

[PPE-InfoDatabase](#)

PPE-Info is a comprehensive tool that connects standard developers, manufacturers, purchasers, and end users to relevant personal protective equipment standards and regulations.

What is PPE-Info?

- The PPE-Info database serves as a compendium of Federal regulations and consensus standards for Personal Protective Equipment (PPE).
- The PPE-Info database is comprised of regulations and standards for respiratory and non-respiratory occupational PPE.
- Standards information was attained from the U.S. Government, American National Standards Institute, accredited standards development organizations, and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) when applicable nationally.

Organization of the PPE-Info Database

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Data about PPE standards are stored, updated, and regularly checked for accuracy. Information includes:

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|--------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Title | Accredited Labs | Conformity Assessment Notes |
| Standard Number | Referenced Standards | Standards Development Organizations |
| Link | Standard Descriptions | Standard Type |
| Standard Status | Publish Dates | General Comments |
| Standard Occupation Code | Revision Dates | PPE Type & Category |
| Hazard Types & Category | | |

Standard Development Organizations Represented in the Database

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| Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation | American National Standards Institute |
| American Dental Association | Acoustical Society of America |
| American Society of Safety Engineers | ASTM |
| Compressed Gas Association | Occupational Safety and Health Administration |
| Electrostatic Discharge Association | International Organization for Standardization |
| International Safety Equipment Association | National Fire Protection Association |
| National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health | National Institute for Justice |
| NSF International | Society of Automotive Engineers |
| The United States Military | Underwriters Laboratory |

How do searches work?

The database incorporates a form which allows for basic or advanced searches that can filter by:

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|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Standard Title | Standard Number | Standard Type |
| Hazard Type | PPE Type | Standard Status |
| Standard Occupation Code | Standards Organization | |

Sample Search Results

[ANSI/AAMI PB70](#)

Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI)

Title: “Liquid barrier performance and classification of protective apparel and drapes in health care facilities”, 2003

Description: This standard establishes a system of classification for protective apparel and drapes used in health care facilities based on their liquid barrier performance and specifies related labeling requirements and standardized test methods for determining compliance.

Status: Current

Standard Type: Specification, Test Method

Hazard Type: Biological

PPE Type: Medical protective clothing

PPE-Info and Conformity Assessment

- The standards in the PPE-Info database describe characteristics for which most conformity is sought.
- This includes specific requirements such as; test methods, inspections, design, performance, surveillance, and regulatory actions.
- In the current application, the PPE-Info database contains national and international conformity assessment standards from ISO, ANSI/ISEA, and ASTM.
- Also included is the type of conformity assessment in a comments section (e.g.; indicating whether a standard requires or suggests 1st through 3rd party testing, inspection, or certification.)
- By making information on product standards and conformance accessible, the PPE-Info database provides an efficient method of conveying product suitability and safety information to a buyer or user, therefore positively affecting market confidence by increasing the reliance and trust between standards development organizations, manufacturers and end users of personal protective equipment.

The Future of PPE-Info

- Refining the application with assistance from stakeholders, and through partnerships with standards development organizations.
- Including more comprehensive international and conformity assessment standards (e.g. , certification, testing, inspection, quality management) for PPE.
- Developing information about PPE products that claim to comply with the regulations and consensus standards.
- Developing guidance on national response PPE. Such as equipment certified under designated standards that provide Ebola protection.
- Connecting standard occupational codes in the database with certified product use and potentially industry/occupation.

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