



## MAINTENANCE OF THE MASK (visor and metal mesh)

### Recommandations

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- Check that the mesh part of the masks (visor and traditional) is in good condition. This can easily be done by placing the metal wire mesh against the light. And regularly check that the mask and its bib are in good condition.

Chemical damage tests were carried out on the masks of several brands and 800 and 1600 Newton cloth. These tests confirmed the following safety recommendations:

- Keep the masks in their bags while transporting them

- For all types of masks (visor or metal mesh), if the bib of the mask is wet, wait until it dries before putting it away in its bag.

- Do not use the masks to carry containers holding liquids or glues, or to carry clothing, gloves or shoes which are wet or damp from perspiration.

- Avoid all contact between the visor and chemical agents, in particular glues, acetones or other liquids that damage plastics and LEXAN.

- In the case of a mask with a transparent visor, change the visor when one of the following four situations occurs first:

- a) Within a maximum of 2 years after the date marked on the visor;
- b) Appearance of grooves or visible deep marks on the surface;
- c) The visor is no longer transparent (opaque);
- d) When the visor has been in contact with chemical agents.

- Always be equipped with a spare visor and the tools needed to replace the visor, ensure that all the screws are in place and that the frames and visor are correctly and adequately fitted.

- Only use Lexan or Makrolan visors bought from the mask's manufacturer or its official representative.

- Clean the visor with a soft cloth and only use neutral liquids such as water.