

# Face Masks and Face Covers...

## What you need to know!

# This is a dust mask (note the single strap)

A dust mask is a flexible pad held over the nose and mouth by elastic or rubber straps to protect against **dusts** encountered during construction or cleaning activities. A dust mask can also be worn to **protect against allergens**.

These are not a “tight fitting”



# This is a **cloth** face cover

**Cloth** face covers protect other people against infection from the person wearing the **cloth** face cover. These face covers trap large particles that may contain bacteria or viruses expelled **by the wearer**.

This face cover provides limited protection to the wearer.



These are not “tight fitting”

# This is a surgical mask

**Surgical masks protect other people against infection from the person wearing the surgical mask.** These masks trap large particles of body fluids that may contain bacteria or viruses expelled **by the wearer.**

This surgical mask provides limited protection to the wearer.

Notice the ear loops



These are not “tight fitting”

# This is a NIOSH N95 Respirator/Face Mask (note the double straps and markings)



It is **NOT** oil resistant, but  
when worn correctly, it will...

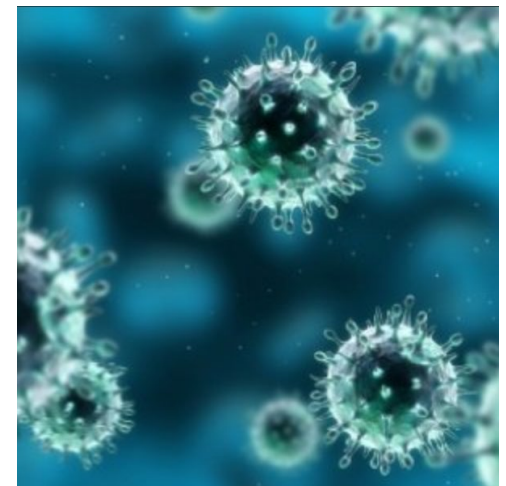
# Protect against:

## Particulate matter like:

- Dust
- Fumes
- Mists
- Aerosols
- Smoke

## It is also effective against biological particles like:

- Pollen
- Mold spores
- Bacteria
- Viruses
- Animal dander
- Allergens



If your employer *requires* you to wear a N95 respirator...remember the *intended* requirements for use are based on task analysis/job requirements

- 29 CFR 1910.134 applies
- You must complete the OSHA Respiratory Health Questionnaire
- You must be medically cleared
- You must be trained
- You must be clean shaven
- You must be fit-tested and pass
- It will be issued to you





# Extending the use of an N95



It is possible to lengthen the usefulness and serviceability of an N95 respirator by placing a **cloth face cover** over the top of the N95.

Use the N95 for as long as it is clean and not soiled.  
(usually can last 2 weeks)

When not in use, place the N95 and cloth face cover in separate paper bags for storage.



This is a half-faced respirator/face mask  
(**note the double cartridge connections**)  
NIOSH P100 Respirator

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When worn correctly,  
it will...



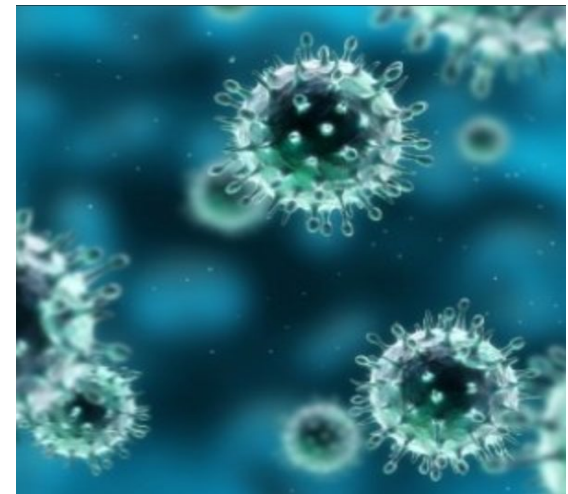
# Protect against:

## Particulate matter like:

- Oil particulates
- Dust
- Fumes
- Mists
- Aerosols
- Smoke

## It is also effective against biological particles like:

- Pollen
- Mold spores
- Bacteria
- Viruses
- Animal dander
- Allergens

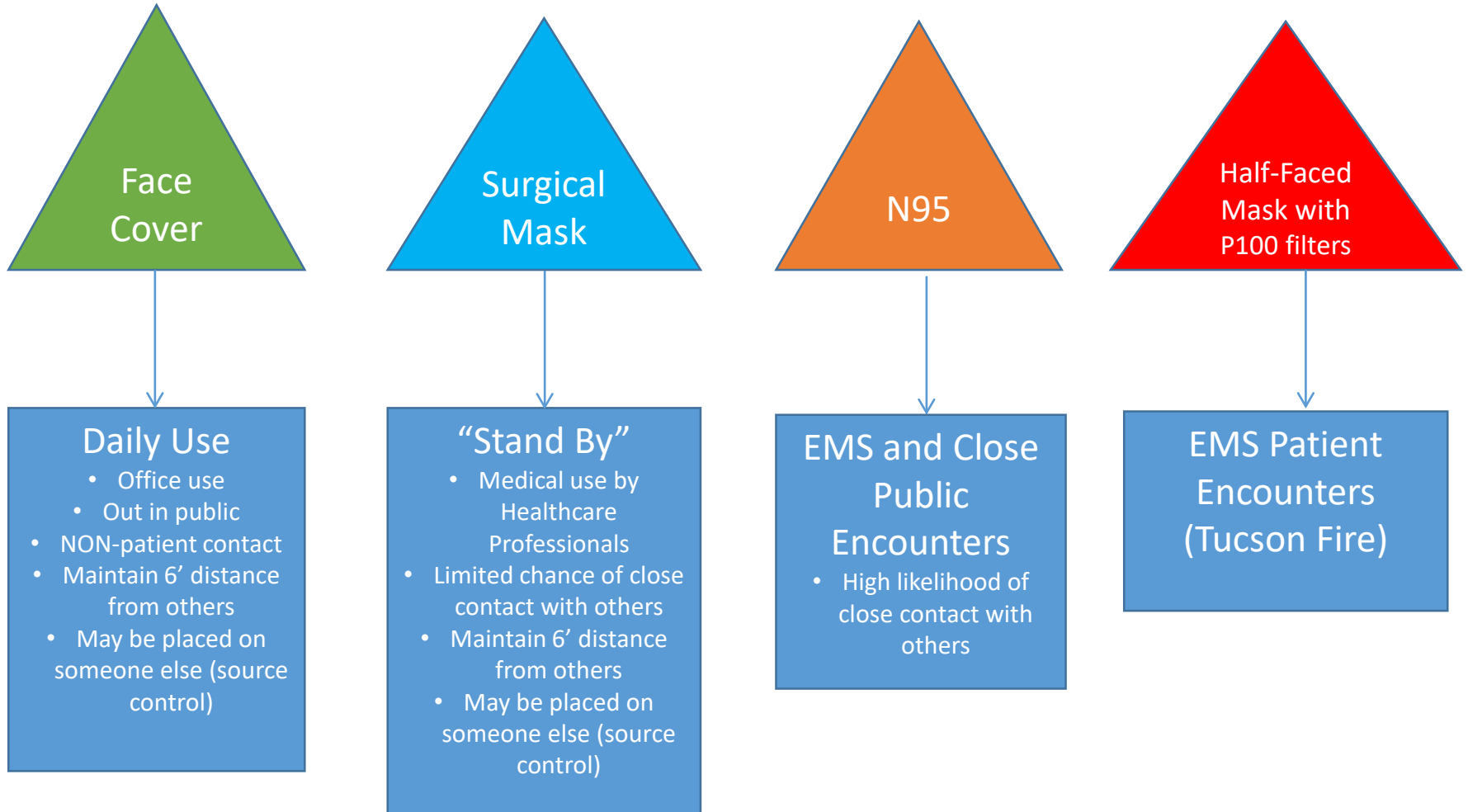


# If your employer requires you to wear a Half-Faced Mask/Respirator, remember...

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- You must be clean shaven
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# Face Cover and Face Mask USE Guide



# Proper Placement and Removal of Face Covers and Face Masks

- **WASH OR DISINFECT HANDS BEFORE PLACEMENT**
- Place face mask and/or face cover over nose and mouth.
- Refrain from touching face during placement.
- After use, DO NOT touch the front of the face cover or face mask.
- Remove by grasping the mask straps and pulling the mask away from your face and properly discard.
- **WASH OR DISINFECT HANDS AFTER PLACEMENT**

# Storage and Care of Face Masks and Face Covers

## *Storage*

- When not in use, store N95 respirator in a paper bag if already removed from package.
- When not in use, the cloth face covers can be stored in a separate paper bag.

## *Face Cover Washing*

- Wash dirty face covers regularly.
- Wash in hot water with regular detergent.
- Dry completely on hot setting.

# COVID-19 Resources

- [Pima County Health Department](#)
- [Arizona Department of Health and Human Services](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control](#)
- [Occupational Safety and Health Administration \(OSHA\)](#)

