

Non Fit-Tested N95



What is a non fit-tested N95?

- It is a certified N95 mask approved by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) that does not require a formal fit test, but does require a seal check.
- Non fit-tested N95s have a higher level of filtration than a Level 1, 2 or 3 mask and can be formed to the face to provide a higher level of protection.



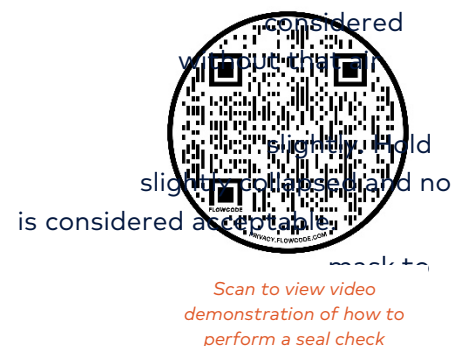
What is a seal check?

- It is a quick check performed by the user each time the mask is put on.
- It will help determine if the mask is properly positioned on your face or if it needs to be readjusted.
- It does not replace a fit test.

How do I perform a seal check?



- Put on the mask and adjust it to fit securely.
- Do either a positive pressure seal check and/or a negative pressure seal check.
- Positive pressure check: Exhale gently into the face mask. The face fit is acceptable when air can be built up inside of the face mask leaking out of the sides of the mask.
- Negative pressure check: Inhale gently so that the face mask collapses your breath for ten seconds. If the face mask remains outside air enters into the mask, the face fit
- If you were unable to achieve a successful seal check, then try another achieve a successful user seal check.



How do I know if my mask is compromised?



- Masks should be thrown in the trash at the end of each shift, **or** if you identify that the mask is compromised.
- If the structural and/or functional integrity of any part of the mask is compromised, it should be thrown away.
- If your mask is soiled, wet, damaged, dirty, or extremely hard to breathe through, it should be thrown away.

For more information refer to:

<https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1910/1910.134AppB1>

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/hcp/ppe-strategy/face-masks.html>

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