Guidelines: Emergency Eyewash & Shower

Introduction

This Safety Instruction outlines the requirements for the maintenance and use of Emergency Eyewash and Safety Shower units. This Safety Instruction outlines the requirements for the maintenance and use of Emergency Eyewash and Safety Shower units.

- Emergency Eyewash units are required in all areas where employees handle substances that are potentially injurious when in contact with the eyes, including areas where corrosive materials are used.
- Safety Showers are needed wherever there is a possibility that either highly corrosive or highly toxic chemicals may splash over substantial areas of the body.

HOW TO USE AN EMERGENCY EYEWASH

Do Not Panic!

Go Immediately!

Don't waste time!

- Shout out for help
- Activate lever
- Dust covers pop off
- Get your eyes directly into the water stream



- If you have contacts, gently remove them while flushing
- Hold your eyes open with your fingers
- Gently roll your eyes to ensure complete flushing
- Flush with copious amounts of water for at least 15 minutes
- Refer to safety data sheet for any further first aid requirements for the hazardous material involved.
- Seek medical attention after flushing the areas of contact.
- Notify PI or lab supervisor of the accident/incident/injury.
- Notify RAEHS and complete the online First Report of Injury via the Origami website

HOW TO USE AN EMERGENCY SHOWER

Do Not Panic!

Go Immediately!

Don't waste a moment!

- Shout out for help
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- Pull the shower handle
- Flush skin or affected area for at least 15 minutes.



- Remove contaminated clothing, shoes, and jewelry
- Use an uncontaminated lab coat or clothing to shield the affected individual to provide privacy and to offer body coverage.
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- Refer to safety data sheet for any further first aid requirements for the hazardous material involved.
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- Notify PI or lab supervisor of the accident/incident/injury.
- Notify RAEHS and complete the online First Report of Injury via the Origami website