

## >>> Survivair Premier® Plus

### How to Don and Fit Check Your Sperian® Half-Mask Respirator

#### How to Don the Respirator



STEP 1

With cartridges or filters attached, fit facepiece on the bridge of the nose and swing the bottom of the facepiece into contact with the chin.



STEP 2

Bring the lower straps of the headband around the nape of the neck and attach the hook and ring together behind the head.



STEP 3

Bring the upper straps with the cradle over the crown of the head (above the ears) and pull the free ends of the straps equally on each side until a comfortable and secure fit is obtained.



STEP 4

Pull the free ends of the lower straps until the lower strap is secure.



STEP 5

Adjust the straps just tight enough to prevent any air leaks around the facepiece. It is not necessary to over tighten the straps. The straps have adjustable clips to secure the free ends down onto the middle of the straps after tightening. To release the straps, first pull off the free ends held by the clips, then push up on the tabs on the buckles with your thumbs and pull the facepiece away from your face. Unhook the lower straps, and remove the respirator.

*Perform a fit check before using the respirator.*

#### Fit Check Instructions

You must perform the following fit check each time the respirator is worn or before entering the contaminated area.



A – POSITIVE FIT CHECK

Hold the palm of your hand gently over the exhalation valve outlet. **See photo "A" below. DO NOT** distort the natural shape of the facepiece. Exhale gently and hold your breath to create and maintain a slight positive pressure inside the facepiece. If air leakage occurs, readjust the facepiece and headstraps, then retest.



B – NEGATIVE FIT CHECK

Cover the inlet of the cartridges and/or filters with the palms of your hands or another suitable item, such as a thin sheet of plastic or rubber. **See photo "B" below.** When the respirator is equipped with cartridges, filter retainers may be used as an aid. Alternatively, the cartridges may be removed to perform the fit check. If removed, Sperian recommends someone other than yourself reinstall them after a leak-tight fit is achieved. It is difficult for the wearer to reinstall the cartridges without disturbing the facepiece-to-face seal and to determine whether the cartridges are correctly seated against the facepiece. It is your responsibility to ensure that the facepiece-to-face seal is not disturbed when reinstalling the cartridges and that each cartridge is sealed against the facepiece. Inhale gently and hold your breath to slightly collapse the facepiece. If air leakage occurs, readjust the facepiece and headstraps, then retest. If filter retainers are used, **DO NOT** remove them after the fit check is completed. Removing the filter retainers may shift the facepiece and break the facepiece-to-face seal.

#### Warning

Always read cartridge labels prior to use to be certain that you have cartridges and/or filters that will provide the required protection. Filters labeled for protection against particulates only shall not be used for gases/vapors, and cartridges labeled for protection against gases/vapors only shall not be used for particulates. Both cartridges/filters must be of the same type. The failure to comply with this warning may lead to personal injury, illness, or death.

- Never remove the respirator for any reason while you are in the work area.
- You must leave the work area immediately if the facepiece-to-face seal is disturbed for any reason, such as:
  - a. Slipping due to excessive sweating or excessive head movement.
  - b. The facepiece becomes dislodged as a result of being knocked.
  - c. You sneeze or cough while wearing the facepiece.
  - d. You need to blow your nose, scratch covered areas of your face, or need to adjust your spectacles kit.
  - e. For any other reason that would cause the facepiece seal to be disturbed.
- You must restore the facepiece-to-face seal and perform a fit check in a non-hazardous environment before reentering the work area.
- The failure to comply with this warning may lead to serious personal injury, serious illness, or death.