NOTE: If respirators are currently being worn or use is being considered, those allowing the practice or making the decision should read through this document carefully and ensure all requirements are met. If voluntary, please refer to the “Voluntary Respirator Usage Guidance” resource on EHS’s website for more information.

Filtering Facepiece Respirators (dust masks) that are NIOSH Approved R, P, or N95, 99, or 100

- Are you wearing the device on a voluntary basis?
  - **YES**
    - Obtain a copy of the “Voluntary Use” form on EHS’s website, sign it, and return a signed copy to EHS
  - **NO**
    - This means usage of the device is required. Contact EHS to perform a job hazard analysis if EHS has not done so already. If EHS determines the device is required, all provisions of the University’s Respiratory Protection Program will apply including annual training, annual fit testing, and periodic medical clearances. EHS will work with the affected individuals and departments to ensure all requirements are met.

Elastomeric (rubber) Facepiece Respirators that are NIOSH Approved R, P, or N95, 99, or 100

- Are you wearing the device on a voluntary basis?
  - **YES**
    - First, you **MUST** receive approval from your department to use this device; obtain a copy of the “Voluntary Use” form on EHS’s website, sign it, and return a copy to EHS; obtain a copy of the “Medical Questionnaire” form on EHS’s website and follow the instructions (the frequency of this process is one time only before initial use)
  - **NO**
    - This means usage of the device is required. Contact EHS to perform a job hazard analysis if EHS has not done so already. If EHS determines the device is required, all provisions of the University’s Respiratory Protection Program will apply including annual training, annual fit testing, and periodic medical clearances. EHS will work with the affected individuals and departments to ensure all requirements are met.