



Crystal Safety Services
"Providing Clarity to Health & Safety"

Face Fit Testing

Disposable, Half Mask or Full Face Masks

Do you have employees who wear a tight fitting mask?

(those that rely on a seal to the face)

Has the mask been face fitted by an approved competent person?

Why is face fitting required?

A tight-fitting face piece (often referred to as masks) rely on having a good seal with the wearer's face.

Requirement for the Face Fit testing of masks is described in the Approved Code of Practices supporting:

- The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations
- The Control of Lead at Work Regulations
- The Control of Asbestos Regulations

If a Face Fit test is not undertaken, then an unsatisfactory seal may exist, allowing airborne contaminants to enter the wearer's breathing zone resulting in the loss of protection.

Face Fit testing is a method used for checking that a tight-fitting mask matches the person's facial features and seals adequately to the wearers face.

It has to be an individual test because one model will never fit everyone, and every face is different; sometimes a mask simply won't fit an individual.

Our Service

Our professional consultants are trained in accordance with the accredited HSE Fit2Fit program, to undertake qualitative fit testing.

The fit test is undertaken with those masks issued by the employer and the wearer must be clean-shaven.

Each fit test includes:

- Brief explanation of need for fit testing
- Explanation of fit test procedure
- Coaching on getting best fit with the Respiratory Protective Equipment as issued by the employer
- Performance of a qualitative fit test
- Certificate of fit test and written set of results