



# Qualitative Respirator Fit Testing



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Good Day

During this time of uncertainty resulting from the [COVID-19 Pandemic](#), medical professionals clear across the country are still on the front lines. Using your training and experience to still heal the people who need you. For that I personally thank you. With that being said, you still need to be protected from this virus while at work. Under the [Hierarchy of Hazard Controls \(HOHC\)](#) this can be achieved by two elements. Administration Controls and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). This is where I personally and my company come in.

FreeBird Safety Services is available to conduct a Qualitative Respirator Fit Test on your staff. You most likely have been either given or have purchased on your own a respirator or an N95 Dust Mask, the PPE of the HOHC. However, you still need to make sure these protective devices have a perfect seal around your mouth and nose.

## What is a Qualitative Respirator Fit Test?

*This is a **Pass-Fail** Testing Procedure using a product and device called a VeriFit Smoke Generator. After an informational orientation, at which time a form will be filled out, the fit test procedure will begin. A device that generates a smoke will be pumped in the air around your head while you wear your mask. A series of head movements and communication tests will be preformed while you remain in place. ([For more information can be found here](#))*



Some other questions that might come up are listed below. As well the question is also linked to my website where you will find the answer. Please keep in mind that these answers are based on the construction industry and prior to the COVID-19 outbreak, but still apply to this situation as well.

## [Are Respirator Fit Tests Required](#)

## [Can I FAIL a Respirator Fit Test](#)

## [Won't my Surgical Mask provide enough Protection](#)





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The cost of a Fit Test is \$35.00 + GST per person only. I do not and never will charge for a locational visit. Unless I am requested to use the ferry services, or a request has been sent from location over 200 km away. The price per person is chargeable even if the testing produces result in a fail. However, the reason for the [informational orientation](#) is to ensure you do not fail and is conducted under the **CSA Standard Z94.4-02**. After all it's you and your safety that is paramount here. When complete and a pass is achieved each person will receive a [laminated wallet card](#) and a few copies of the [testing form](#).

## Fit Testers Bio.

My name is Mike Winbow. I'm a [Construction Safety Specialist \(CSS\)](#), that also holds my [Occupational First Aid level III certification \(OFA III\)](#). As of late and due to the [COVID-19 Pandemic](#) I've been servicing the medical community as a Qualitative Respirator Fit Tester, which I have over 7 years experience in. I have successfully performed this procedure on well over 2500 construction worker. Protecting them from substances like [Asbestos](#), [Crystalline Silica](#), [Lead](#) and a few other toxic elements. Other then the numerous construction workers tested, I also test the membership of [Dental Corp.](#) in which I was contacted by Corrie Hehr their Director of Operations and the frontline staff who reside in the Fraser Valley for the [BC Coroners Service](#). For more information, please see my webpage [FreeBird Safety Services](#) . As well my [full qualifications can be viewed here](#)

Thank You and Have Safe Day

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