



Respirator Medical Evaluation Questionnaire

Company Name: _____

To the employee:

Can you read (circle one): ___ Yes ___ No

Your employer must allow you to answer this questionnaire during normal working hours, or at a time and place that is convenient to you. To maintain your confidentiality, your employer or supervisor must not look at or review your answers, and your employer must tell you how to deliver or send this questionnaire to the health care professional who will review it.

Part A. Section 1. (Mandatory) The following information must be provided by every employee who has been selected to use any type of respirator (please print).

1. Today's date: _____

2. Your name: _____

3. Your age (to nearest year): _____

4. Sex (check one): ___ Male ___ Female

5. Your height: _____ ft. _____ in.

6. Your weight: _____ lbs.

7. Your job title: _____

8. A phone number where you can be reached by the health care professional who reviews this questionnaire (include the Area Code): _____ - _____ - _____

9. The best time to phone you at this number: _____

10. Has your employer told you how to contact the health care professional who will review this questionnaire (check one): ___ Yes ___ No

11. Check the type of respirator you will use (you can check more than one category):

a. ___ N, R, or P disposable respirator (filter-mask, non-cartridge type only).

b. ___ Other type (for example, half- or full-face piece type, powered-air purifying, supplied-air, self-contained breathing apparatus).

12. Have you worn a respirator (check one): ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," what type(s): _____

Part A. Section 2. (Mandatory) Questions 1 through 9 below must be answered by every employee who has been selected to use any type of respirator (check one "yes" or "no").

1. Do you **currently** smoke tobacco, or have you smoked tobacco in the last month: (check one): ___Yes ___No

2. Have you **ever had** any of the following conditions?

- a. Seizures (fits): ___Yes ___ No
- b. Diabetes (sugar disease): ___Yes ___ No
- c. Allergic reactions that interfere with your breathing: ___Yes ___ No
- d. Claustrophobia (fear of closed-in places): ___Yes ___ No
- e. Trouble smelling odors: ___Yes ___ No

3. Have you **ever had** any of the following pulmonary or lung problems?

- a. Asbestosis: ___Yes ___ No
- b. Asthma: ___Yes ___ No
- c. Chronic bronchitis: ___Yes ___ No
- d. Emphysema: ___Yes ___ No
- e. Pneumonia: ___Yes ___ No
- f. Tuberculosis: ___Yes ___ No
- g. ilicosis: ___Yes ___ No
- h. Pneumothorax (collapsed lung): ___Yes ___ No
- i. Lung cancer: ___Yes ___ No
- j. Broken ribs: ___Yes ___ No
- k. Any chest injuries or surgeries: ___Yes ___ No
- l. Any other lung problem that you've been told about: ___Yes ___ No

4. Do you currently have any of the following symptoms of pulmonary or lung illness?

- a. Shortness of breath: ___Yes ___ No
- b. Shortness of breath when walking fast on level ground or walking up a slight hill or incline: ___Yes ___ No
- c. Shortness of breath when walking with other people at an ordinary pace on level ground: ___Yes ___ No
- d. Have to stop for breath when walking at your own pace on level ground: ___Yes ___ No
- e. Shortness of breath when washing or dressing yourself: ___Yes ___ No
- f. Shortness of breath that interferes with your job: ___Yes ___ No
- g. Coughing that produces phlegm (thick sputum): ___Yes ___ No
- h. Coughing that wakes you early in the morning: ___Yes ___ No
- i. Coughing that occurs mostly when you are lying down: ___Yes ___ No
- j. Coughing up blood in the last month: ___Yes ___ No
- k. Wheezing: ___Yes ___ No
- l. Wheezing that interferes with your job: ___Yes ___ No
- m. Chest pain when you breathe deeply: ___Yes ___ No
- n. Any other symptoms that you think may be related to lung problems: ___Yes ___ No

5. Have you ever had any of the following cardiovascular or heart problems?

- a. Heart attack: ___Yes ___ No
- b. Stroke: ___Yes ___ No
- c. Angina: ___Yes ___ No
- d. Heart failure: ___Yes ___ No
- e. Swelling in your legs or feet (not caused by walking): ___Yes ___ No
- f. Heart arrhythmia (heart beating irregularly): ___Yes ___ No
- g. High blood pressure: ___Yes ___ No
- h. Any other heart problem that you've been told about: ___Yes ___ No

6. Have you **ever had** any of the following cardiovascular or heart symptoms?
- a. Frequent pain or tightness in your chest: ___ Yes ___ No
 - b. Pain or tightness in your chest during physical activity: ___ Yes ___ No
 - c. Pain or tightness in your chest that interferes with your job: ___ Yes ___ No
 - d. In the past two years, have you noticed your heart skipping or missing a beat: ___ Yes ___ No
 - e. Heartburn or indigestion that is not related to eating: ___ Yes ___ No
 - f. Any other symptoms that you think may be related to heart or circulation problems: ___ Yes ___ No

7. Do you **currently** take medication for any of the following problems?

- a. Breathing or lung problems: ___ Yes ___ No
- b. Heart trouble: ___ Yes ___ No
- c. Blood pressure: ___ Yes ___ No
- d. Seizures (fits): ___ Yes ___ No

8. If you've used a respirator, have you **ever had** any of the following problems? (If you've never used a respirator, check the following space and go to question 9:)

- a. Eye irritation: ___ Yes ___ No
- b. Skin allergies or rashes: ___ Yes ___ No
- c. Anxiety: ___ Yes ___ No
- d. General weakness or fatigue: ___ Yes ___ No
- e. Any other problem that interferes with your use of a respirator: ___ Yes ___ No

9. Would you like to talk to the health care professional who will review this questionnaire about your answers to this questionnaire: ___ Yes ___ No

Questions 10 to 15 below must be answered by every employee who has been selected to use either a full-face piece respirator or a self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA). For employees who have been selected to use other types of respirators, answering these questions is voluntary.

10. Have you **ever lost** vision in either eye (temporarily or permanently): ___ Yes ___ No

11. Do you **currently** have any of the following vision problems?

- a. Wear contact lenses: ___ Yes ___ No
- b. Wear glasses: ___ Yes ___ No
- c. Color blind: ___ Yes ___ No
- d. Any other eye or vision problem: ___ Yes ___ No

12. Have you **ever had** an injury to your ears, including a broken ear drum: ___ Yes ___ No

13. Do you **currently** have any of the following hearing problems?

- a. Difficulty hearing: ___ Yes ___ No
- b. Wear a hearing aid: ___ Yes ___ No
- c. Any other hearing or ear problem: ___ Yes ___ No

14. Have you **ever had** a back injury: ___ Yes ___ No

15. Do you **currently** have any of the following musculoskeletal problems?
- a. Weakness in any of your arms, hands, legs, or feet: ___ Yes ___ No
 - b. Back pain: ___ Yes ___ No
 - c. Difficulty fully moving your arms and legs: ___ Yes ___ No
 - d. Pain or stiffness when you lean forward or backward at the waist: ___ Yes ___ No
 - e. Difficulty fully moving your head up or down: ___ Yes ___ No
 - f. Difficulty fully moving your head side to side: ___ Yes ___ No
 - g. Difficulty bending at your knees: ___ Yes ___ No
 - h. Difficulty squatting to the ground: ___ Yes ___ No
 - i. Climbing a flight of stairs or a ladder carrying more than 25 lbs: ___ Yes ___ No
 - j. Any other muscle or skeletal problem that interferes with using a respirator: ___ Yes ___ No

Part B Any of the following questions, and other questions not listed, may be added to the questionnaire at the discretion of the health care professional who will review the questionnaire.

1. In your present job, are you working at high altitudes (over 5,000 feet) or in a place that has lower than normal amounts of oxygen: ___ Yes ___ No

If “yes,” do you have feelings of dizziness, shortness of breath, pounding in your chest, or other symptoms when you’re working under these conditions: ___ Yes ___ No

2. At work or at home, have you ever been exposed to hazardous solvents, hazardous airborne chemicals (e.g., gases, fumes, or dust), or have you come into skin contact with hazardous chemicals: ___ Yes ___ No

If “yes,” name the chemicals if you know them: _____

3. Have you ever worked with any of the materials, or under any of the conditions, listed below:

- a. Asbestos: ___ Yes ___ No
- b. Silica (e.g., in sandblasting): ___ Yes ___ No
- c. Tungsten/cobalt (e.g., grinding or welding this material): ___ Yes ___ No
- d. Beryllium: ___ Yes ___ No
- e. Aluminum: ___ Yes ___ No
- f. Coal (for example, mining): ___ Yes ___ No
- g. Iron: ___ Yes ___ No
- h. Tin: ___ Yes ___ No
- i. Dusty environments: ___ Yes ___ No
- j. Any other hazardous exposures: ___ Yes ___ No

If “yes,” describe these exposures: _____

4. List any second jobs or side businesses you have: _____

5. List your previous occupations: _____

6. List your current and previous hobbies: _____

7. Have you been in the military services? ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes/ were you exposed to biological or chemical agents (either in training or combat): ___ Yes ___ No

8. Have you ever worked on a HAZMAT team? ___ Yes ___ No

9. Other than medications for breathing and lung problems, heart trouble, blood pressure, and seizures mentioned earlier in this questionnaire, are you taking any other medications for any reason (including over-the-counter medications):
___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," name the medications if you know them: _____

10. Will you be using any of the following items with your respirator(s)?

a. HEPA Filters: ___ Yes ___ No

b. Canisters (for example, gas masks): ___ Yes ___ No

c. Cartridges: ___ Yes ___ No

11. How often are you expected to use the respirator(s) (check "yes" or "no" for all answers that apply to you)?:

a. Escape only (no rescue): ___ Yes ___ No

b. Emergency rescue only: ___ Yes ___ No

c. Less than 5 hours per week: ___ Yes ___ No

d. Less than 2 hours per day: ___ Yes ___ No

e. 2 to 4 hours per day: ___ Yes ___ No

f. Over 4 hours per day: ___ Yes ___ No

12. During the period you are using the respirator(s), is your work effort:

a. **Light** (less than 200 kcal per hour): ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," how long does this period last during the average shift: _____ hours _____ minutes.

Examples of a light work effort are **sitting** while writing, typing, drafting, or performing light assembly work; or **standing** while operating a drill press (1-3 lbs.) or controlling machines.

b. **Moderate** (200 to 350 kcal per hour): ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," how long does this period last during the average shift: _____ hours _____ minutes.

Examples of moderate work effort are **sitting** while nailing or filing; **driving** a truck or bus in urban traffic; **standing** while drilling, nailing, performing assembly work, or transferring a moderate load (about 35 lbs.) at trunk level; **walking** on a level surface about 2 mph or down a 5-degree grade about 3 mph; or **pushing** a wheelbarrow with a heavy load (about 100 lbs.) on a level surface.

3. **Heavy** (above 350 kcal per hour): ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," how long does this period last during the average shift: _____ hours _____ minutes.

Examples of heavy work are **lifting** a heavy load (about 50 lbs.) from the floor to your waist or shoulder; working on a loading dock; **shoveling**; **standing** while bricklaying or chipping castings; **walking** up an 8-degree grade about 2 mph; climbing stairs with a heavy load (about 50 lbs.).

13. Will you be wearing protective clothing and/or equipment (other than the respirator) when you're using your respirator: ___ Yes ___ No

If "yes," describe this protective clothing and/or equipment: _____

14. Will you be working under hot conditions (temperature exceeding 77 deg. F): ___ Yes ___ No

15. Will you be working under humid conditions: ___ Yes ___ No

16. Describe the work you'll be doing while you're using your respirator(s):

17. Describe any special or hazardous conditions you might encounter when you're using your respirator(s) (for example, confined spaces, life-threatening gases):

18. Provide the following information, if you know it, for each toxic substance that you'll be exposed to when you're using your respirator(s):

Name of the first toxic substance: _____

Estimated maximum exposure level per shift: _____

Duration of exposure per shift: _____

Name of the second toxic substance: _____

Estimated maximum exposure level per shift: _____

Duration of exposure per shift: _____

Name of the third toxic substance: _____

Estimated maximum exposure level per shift: _____

Duration of exposure per shift: _____

The name of any other toxic substances that you'll be exposed to while using your respirator:

19. Describe any special responsibilities you'll have while using your respirator(s) that may affect the safety and well-being of others (for example, rescue, security): _____