

PROJECT RESTART

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

COVID-19 N95 Voluntary Use

The revised **Cal/OSHA Emergency Temporary Standard (ETS)** allows employees to request N95 respirators without fear of retaliation from their employer. Regardless of vaccination status, USC employees are eligible to request N95 respirators for voluntary use and of no cost to the employee. Departments will be responsible for ordering ongoing supplies for their employees.

To request an N95 for voluntary use:

1. Fill out the [COVID-19 N95 Voluntary Use Request Form](#).
2. Complete and upload the [Voluntary Use of Filtering Facepiece Respirator \(Appendix D\) form](#).
3. Provide an authorized purchaser for your department. This person will be responsible for ordering and providing your ongoing supply of N95 respirators for voluntary use from the [USC Bookstore PPE Portal](#).
4. Contact EH&S at ehs@usc.edu if you have any additional questions.



Before using your N95 filtering facepiece respirator:

- Read the respirator specific manufacturer instructions (see Resources below) for use, maintenance, care, how to perform a seal check, and warnings against limitations.
- Learn how to properly don and doff the N95 respirator. The “USC EH&S How to Don and Doff an N95 Respirator Mask” [video](#) is available for review at the EH&S [COVID-19 Resource Center](#).



Resources

- 3M Manufacturer Instructions - <http://tiny.cc/usc-3MN95-instructions>
 Makrite Manufacturer Instructions - <http://tiny.cc/usc-makriteN9r-instruct>