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OPERATOR PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT

Is there a basic list of safety equipment/wear that should be available in the crematory area?

Yes, safety equipment needs will vary somewhat, however, the basic requirements should be available to each operator.

The following safety items should be available in all crematory work areas:

- Disposable Personal Protective Equipment - to protect crematory operators from the transmission of diseases found in the crematory work place. These items to be used assuming all cremations to be potential carriers of disease:
 - * Disposable Gloves
 - * Eye Protection
 - * Face Mask
 - * Antimicrobial Wipes.
- Household bleach, diluted 1:10 with water (or other suitable disinfectant) to clean work surfaces.
- Heat resistant gloves and aprons to protect the operator from hot surfaces.
- Protective face shield to minimize radiant heat exposure from the cremation chamber to the face during clean out.
- Ventilated processing station (VPS-1), to be used with the ECP-200 processor unit to reduce operator exposure to dust from the cremated remains.
- Respiratory protection for mouth and nose to minimize operator exposure to dust from the cremated remains during clean out and processing (consult your OSHA policy on this).
- Portable fire extinguisher(s) rated class A, B, C for use in case of an emergency in the work area.
- First aid kit and portable eye wash kit.
- Flashlight.
- Emergency evacuation plan of the building (consult your OSHA policy on this).
- Emergency telephone numbers posted.

The safety and protection of all employees is a major concern to every company, and being prepared is the first step towards a safe workplace.

If our supply representative can assist you with any safety or personal protective equipment, please give us a call (800-327-2831).

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