

FREE and LOW-COST PPE

- In settings where masking is not required, employers are required by the [County Health Officer Order](#) to make available and offer well-fitting medical masks and respirators to employees who are working indoors in close contact with others or who ride in vehicles with others.
- If your business requires universal masking indoors, you must provide well-fitting medical masks.
- If requested, you are required by Cal-OSHA to provide the correct size N95 respirator to employees who are working indoors or in vehicles with others. Employees may request respirators regardless of their vaccination status.
- When not required to wear a mask, employees may choose to wear one or not. The cost of masks must be borne entirely by the employer, not by the employee.

FREE PPE packages, including N95 masks, are available through PPE Unite at www.ppeunite.org or by calling (747) 224-7742.

The City of Los Angeles also has low-cost N95 masks available for purchase at www.lovla.org.

To protect the wearer, respirators need to have a tight seal on the person's face and need to be worn consistently around others.

- The employee must be given [basic instructions](#) on how to use the respirator.
- Respirators must be replaced if they lose their tight fit or get damaged, deformed, dirty, wet, or difficult to breathe through.