

Laboratory Safety Agreement



If there is an emergency, inform the instructor immediately.

Safety in the laboratory is very important. You must obey the following rules and behave in an appropriate manner at all times. Before you begin any experiment, you must be familiar with the procedure. Be sure you know where to put the waste. All damaged glass must be disposed in the sharps waste container. Make sure you know where the fire extinguisher, fire blanket, and eye-wash station are located.

Appropriate attire is required for lab safety.

- Eye protection must be worn over the eyes at all times.
- We recommend that you do not wear contact lenses.
- You must wear closed toe shoes.
- Keep long hair pulled back.
- Clothes that cover the body and legs are highly recommended.



Responsible behavior is required for lab safety.

- Eating and drinking are not allowed in the lab.
- Wash hands frequently while in the lab and at the end of each lab period.
- Never use an open flame in the vicinity of flammable substances.
- Keep your face away from the opening of the vessel when mixing reagents, when applying heat, or when testing for an odor.



Etiquette is necessary for lab safety.

- At the end of each lab, make sure you clean your lab bench and put your chair away.
- All materials should be cool and clean and put back in the appropriate place.



Hazard Warning: CAUTION---the solids, liquids and gaseous substances, and combinations thereof, used in experiments are potentially hazardous in one or more of the following ways:

- they may be irritants to, or have caustic action on, the skin, mucous membranes, lungs, and eyes.
- they may be systemic poisons.
- they may be flammable or explosive.

