

ICAA GROUP HEALTH & SAFETY PROGRAM

BEST PRACTICES FOR THE INSTALLATION OF FIBERGLASS INSULATION

Blown Fiberglass in Attics

- Installers blowing insulation wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator (N95 or greater).
- No workers, unless they wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator (N95 or greater), should be permitted in the attic during or immediately after the application.

Cavity Fill Fiberglass Insulation

- Installers blowing insulation wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator (N95 or greater).
- Other exposed workers, who are in the immediate area during application, wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator.

Batt, Blanket, and Roll Fiberglass Insulation

- Where possible, avoid tearing or ripping the product by hand. The materials should be cut with a sharp knife.
- Workers installing batts overhead should wear appropriate personal protection equipment.

BEST PRACTICES FOR THE REMOVAL OF FIBERGLASS INSULATION

- Workers removing fiberglass wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator (N95 or greater).

For all applications, installers wear a NIOSH-approved filtering facepiece dust respirator (N95 or greater) whenever they are not sure of the exposure level or whenever airborne exposure monitoring data indicate that the levels are over 1 fiber per cubic centimeter.