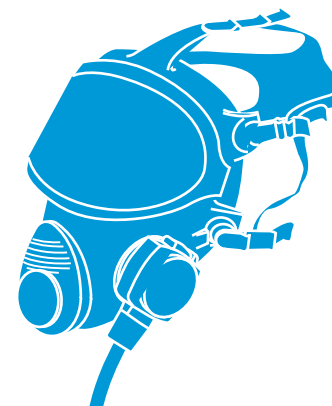


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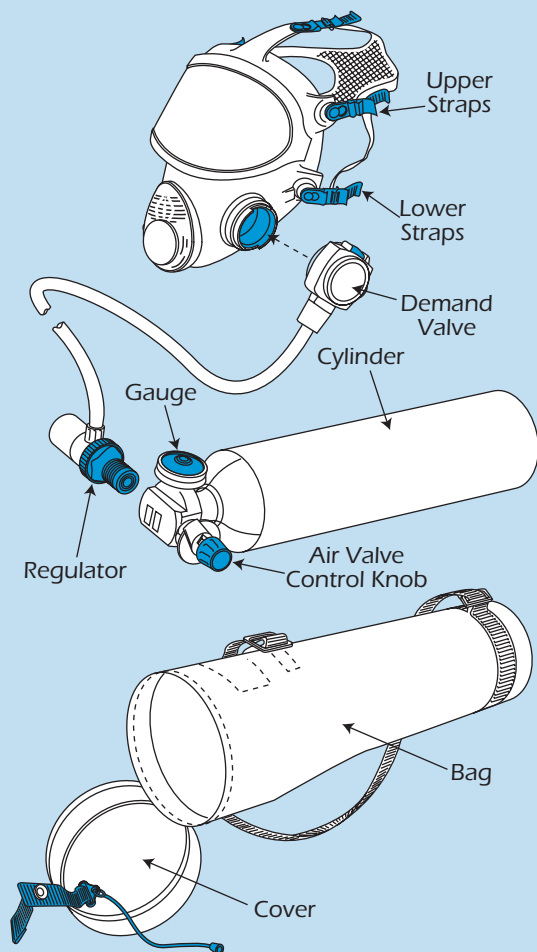
Ten-Minute Escape Breathing Pack

An emergency escape device supplying compressed air to the user when exiting an oxygen deficient atmosphere. Certified for use in hazardous areas.



Code 70913

Ten-Minute Escape Mask



FINISHING OFF

If the unit has been used, clean any contaminants from it then place everything in the carrying case ready for return to your local HSS Hire.



... have you been trained

The law requires that personnel using this type of equipment must be competent and qualified to do so. Training is available at HSS Training Solutions
0845 766 7799

...any comments?

If you have any suggestions to enable us to improve the information within this guide please e-mail your comments or write to the Safety Guide Manager
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GENERAL SAFETY

For advice on the safety and suitability of this equipment contact your local HSS Hire.

Keep children, animals and bystanders out of the work area.

This equipment should only be used by a competent person who has read and understood these instructions.

Check the equipment before use, if it shows signs of damage or excessive wear, return it.



Never use this equipment if you are ill, feeling tired, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.



Wear practical protective clothing and footwear when using this equipment.

Make sure you know how to operate this equipment safely and are aware of its limitations before you use it.

Limitations For Use

Persons with facial hair (beard) should not use the unit, as the mask will not make a proper seal.

If you have any doubt WHATSOEVER in this matter, DO NOT use the equipment until you have contacted your local HSS Hire for advice on how to proceed.

It is both the hirer's and the operator's responsibility to perform a risk assessment before using this equipment. You are also responsible for the safety of any one in the work area.

Ensure work area is tidy, well lit and ventilated.

If the equipment fails, or any part is damaged, return it. Do not continue to use or attempt to repair it yourself.

Safety Warning.

THESE UNITS MUST ONLY BE USED AS A SAFE AIR SUPPLY, IN MOMENTS OF DANGER.

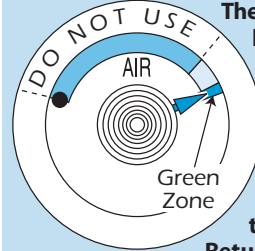
DO NOT USE THIS EQUIPMENT FOR PROTECTION TO ENABLE YOU TO ENTER A CONTAMINATED AREA.

USE ONLY FOR ESCAPE.

This equipment will give limited protection against exposure to a wide range of situations.

GETTING STARTED

Inspecting The Unit



The following safety checks must be performed before the beginning of each session of use i.e. first use of the day or after a work break. Check the gauge, through the viewpoint the dial **MUST** be within the green zone. If not the unit **MUST NOT BE USED**. Return it to your local HSS Hire.

BASIC TECHNIQUES

You can either keep the unit strapped over your shoulder or keep it at your feet, moving it with you as you move.

In the event that you may have to use the unit, follow these simple instructions.

Firstly, do not panic, this may lead to fumbling and wasting precious time.

If wearing a hard hat, remove it, ensuring it is replaced as soon as the mask is fitted.

Open the cover and remove the mask.

Turn the air valve control knob fully anti-clockwise to release the air.

NOTE: once the valve is open and the air released, **NO AIR WILL ESCAPE** until you have taken the first breath. This is because the demand valve has a safeguard mechanism.

Take the mask, hold the lower straps and place your chin into the chin cup on the mask. Pull the straps over your head and tighten as necessary by pulling the straps loose end.

Once the mask is fitted, take a deep breath to activate the demand valve.

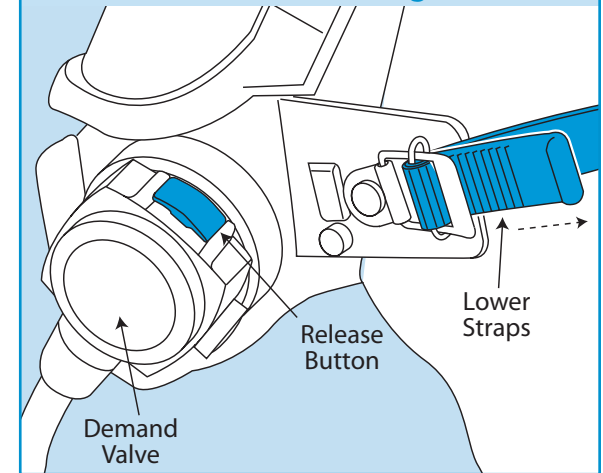
Try to keep your breathing as normal as possible, the calmer your breathing the longer the cylinder contents will last.

Once in a safe atmosphere, press the reset button on the demand valve and close the air valve on the cylinder.

Remove the mask and pack everything in the carry case.

Contact your local HSS Hire for a replacement unit.

Mask and Fittings



EQUIPMENT CARE

Never expect the equipment to protect you beyond its design limits. If it is the wrong type for the situation **DO NOT** rely on it. Ask at your local HSS Hire for advice.

Handle the equipment with care. Avoid dropping it, knocking it, or otherwise exposing it to damage.

Never subject this equipment to prolonged exposure to excessive moisture, or dangerous/corrosive chemicals.

Keep the equipment clean. You will find this less of a chore if you clean up regularly rather than wait until the end of the hire period.

NOTE: Clean with soapy water **ONLY**, do not use solvents.

When not in use, store the equipment in its carry bag somewhere clean, dry and safe from thieves.