

WAC 296-307-70470 Use personal protective equipment (PPE) properly.

You must:

- (1) Make sure employees inspect PPE before, during and after use, following your plan's procedures.
- (2) Make sure employees put on (don) and remove (doff) PPE following your plan's procedures.
- (3) Make sure employees do not interchange self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) air cylinders from different manufacturers, unless all of the following apply:
 - There is a life-saving emergency
 - You need a supplemental air supply
 - The cylinders are of the same capacity and pressure rating.
- (4) Make sure compressed air cylinders used with SCBAs meet the testing and service life requirements of the United States Department of Transportation (USDOT). Search at: <http://www.dot.gov>.

Note: You can also check with the cylinder manufacturers to obtain USDOT test and service life specifications.

You must:

- (5) Make sure PPE is maintained in a safe and reliable condition using your plan's procedures. PPE maintenance includes:
 - Decontamination
 - Cleaning
 - Inspection
 - Identification of damage or defects
 - Parts repair or replacement
 - Storage or disposal.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 49.17.010, 49.17.040, 49.17.050, 49.17.060. WSR 05-01-166, § 296-307-70470, filed 12/21/04, effective 4/2/05.]