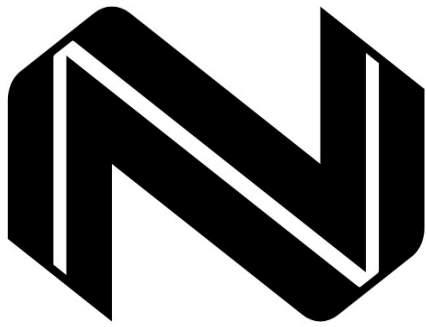




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When Renting Beats Buying: What a Safety Equipment Supplier Sees on Site

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Novarlo LLC has published an educational resource examining when short-term respirator rentals may make more sense than purchasing equipment outright, giving industrial and construction safety managers a practical reference for project-based respiratory protection decisions. The Madison Heights, Michigan, company's article, "Respiratory Protection Rentals - Universal Fit Respirators Provide OSHA APF 1000 Compliance Without Fit Testing," focuses on temporary work, changing job-site hazards, and the equipment considerations that can accompany short-duration projects.

The publication addresses a recurring procurement issue for employers whose personal protective equipment needs change from one project to the next. A construction crew may require powered air-purifying respirators for a shutdown, coating project, abrasive blasting assignment, or emergency cleanup, but may have little use for the same systems once that work is complete. Novarlo LLC's resource explains how rental programs can provide access to specialized respiratory equipment without requiring companies to add rarely used systems to permanent inventory.

For a safety equipment supplier, the distinction between routine PPE and project-specific protection is

significant. Novarlo LLC carries respiratory protection, fall protection, hand and eye protection, hearing protection, head and face protection, arc flash gear, high-visibility apparel, and protective clothing for heat and flame exposure. Different tasks may require different combinations of equipment, and the company's resource emphasizes evaluating the hazard and duration of the work before deciding whether to rent or purchase.

The respiratory rental program described by Novarlo LLC includes powered air-purifying respirators and supplied-air configurations for temporary industrial applications. According to the company's resource, available loose-fitting systems can provide positive-pressure respiratory protection for workers who need specialized equipment for defined periods. Employers remain responsible for evaluating workplace hazards, selecting appropriate respiratory protection, and following applicable Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements for respiratory protection programs.

The article also discusses the importance of having the necessary components available when rented equipment reaches a job site. Respiratory systems may require compatible filters, batteries, breathing tubes, hoses, airflow devices, lenses, and other accessories depending on the configuration. Novarlo LLC states that its rental equipment is inspected, cleaned, disinfected, and tested before shipment, with systems configured for the intended application.

Replacement parts and consumables remain an important consideration even when a company owns its equipment. Filters, lenses, seals, batteries, and other components can wear out or require scheduled replacement. A safety equipment supplier that carries both complete systems and replacement components can help facilities maintain equipment already in service while also supporting temporary needs that fall outside routine operations.

The same planning principle extends to other categories of PPE. Electrical work may call for arc-rated clothing selected according to the identified hazard, while abrasive blasting can require respiratory, eye, face, and body protection designed for that environment. High-visibility garments, fall protection, gloves, and hearing protection likewise need to be matched to actual site conditions rather than treated as interchangeable purchases.

Novarlo LLC's published resource gives safety managers another reference point for deciding when renting respiratory protection may be appropriate and when ownership better fits ongoing operations. The guide is available through the company's online safety resource library. Additional information about respiratory protection, PPE, and rental services is available at novarlo.com.

Novarlo LLC is a safety equipment supplier based in Madison Heights, Michigan, providing personal protective equipment, safety apparel, respirator rentals, replacement components, and custom branding services for industrial, construction, and manufacturing customers.

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