

## **Eyewash/Shower Inspection Procedure**

Emergency eyewash and safety showers are required in areas where personnel can come into contact with hazardous materials that could harm eyes or skin. All eyewash and shower stations must be inspected weekly and the results logged (see Emergency Eyewash Test Record Form).

### ***Plumbed Eyewash Stations>Showers***

Fed from the domestic water supply

1. Ensure eye wash/shower is clear of obstructions and easily visible from all directions (adequate signage).
2. Flush weekly, and record the flushing on the Emergency Eyewash Test Record Form.
3. What to check when flushing:
  - a. Eyewash protection caps must be in place and in good condition.
  - b. The ON/OFF valves must be operational, activated by a single motion.
  - c. Water flow remains ON when the operator removes his/her hand.
  - d. Water flows freely and is directed at the proper angles to flush the eyes or body as appropriate.
4. Run the eyewash/shower for five seconds. The running (or collected) water must be clear:
  - a. If the water is clear, turn off water and sign the inspection tag.
  - b. If the water is cloudy, discolored, or contains sediment, start another five-second flush; stop; and then continue flushing at five-second intervals until the water flushes clear. Then initial the inspection tag.
5. Ensure the water used for flushing was captured in a suitable container (such as a plumbed drain, bucket, or large rolling waste can). If any water was spilled on the floor, dry the area before leaving to prevent a slipping hazard.

*Note If a plumbed eyewash station does not run clear after repeated flushings, contact the Safety Department immediately.*

# EMERGENCY EYEWASH TEST RECORD

Inspect this unit carefully before signing inspection record

Location of eyewash station: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE	INITIALS	DATE	INITIALS	DATE	INITIALS

NOTE ANY PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED HERE AND WHAT STEPS WERE TAKEN TO ELIMINATE PROBLEM:

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