

San Francisco State University - Office of the President

SUBJECT: University Executive Directive #15-42:

Required Attire For Entering Laboratories Where Hazardous Materials Are Used Or Stored.

San Francisco State University Policy Statement on Required Attire For Entering Laboratories Where Hazardous Materials Are Used Or Stored.

I. Policy Statement

It is the policy of San Francisco State University that employees working in laboratories where hazardous materials are used or stored shall be properly protected against the hazards they may encounter.

To ensure this policy the University is defining minimum standards for the required attire necessary to enter such laboratories.

These standards shall apply to students taking classes in such laboratories as well.

II. Background

It is a well-established requirement under Cal/OSHA Title 8 sections: §3203-Injury Illness Prevention Programs, §3380-Personal Protective Devices, §5191-Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories, and in the CSU Collective Bargaining Agreement - Article 23.3, that the University is responsible for identifying and assessing hazards, and providing appropriate personal protective equipment as protection against those hazards as needed.

Recent fatal incidents in the laboratories of other universities have clearly demonstrated that lab coats and protective eyewear must be considered as part of the personal protective equipment required in laboratories where hazardous materials are used or stored.

Therefore, San Francisco State University shall require lab coats and appropriate protective eyewear to be worn by all persons when entering laboratories where hazardous materials are used or stored.

Provisions:

Effective October 1, 2015, all University employees shall comply with the requirements of this policy and related University practice directives.

<http://policiesandpracticelirectives.sfsu.edu/content/required-attire-entry-laboratories-where-hazardous-materials-are-used-or-stored>

Effective January 21, 2016, students who are not University employees shall be required to provide their own lab coats and protective eyewear while

complying with the requirements of this policy and related University practice directives.

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APPROVED:



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