WAC 296-842-17010 Store respirators properly. (1) Store respirators to protect them from all of the following:
(a) Deformation of the facepiece or exhalation valve
(b) Sunlight or extreme temperatures or other conditions
(c) Contamination such as dust or damaging chemicals
(d) Excessive moisture.

Note: Use coffee cans, sealable plastic bags, or other suitable means of protection.

(2) Follow these additional requirements for emergency respirators:
(a) Keep respirators accessible to the work area
(b) Store respirators in compartments or with covers clearly marked as containing emergency respirators
(c) Follow additional storage instructions from the respirator manufacturer
(d) Store an adequate number of emergency respirators in each area where they may be needed.

Note: Emergency respirators include mouthpiece respirators and other respirators that are limited to escape-only use by their NIOSH certification.

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