

## RPE Inspection Checklist

Inspection and maintenance is a requirement for all RPE except for disposable types and should be carried out by properly trained personnel. Thorough maintenance, examination and tests should be carried out at least once a month. However, if the RPE is used only occasionally, an examination and test should be carried out before use and, in any event, the interval should not exceed three months.

To use this form it is advised that the inspector addresses each question relevant to the RPE type and provides descriptive comments and details any remedial actions that need to take place. This form should then be handed to the Health & Safety Representative for the record keeping and action planning.

Make	Model
Serial No.	Type
	Half Face / Full Face / PAPR / Air Supplied

Component	Outcome		Comments / Action Required
	Yes	No	
General Condition			
Is the RPE in a clean condition?			
Is the RPE free from damage?			
Is the RPE stored in a clean and appropriate manner?			
Specific for Half Face RPE			
Is the face seal in good condition?			
Are the straps in a good condition?			
Are the buckles in good condition?			
Are the exhalation valves in good condition?			
Are the filters clean and in date?			
Are the filters fitted correctly?			
Specific for Full Face RPE			
Is the face seal in good condition?			
Are the straps in a good condition?			
Are the buckles in good condition?			
Are the exhalation valves in good condition?			
Are the filters clean, in date and fitted correctly?			
Is the visor in a good condition?			

Component	Outcome		Comments / Action Required
	Yes	No	
Specific for Powered Air Purifying Respirators (PAPR)			
Is the power pack free from damage?			
Is the head top free from damage?			
Is the connecting pipe in a good condition?			
Are all protective covers in a good condition?			
Are the filters clean and in date?			
Is the flow rate in line with the manufacturers data?			

Component	Outcome		Comments / Action Required
	Yes	No	
Specific for Air Supplied RPE			
Is the filter / delivery pack free from damage?			
Is the head top free from damage?			
Are the airline connections in a good condition?			
Are all protective covers in a good condition?			

Inspection Undertaken By	Job Title	Date of Inspection	Signature

### Record Keeping

This form should be stored alongside the documentation relevant to the established RPE programme either in a physical log book or electronic database system. Records are to be kept for a minimum of five years.