

## Wake County EMS PPE Donning Procedure

**Information:** This process requires complete attention to detail and should be performed in “slow motion” at ¼ normal speed. The District Chief should serve as the director for each step, with employees strictly following instructions. A second person should serve as the Safety Officer, verifying procedure and compliance to avoid contamination

### Required Materials:

#### For Personnel Donning PAPRs/CREW-1 (each):

- Tyvek suit
- Long nitrile gloves
- Chem Tape
- Rubber Boots
- Disposable gloves
- PAPR Device (hood and power unit)

#### For Personnel Assistants/CREW-2 (each):

- Tyvek Suit
- Disposable Gloves, 2 pairs each
- Chem Tape
- Rubber Boots
- N95 Mask
- Full face shield

**Process Detail for Personnel in PAPRs:** performed one employee at a time

1. Take baseline blood pressure, pulse, and temperature
2. Remove all dangling jewelry, watches, bracelets, etc. that are affixed to the head, arms, or legs
3. Remove duty boots and uniform shirt
4. Don the Tyvek suit, tucking in the hood
5. Secure radio set to the assigned operational channel to both people and extend speaker microphone to front center of neck and shirt collar
6. Zip up the Tyvek suit. If the Tyvek suit is equipped with an adhesive strip inside the front flap, **do not utilize it.**
7. Don long nitrile gloves, pulling sleeve of Tyvek suit OVER the gloves
8. Don boots, pulling legs over outside of boot, leaving sufficient room for kneeling/bending. Seal legs to boots with Chem Tape, using a single wrap ONLY and leaving a tab
9. Don disposable gloves and seal with Chem Tape to sleeve, using a single wrap ONLY and leaving a tab
10. Don disposable gloves (one size larger than normally used) - No tape
11. Connect hose to power unit; Power on the PAPR device and place over head, tucking the inner hood inside the Tyvek suit.
12. Secure power unit around waist, with unit affixed over the lower back
13. Seal front flap with Chem Tape, leaving tabs at top and bottom. If the Tyvek suit is equipped with an adhesive strip inside the front flap, **do not utilize it.** Secure the power unit belt.
14. Confirm voice communications using the speaker microphones once fully contained

**Process Detail for Personnel Assistants:** performed one employee at a time

1. Take baseline blood pressure, pulse, and temperature
2. Remove all dangling jewelry, watches, bracelets, etc. that are affixed to the head, arms, or legs
3. Remove duty boots and uniform shirt
4. Don the Tyvek suit
5. Zip up the Tyvek suit and seal front flap with Chem Tape, leaving tab; If the Tyvek suit is equipped with an adhesive strip inside the front flap, **do not utilize it.**
6. Don disposable gloves, pulling sleeve of Tyvek suit OVER the gloves, and seal with Chem Tape, using a single wrap ONLY and leaving a tab
7. Don boots, pulling legs over outside of boot, leaving sufficient room for kneeling/bending, and seal with Chem Tape, using a single wrap ONLY and leaving a tab
8. Don 2 layers of outer disposable gloves without tape
9. Don N95 mask, ensuring proper seal
10. Don full face shield and tape to the rear of hood, with tabs
11. Affix single 12" strip of tape over the open throat area, with tabs