COVID-19 Hazard Assessment – Administrative Controls and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

The questions below will help to assess risk. Not all of the questions should be filled out, but will help identify areas that could be improved to reduce the impact of COVID-19.

Please answer the following questions about administrative controls and personal protective equipment (PPE) in the fire environment.

1. If required specifically for COVID-19, are respirators being used by ANY personnel in fire camp for protection against the COVID-19 hazard?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

If yes, by whom (do not include names, only occupation or job task)?

Respirator, type used (i.e. disposable N95, elastomeric etc)

2. If required specifically for COVID-19, are all personnel who are wearing respirators enrolled in a respiratory protection program?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

Additional Information:

3. Do personnel have access to and are they wearing the respirator for which they were fit tested to?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

Additional Information:

4. Have all personnel received training on respirator wear in a language they can understand?

☐ Yes
☐ No
Date form started ___/___/____  
Person responsible for form: __________________________ 
Fire Name: ____________________  
Incident Management Team: ____________________________ 

☐ Unsure  
☐ Other: ________________________________  

Additional Information: 

5. What elements does this training include:  
☐ When to use PPE  
☐ What PPE is necessary  
☐ How to put on, use, take off, dispose of, and maintain PPE  
☐ Limitations of PPE  
☐ Other: ________________________________  

6. Are there markings and signs for PPE donning and doffing procedures?  

7. Is hand hygiene stressed before and after handling all PPE?  
☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Unsure  
☐ Other: ________________________________  

Additional Information: 

8. Are personnel wearing PPE correctly?  
☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Unsure  
☐ Other: ________________________________  

Additional Information: 

9. If required specifically for COVID-19, PPE/facemasks/face shields are being provided by the fire?  
☐ Yes  
☐ No  
☐ Unsure  
☐ Other: ________________________________  

What types of PPE/facemasks/face shields are provided?
10. What types of other PPE is being provided?

11. Do workers who are wearing the PPE understand the following elements:

☐ When to use PPE
☐ What PPE is necessary
☐ How to put on, use, take off, dispose of, and maintain PPE
☐ Limitations of PPE

12. Are employees wearing PPE correctly?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: _____________________________

Additional Information:

13. Is there an area for donning and doffing PPE?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: _____________________________

Additional Information:

14. Are there challenges in sourcing PPE?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: _____________________________

Additional Information:

15. What is the IMT/fire managements policy for face coverings?
16. Are cloth face coverings required or recommended in fire camp and other shared spaces?

☐ Yes, they are required to be worn in all shared spaces (outside of the person’s unit) when physical distancing cannot be maintained
☐ Yes, they are recommended to be worn in all shared spaces (outside of the person’s unit) when physical distancing cannot be maintained
☐ No, they are not required or recommended
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

Please provide additional information about this. For example, where and when cloth-face coverings are used or not being used.

17. Are cloth face coverings used in areas outside of the fire camp? If yes, please indicate when they are worn

☐ Yes, all personnel are wearing them (when outside of the person’s unit) when physical distancing cannot be maintained
☐ Some personnel are wearing them (when outside of the person’s unit) when physical distancing cannot be maintained
☐ No personnel are wearing them (when outside of the person’s unit) when physical distancing cannot be maintained
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

Please provide additional information about this. For example, where and when cloth-face coverings are used or not being used.

18. Are there specific groups of workers who are NOT wearing cloth-face coverings when physical distancing cannot be maintained?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________

If yes, please provide information (no personal identifying information) about these workers and if known, the reason cloth-face coverings are not used.

19. If required, are cloth face coverings are being provided by the IMT?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other:______________________________
If yes, what types face coverings are provided?

Can all fire camp personnel obtain these covering or are they limited to certain personnel?

☐ Yes, all personnel can obtain them
☐ Some personnel can obtain them
☐ No, these are not provided to fire camp personnel
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: ____________________________

Explain the process for obtaining cloth-face coverings and limitations on personnel who can request and obtain them

20. Are there challenges in sourcing cloth face coverings?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: ____________________________

21. Are face coverings required for visitors?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: ____________________________

Additional information:

22. Are face-coverings being replaced when they are contaminated?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
☐ Other: ____________________________

Additional information:

23. Are laundered cloth face coverings provided at least daily when appropriate and laundry is available? Is there a mechanism for reporting supplies are low?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Unsure
24. Are workers instructed about the need to launder them routinely, depending on the frequency of use?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- Other:

Additional information:

25. Do cloth facing coverings interfere with performing of tasks?

- Yes
- No
- Unsure
- Other:

If so, how has that been addressed?