

Respiratory Protection – CCR 6739

Recordkeeping / Documentation Requirements – see CCR 6739(p)

1. **Written Respiratory Protection Program** – If employee handlers wear respirators (required by label, regulation, conditions, or grower policy) the grower must establish a Written Respiratory Protection Program in compliance with CCR 6739 [see CCR6739(a)(2)]. A copy of the program shall be maintained during the period the employee uses a respirator and for three years after the employee no longer uses a respirator [see CCR 6739(p)(1)]. Any previous versions of the Program must be kept for three years [see CCR 6739(p)(3)].
2. **Medical Recommendation** – Grower must maintain a copy of the Medical Recommendation received from the physician or other licensed health care professional (PLHCP) regarding an employee's physical ability to wear a respirator [see CCR 6739(d)(5)(A)]. Regulation does not specify how long this record must be kept (three years is recommended).
3. **Emergency-use Respirator Inspection** – Emergency-use respirators must be inspected at least monthly using the criteria set forth in CCR 6739(j)(1)(A) and CCR 6739(j)(1)(B). Said inspection must be certified / documented in accordance with CCR 6739(j)(1)(B)(2.). The inspection certification record may be discarded after the subsequent certification record is completed.
4. **Program Evaluation** – Grower must consult with employees annually to assess the employee's views regarding effectiveness of the Respiratory Protection Program [see CCR 6739(n)(2)]. The employee consultation and evaluation must be documented in accordance with CCR 6739(n)(3). Regulation does not specify how long this record must be kept (three years is recommended).
5. **Annual Fit Test** – Grower shall maintain a record of the employee's annual fit test [see CCR 6739(p)(2)(A)]. This record shall be maintained during the period the employee uses a respirator and for three years after the employee no longer uses a respirator [see CCR 6739(p)(1)].