Carnegie Mellon University Environmental Health & Safety FIRE   LAB   WORK	Environmental Health and Safety Laboratory Safety Tasks
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## **Laboratory Safety Tasks**

Frequency	Task	Action	Links to Resources
Daily	Cleaning, decluttering, and supplies for handwashing	Clean and declutter work areas Confirm that soap and paper towels are available for handwashing	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
	Chemical use and storage	Confirm that all chemical containers are capped, labeled, and stored properly	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
	Hazardous waste storage	Confirm that hazardous waste is capped, labeled, and stored in secondary containment in Satellite Accumulation areas	Chemical Waste Management
	Unattended operations	Check for unattended operations at the end of the day	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
Monthly	Eye wash stations	Check for functionality and record the date tested	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
	Fire extinguishers	Inspect fire extinguishers according to provided checklist	Fire Extinguisher Inspection Checklist
	Chemical waste pick- up	Check accumulation start dates on all hazardous waste containers (including sharps), and request pick-up through EHS website if it is approaching 6 months	Chemical Waste Management
	Biological waste and sharps	Dispose of materials within 30 days	Biological waste disposal

Monthly	New chemicals and compressed gas cylinders	Update new chemicals and compressed gases in ChemTracker within 30 days of delivery  Ensure that cylinders are secured and have regulators or caps installed  Tag and cap empty cylinders and request removal	Compressed Gases Guideline  Safety Training
	, ,	training is up to date via SciShield (formerly BioRAFT)	
Biannually	First aid kits	Check if any supplies are expired or missing, and replace as needed	For support with First Aid kits, contact EHS at <u>safety@andrew.cmu.edu</u>
	Lab cleaning and decluttering	Clean workbenches and floors, and dispose of old/expired materials  Ensure that workspaces and flammable/corrosive material storages are not overcrowded	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
	Biological materials inventory	Update BMI annually and upload it as "Registration" to Documents section of SciShield (formerly BioRAFT)	Biological Materials Inventory and Registration
	Biological safety cabinets	Certify Biological Safety Cabinets through Filtech (Reference CMU EHS PO when scheduling)	<u>BSL-2 Requirements</u>
Annually	Chemtracker	Review the chemical inventory, including compressed gases and soldering materials  Dispose of all old/expired/unused chemicals, and update ChemTracker accordingly	SciShield CMU  For support with ChemTracker, contact EHS at safety@andrew.cmu.edu

Annually	Respiratory protection program	Re-assess need for respirators in the lab	Respiratory Protection Management
		Enroll lab members to the Respiratory Protection Program, if applicable	
	Lab hazards	Verify the list of lab hazards in SciShield (formerly BioRAFT), and update if needed	<u>SciShield CMU</u>
As required (new members/ hazards)	New or departed lab members	Update the list of lab members in SciShield (formerly BioRAFT) when members join or leave the lab	<u>SciShield CMU</u>
	Particularly hazardous substances	Upload a PHS Protocol Form upon purchasing a new PHS, as "Policy/Procedure" to Documents section of SciShield (formerly BioRAFT)	PHS Definition  PHS Table  PHS Protocol Form
		Upload the Approval (last) page for each user as "Group- Specific Training" to Documents section of SciShield (formerly BioRAFT)	
	Permission to work alone	Update Work Alone Forms for new lab members, and upload as "Permit" to Documents section of SciShield (formerly BioRAFT)	Working Alone Guideline
	Standard operating procedures	Upload SOPs as "Standard Operating Procedure" to Documents section of SciShield (formerly BioRAFT) when new hazardous procedures are introduced to lab spaces	<u>Chemical Hygiene Plan</u>
	Respiratory protection for new users	Enroll new lab members in the Respiratory Protection Program, if applicable	Respiratory Protection Management

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