CBU Direction for the Use of Masks

Surgical Masks

- Surgical masks are required for all tasks of 2 or more workers performing work within the 2m social distancing guideline.
- Examples include, working on the rig floor, rigging-in and out equipment, bolting up pipe spools, lifting/carrying equipment and driving to and from the worksite.

N95 or RN95 Masks

- Medical personnel are required to don N95 or RN95 masks when treating injured or sick workers
- When at risk of encountering an infected person or contaminated objects and surfaces.
- Required when 2 or more workers performing tasks within the 2m social distancing guideline and a disposable surgical mask is not available.

The use of P100 respirators with organic vapour cartridges can be used in place of N-95 masks, if none exist. When possible, restrict the use of P100 respirators to work tasks that require protection from hazardous atmospheres as per the chemical SDS or industry practice.

Mask Specifications

N95, RN95 and disposable surgical masks that meet CBU COVID-19 guidelines conform to the standard adopted by Health Canada.

- N95 masks must meet NIOSH 42 CFR Part 84 approval
- RN95 masks must conform to the standard adopted by the country of manufacture, as per Health Canada and the US CDC guidance. These adopted standards include, GB 2626-2006, GB 2626-2019, and GB 19083-2010.

Disposable surgical masks manufactured in the US or Canada must meet one of,

- CPSC CS-191-53 Flammability Test Method (16 CFR 1610)
 Standard for Flammability of Clothing Textiles, or
- NFPA Standard 702-1980: Standard for Classification of Flammability of Wearing Apparel, or
- UL 2154

Disposable surgical masks manufactured in China must meet GB/T 32610-2016.

Disposable surgical masks manufactured in Europe must meet EC approval 93/42/EEC Annex VII.



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