PAPR Training

Drager, X-plore 8000
Introduction

• You are being issued with PAPR (Powered Air-Purifying Respirator) because fit testing to the range of FFP3 disposable masks has been unsuccessful or the mask you have fit tested to is in short supply.

• The Hood is yours, the rest may be shared between users

• It works through positive filtered air flow. Filtered air flows in the back of the hood, over your head and face, and out. This air flow prevents contaminated air from entering the hood. A tight fit is not required.
Achieving Competence

Do not use the PAPR unit for workplace activities until you have completed the following steps

1. Read through this presentation, accessing any links to additional learning materials
2. Unpack the PAPR Drager component parts and practice putting them together and taking them apart.
3. Practice donning and doffing the PAPR unit and wearing the hood whilst it is operating. Any questions please contact your local PAPR trainer.
Achieving Competence (Cont/d)

4. Work through the Infection, Prevention and Control doffing and decontamination procedures and how they will apply in your work space. Speak to your line manager if this is not clear.

5. Undertake self check of knowledge and competence – complete the form.

6. Arrange to be assessed by your local PAPR Trainer – complete the form.

7. Once you have been assessed, provide the signed competency assessment form to your manager who will authorise you to use the PAPR system for AGP work activities. Do not use the PAPR system for work activities until you have received authorisation.
PAPR Drager X-Plore 8000 Series

Please watch the video at the link below:

- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HjfxJ2ewK0I

Whilst not all of the components of the video will be relevant, it will give you an overview of the system you will be using which will help with the following slides. Please follow the instruction on the slides.
How to use the Drager X-Plore 8000 PAPR

Please unpack and lay out in front of you all of the component parts:

• Long life battery
• Battery charger
• Blower Unit
• P3 Filter
• Decontamination Belt
• Hose
• Short Hood
Battery

Long life battery

- Minimum of 8 hours at full power, up to 20 hours at lowest power
- Must be full charge before use (Check on battery and Blower)
- Battery life charge - 4 segments >75% - 3 segments >50% - 2 segments > 25% - 1 segments 25%
- Hook in and click to the Blower
- After use, always recharge the battery to full before putting in the box. NB Your service may prefer to keep it on charge all the time, which it is perfectly safe to do.
Battery Charger

- First time out of the box you will need to assemble the charger. It comes with various plugs for different countries. Assemble using the three pronged option, it will look like a standard British plug.
- Can take 4 hours to fully charge from low charge
- Status indicator – Green = charged / flashing green = being charged / flashing yellow = charging interrupted
- Batteries can be left on charge safely
Filter

P3 Filter

- Check shelf life expiry date on first opening – this is written on the filter edge
- Over write this date with date 1 Calendar month in advance
- Check the filter says ‘P3’ along the filter edge near to the expiry date
- Update filter change record form
- Check rubber seal for damage
Filter (Cont/d)

P3 Filter

- Insert into grey splashguard
- Insert at angle into Blower unit, ensure audible click is heard
- Check filter splashguard securely fitted on all sides
- Do not reopen the filter until it is time to dispose of it – check the filter change form for the expiry date. Take IPC precautions prior to opening.
- Residual filter capacity - 4 segments >75% - 3 segments >50% - 2 segments >25% - 1 segments 25%
Belt and Hose

• Decontamination Belt
  • Size it before attaching to Blower
  • It has a top and bottom
  • Hook in and click to Blower

• Hose
  • Both ends the same, they will push and click into the hood and blower
  • Check black ‘O’ rings are present in both ends – if missing do not use
  • When decontaminating after use, ensure you clean all the way along the surface
Blower Unit

• 3 Fan speeds, when you start it up and it is connected to the hood, it will automatically start in the lowest fan setting. It is unlikely you will need to increase the fan speed, doing so will reduce the period the battery will operate for.

• Battery alerts – a low battery will trigger an audible, visual and vibrating alert. A yellow light = < 30mins, a red light = < 10 mins.

• Filter alerts – an audible, visual and vibrating alert will trigger if the filter becomes clogged, a yellow light = <20%, a red light = <10%.
Blower Unit  (Cont/d)

• Test the alerts prior to use by:
  • Connect up everything except hood
  • start up – wait for self diagnostic to complete
  • Cover end of hose – it will vibrate, sound and flash
Hood

• Short Hood
  • This is yours
  • 1\textsuperscript{st} time, adjust fit if required using one or both of the plastic cradle straps, pull to tighten and squeeze middle to slacken. One strap tightens round your head, the other raises / lowers on your head.
  • Every time, examine condition prior to donning
  • Attach hose to hood
  • Holding the 2 loops at front / bottom of hood, take to back of head and pull down over the face and under chin
  • When removing, use the same 2 loops, pulling down, away from your face, up and to the side
  • Then switch off Blower
Pre-operation checklist

• Ensure battery is fitted securely
• Filter splashguard is fitted securely
• Hose is securely connected to the head top and blower unit
• Finally visually inspect the head top/hose for any rip/tears
Switching on the device

• Press and hold briefly the green power button, device will perform a self test
• Indicator light will light up green if the device is working properly
• If a warning indicator signals, the fault must be rectified before use (refer to instruction for use manual)
• Power unit will automatically detect what headpiece is being used and will set the minimum flow rate for that headpiece
• Flow rate can be adjusted using the + or – button on top of the control panel (3 flow levels), unlikely to require more than the low flow rate
• Switch off the device by pressing and holding briefly the green power button.
Additional Information

Drager X-Plore 8000

• A Quick Guide can be found at the link below:
  • https://www.nhsggc.org.uk/media/263588/drager-x-plore-8000-quick-guide.pdf

• The instructions for use can be found at the link below:
  • https://www.nhsggc.org.uk/media/263584/papr-ifu-drager-x-plore-8000.pdf
Have a Practice
Ask your local PAPR Trainer any questions
Checks

• All checks need to be linked to the Blower serial number
• Store the PAPR in a box which is clearly labelled with the blower serial number, with the following:
  • Pre-use check - User
  • Monthly checks (when not used) - User
  • Annual check - TBC
  • Filter Change Form - record expiry date, 1 calendar month after opening

Above documentation and guidance, including the ‘Step by Step Guide’ can be found at the link below.

The process for doffing and decontaminating the Drager PAPR system

Infection Prevention and Control Team

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PAPR and You

• The hood must only be used by you but the power unit / filter and hose can be used by more than one person provided it is decontaminated thoroughly after each use and before being stored.

• You must only use this PAPR when clinical care requires you to undertake an aerosol generating procedure (AGP)

• The PAPR Blower unit and hose should be worn under your disposable fluid resistant gown. Therefore the hood and the top of the hose are the only parts exposed.

• This learning assumes you are knowledgeable and competent at undertaking the 6 steps of hand hygiene as per the National Infection Prevention and Control Manual
Preparing to put the PAPR system on

- Donning the breathing system must only be undertaken in a designated area of the clinical department. This may require a buddy to help you.

- Hair, where required, should be tied back prior to donning the hood. A surgical hat may help.

- Undertake hand hygiene prior to donning

- Follow manufacturer’s instructions to don the complete system.

- Once on, check that breathing is not impaired. If difficulty is experienced this may indicate that the filter must be changed. The filter should be discarded and a fresh one applied every calendar month (you need to keep a record with the PAPR of filter changes)
A note about filters

If you are using the filter for the first time, ensure you:

• Check filter is within usage date
• Write the new expiration date over the date
• New expiration date = date of inserting filter + 1 month:
  - opened 30/10/20, write: Exp 30/11/20

• Filters need to be changed every calendar month, or sooner;
  - If they get wet, or;
  - if the wearer feels it has become harder to breath through the filter.
Doffing and decontamination

• Do not switch off the respirator until you have left the ‘AGP hot spot’.

• Do not remove the hood until you have left the ‘AGP hot spot’

• Only doff and decontaminate the PAPR in the designated doffing / decontamination area in your department

• Once in designated doffing clinical area, follow the doffing procedure (poster) to ensure you remove the system safely

• Follow the decontamination instructions fully prior to storing in the designated location
# Doffing the PAPR

1. The HCW must not remove the hood or switch off the PAPR unit until out of the AGP area.

2. On leaving the AGP area, the HCW must immediately go to the designated doffing / decontamination area.

3. The HCW will remove their gloves then gown, discard in clinical waste bin and undertake hand hygiene using ABHR and put on a fresh pair of gloves.

4. The HCW will clean the visor section of the hood with a Clinell (Green) wipe and discard the wipe into a clinical waste bin. Remove gloves and use ABHR.

5. The HCW will remove the hood using loops under chin and by pulling away from the face carefully and place in the designated cleaning area.
Doffing the PAPR (Cont/d)

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Decontamination

• The HCW cleaning the PAPR system must only do so in the designated cleaning area.

• The HCW must be wearing a clean apron, gloves, FRSM (and visor if required) to undertake the following procedures

• Either the Green Clinell Universal Disinfectant Wipes OR Actichlor Plus (1,000ppm, contact time 5 minutes) must be used. Actichlor Plus should be wiped off using either the yellow or Green Clinell wipes.

• If there are small splashes of blood: use solution of Actichlor Plus at 10,000 ppm, (contact time 3 minutes) to decontaminate the hood.

• If there is a large amount of blood on the hood, please discard.
### Decontamination

1. **To clean the hose:**
   Disconnect the hose and inspect hose connections for dirt/debris and then clean ensuring that each of the grooves the entire length of the hose are cleaned thoroughly. Discard the wipe. Set aside the hose in a clean area to dry.

2. **To clean the PAPR unit:**
   Inspect the unit for dirt / debris. Clean the casing of the unit with disinfectant wipes. It is not necessary to remove the casing covering the filter. It is important not to allow water to drip into the filter unit. Set aside in a clean area to dry.

3. **The hood:**
   Clean the external surfaces of the hood with a disinfectant wipes. With a fresh wipe you may want to give the inside of the hood a wipe also. Set aside in a clean area to dry. This hood belongs to a named HCW and must be returned to them, not shared with anyone else and be carefully stored once clean and dry, until next use. It is the responsibility of the named HCW to ensure this happens.
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| 4. | **The PAPR unit and hose:**  
Once dry, check if the battery needs to be charged – should be at full charge. If it does not need charged, the PAPR and hose will be place in the designated storage box labelled for that unit – Check PAPR unit Serial Numbers match. |
| 5. | **Filter care:**  
At point of putting on the PAPR unit, the HCW must check the expiry date for the filter, located on a record sheet in the PAPR’s storage box. If 30 calendar days have passed, the filter must be changed following manufacturer’s instructions. A disposable apron, gloves and FRSM must be worn when changing the filter |
**Decontamination** (Cont/d)

**Emergency Response Teams**

- The rota where possible should be made up only of staff who are able to wear FFP3 masks.

- Where this is not possible, and staff who require to wear PAPR need to be included in the rota, consideration should be given to these staff only responding to incidents where there is an established doffing and decontamination area.

- Where this is not possible and a PAPR user needs to respond to a location without an existing doffing and decontamination area, the following is advised:
  - Ensure fluid resistant gowns are worn over the PAPR (only the Hood and hose are exposed).
  - Follow current procedure for doffing PPE, use Green Clinell wipes on the hood prior to doffing.
  - Doff the hood and hose directly into a bag, tie off and double bag.
  - Remove the remaining PAPR components and bag, tie off and double bag.
  - Transport to an identified decontamination area and decontaminate following the process outlined in the Decontamination Guide.
Workplace preparation

Speak with your line manager with regards:

• Checking the doffing / decontamination area is suitable for your needs
• Identifying how and where the PAPR is going to be stored
• Where the battery will be charged
• Process for getting new filters
Next Steps

• Once you feel confident you know how to use the PAPR system, undertake the self assessment part of the Competency Assessment Form (Link below) to check your knowledge and competence to use the PAPR unit - any questions please contact your local PAPR Trainer

• Once you have completed the self assessment part of the form, contact your PAPR Trainer to arrange for a competency assessment (remember to take your completed Self Assessment form)

• Once you are:
  • confident you can use the PAPR system safely, and
  • have been assessed by the local PAPR Trainer as competent

notify your line manager that you are able to use it for AGP activities and provide them with your completed and signed competency assessment form. Do not use the PAPR for work activities until you have received authorisation from your manager to do so.