

**National Personal Protective
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**Standards Development Efforts for
CBRN CC-SCBA**

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CC-SCBA



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- **NIOSH Limitation of Use**
 - Cannot be used when there is direct exposure to open flame or high radiant heat
- **NFPA 1981**
 - Positive pressure at high work rates
- **CBRN**
 - Not hardened



CBRN CC-SCBA Standard

- **Goal**
 - Develop a NIOSH/NPPTL full-facepiece, closed circuit, self-contained breathing apparatus (CC-SCBA) standard that addresses CBRN materials identified as inhalation hazards or possible terrorist hazards for emergency responders.
- **Use**
 - For long-duration missions, involving entry into an atmosphere where contaminant concentrations are IDLH, and which may not contain adequate O₂ Levels.

Effective CBRN Standards Development

Public Process

- Transparent
- Identify Key Stakeholders
- Form Partnerships

CBRN Standard

Best Practice

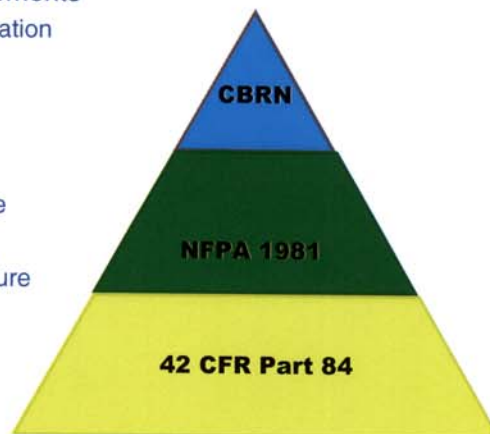
- Good Science
- Benchmarking
- Research
- Peer Review

Focus on Performance

- Hazards Analysis
- Human Capabilities
- Quality Assurance
- Reliability
- Practical Use

CBRN CC-SCBA Concept Standard

- Tier 3: Special CBRN Requirements
 - CWA penetration and permeation resistance
 - Practical performance
- Tier 2: NFPA 1981
 - High Work Rate Performance
 - Operational Performance
 - Environmental Temperature
 - Heat and Flame
- Tier 1: 42 CFR, Part 84
 - Establish duration
 - Limitation on use



CBRN CC-SCBA Requirements

- **Concept calls for adapting the:**

NFPA 1981 Standard on Open-Circuit Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus for Fire and Emergency Services

to CBRN CC-SCBA

- **Use of an Automated Breathing and Metabolic Simulator (ABMS) for performance testing**



Special Requirements

- **Firefighter Protection Requirements**

- Fabric Flame Resistance
- Fabric Heat Resistance
- Thread Heat Resistance
- Heat and Flame Resistance Performance

Special Requirements

- **Requirements for CBRN Use**
 - Operational Performance
 - Environmental Operational Performance
 - Vibration Endurance
 - Accelerated Corrosion
 - Particulate Resistance
 - Facepiece Lens Haze, Luminous Transmittance and Abrasion Resistance
 - Communication Performance
 - Chemical Agent Permeation and Penetration Resistance
 - Laboratory Respiratory Protection Level (LRPL)