

# N95 Tool Kit: Algorithms and Compliance 10.22.20 1232

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#### Situation

Supply Chain has secured several types on N95 respirators. Some of these N95s are not intended for surgical/procedural areas. The PPE Integrated Workgroup has developed an algorithm and guide to help determine which respirators are appropriate for use.

## Background

Spectrum Health Supply Chain has worked to secure stock of different brands/models of N95 respirators due to the 3M shortage. Since there are several types of N95s, Occupational Health has established fit testing clinics to ensure proper fit of N95 respirators.

### **Assessment**

There is an abundant supply of N95s procured by Supply Chain. In order to provide enough N95s for team members, we must utilize appropriate N95s makes/models for all units to ensure that we have enough supply through the COVID-19 pandemic.

## Recommendation

- The PPE Integrated Workgroup is asking that team members are fit tested and using N95 respirators appropriate for their area.
- Do not use N95s that have not been fit tested to a team member. Performing seal checks on N95s will no longer be an acceptable option, if the team member has not been fit tested to that specific make/model of N95.
- If your unit has stock of N95s not approved for your area, please send these back to Supply Chain.

## Included in this Tool Kit

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## N95 Respirator Usage Guidelines Table

Respirator Model	Description	Approved Usage
3M 1860	<ul> <li>Dome-shaped</li> <li>Blue-green</li> <li>Stamped with "1860" on the front.</li> <li>Regular fit</li> <li>Lawson # 651394</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fluid resistant</li> <li>Approved for use in surgical and procedural areas</li> </ul>
3M 1860S  NIOSH 3M 1860S	<ul> <li>Dome-shaped</li> <li>Blue-green</li> <li>Stamped with "1860" on the front.</li> <li>Smaller fit</li> <li>Lawson # 651395</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Currently in use for Surgical Services only</li> <li>May use in other patient care areas as supplies allow</li> </ul>
3M 8210  3M 8210 Plus	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>White</li> <li>Stamped with "3M 8210" on the front.</li> <li>Universal fit</li> <li>Lawson # 654150</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approved for use in non-surgical/non-procedural areas</li> <li>Face shield</li> </ul>
SM 8210 Plus (b)  An agree and party of the control	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>White</li> <li>Stamped with "3M 8210 plus on the front.</li> <li>Universal fit Lawson # 654150</li> </ul>	required when splash anticipated
3M 9205+  Aura**2055*********************************	<ul> <li>White</li> <li>Three panels</li> <li>Stamped with "9205+" on the front. Universal fit</li> <li>Universal fit</li> <li>Lawson # 654898</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approved for use in non-surgical/non- procedural areas</li> <li>Face shield required when splash anticipated</li> </ul>



Makrite  MAKRITE 9500-N95 TC-84A-5411 NIOSH N95	■ Dome shaped ■ White ■ Stamped with "Makrite 9500- N95" on the front. ■ Universal fit ■ Lawson # 139485	<ul> <li>Fluid resistant</li> <li>Currently for use on Surgical Services only</li> <li>Approved for use in surgical and procedural areas</li> </ul>
GERSON 1730 NIOSH N95 PARTICULATE RESPIRATOR	■ Dome shaped ■ White ■ Stamped with "Gerson 1730" on the front. ■ Universal fit ■ Lawson # 139486	<ul> <li>Currently unavailable to order</li> <li>Fluid resistant</li> <li>Currently for use on Surgical Services only</li> <li>Approved for use in surgical and procedural areas</li> </ul>
Moldex 1511 (Small)	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>Molded nose</li> <li>Light blue</li> <li>Has WHITE straps</li> <li>Small - typed on top strap</li> <li>Lawson # 138928</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fluid resistant</li> <li>Approved for use in surgical and procedural areas</li> </ul>
Moldex 1512 (Medium)	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>Molded nose</li> <li>Light blue</li> <li>Has LIGHT BLUE straps</li> <li>Medium - typed on top strap</li> <li>Lawson # 138927</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Currently for use on Surgical Services only</li> <li>May use in other patient care areas as supplies allow</li> </ul>



Moldex 1513 (Large)	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>Molded nose</li> <li>Light blue</li> <li>Has TAN straps</li> <li>Large - typed on top strap</li> <li>Lawson # 138926</li> </ul>	
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Dasheng  DTC3W TC-84A-4335 NIOSH N95	<ul> <li>Dome shaped</li> <li>White</li> <li>Stamped with "DTC3W" on front</li> <li>Universal fit</li> <li>Lawson # 640124</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Approved for use in non-surgical/non-procedural areas</li> <li>Face shield required when splash anticipated</li> </ul>



## N95 Respirators, 3M Brand- What's the Difference?

Spectrum Health is planning to utilize multiple versions of 3M brand N95 respirators to support staff safety.

- 3M produces both industrial (9205+ and 8210+) and medical (1870+ and 1860) N95 respirators.
- The particulate filtration efficiency with all versions is identical.
- Respirators appear similar. They are identified by the information printed on the front.



- The 3M 9205+ and 8210+ are NOT approved for use in surgery or procedural areas due to anticipated splash risk due to lack of a fluid barrier.
- If splash is anticipated with the 3M 9305+ or 8210+, staff should don a face shield.

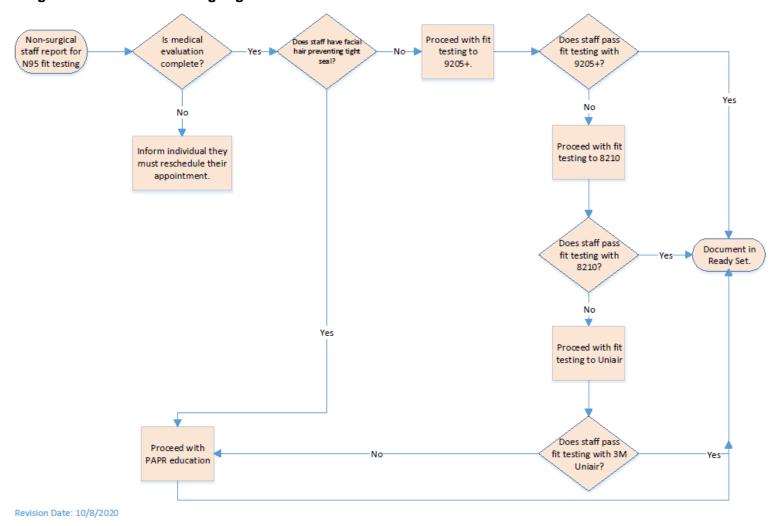
## 3M 1870+ and 1860



- Due to extremely limited quantity, 3M 1870+ and 1860 will be sequestered for surgery and procedural spaces due to anticipated splash risk.
- 1870+ and 1860 may be available for non-surgery/procedural area staff until they can be fit tested to a non-surgical grade N95 respirator (ex. Uniair, Dasheng, etc brands).

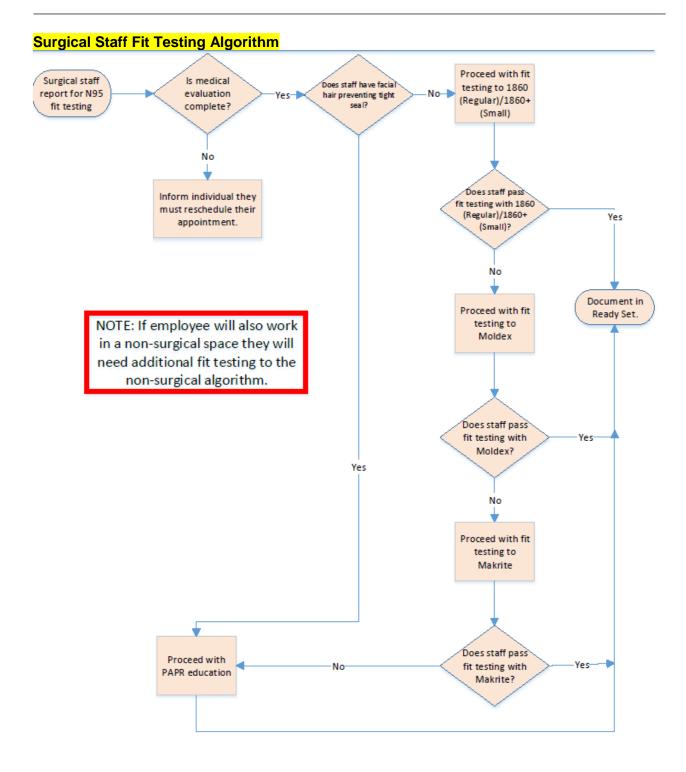


## Non-Surgical Staff N95 Fit Testing Algorithm



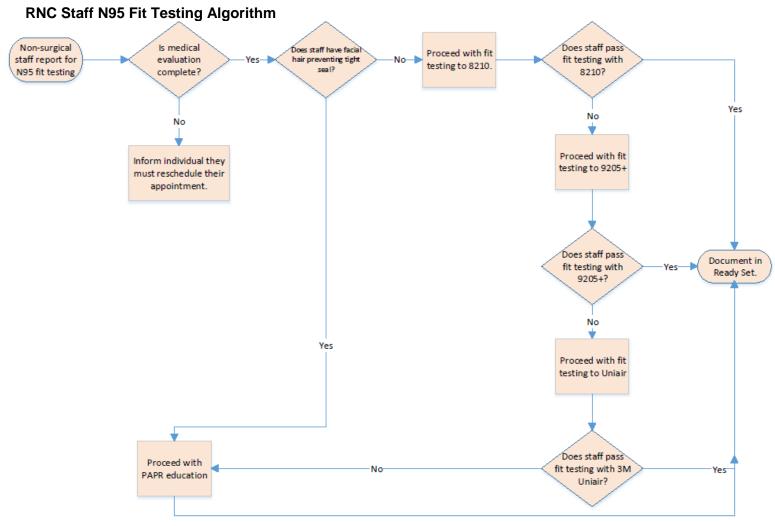
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## **PPE and Facial Hair**

The PPE Integrated Workgroup recommends for those working in at-risk areas to consider shaving. Recommendation apply to individuals who do not have a strong cultural or religious reason for facial hair. The presence of facial hair compromises the ability of the mask to fully protected you:

- Certain facial hair, stubble, mustaches and beards make it impossible to get a good seal of a
  mask to the face.
- Respirators rely on a good seal against the face so when you breathe air in it is drawn into the filter material where the air is cleaned.
- If there are gaps around the edges of the mask, 'dirty' air will pass through these gaps and into your lungs.
- Traditionally, other styles of respirators have been available for team members with facial hair that need protection, but due to COVID-19, the PAPR/ CAPR and their filters are in short supply.

Team members can schedule a fit testing appointment by calling the Employee Health Event Team Hotline at 616.486.5544 or 1.877.548.3871 or email the Employee Health Services Event Team at healthassessments@spectrumhealth.org.

The CDC recommends the following facial hair styles:

