Medical Clearance for Respirator Use" letter to Force Health Management (FHM). FHM will administer the "Respirator Medical Evaluation Questionnaire" per 29 CFR 1910.134 and "Medical Clearance for Respirator Use" to individuals placed on the respiratory protection program. A "Medical Clearance for Respirator Use" letter is required prior to initial fit testing and wearing a respirator.

2.14.4. (Added) Provide BEE "Medical Clearance for Respirator Use" letter for personnel who have been medically cleared by a physician or other licensed health care professional to wear a respirator.

4.4. (Added) Supervisors will ensure the purchase of spectacle insert frames at unit expense, in coordination with BEE, for individuals that require their use when wearing a full-face, tight-fitting respirator.

4.4. (Added) Upon receipt of spectacle insert frames, the wearer must contact the 61 Medical Dental Operations Squadron's Optometry Clinic to coordinate having the frames fitted with lenses.

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