## Safety Bulletin



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## Laboratory Coat Program at the University of Wyoming

The University of Wyoming will supply free to **PAID** university research laboratory faculty, staff, post-docs, graduate and undergraduates, two types of lab coats. These include: a barrier/fluid (FL) resistant and flame/chemical (FR/CP) resistant. These lab coats are not intended for students in academic student laboratory classes.

### Why Should We Wear Lab Coats?

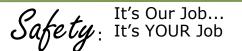
- Lab coats are personal protective equipment and should be worn in the lab when working with chemicals, materials and biologicals to protect the skin and personal clothing from splatter and spills.
- Lab coats will absorb or deflect particles that you may not even be aware of: e.g. aerosols, dust and radiological hazards.
- Appropriate lab coats should be fully buttoned with sleeves rolled down.
- In case of an accident, it is much faster and easier to remove a lab coat than street clothes to minimize skin contact with hazardous materials.

#### When to Wear Lab Coats

- Always wear lab coats when working with non-hazardous/materials and hazardous chemicals/materials.
- FR/CP lab coats (royal blue color) are for research laboratories. Poly/cotton (white) material is used in standard wet chemical academic teaching labs.
- Barrier/Fluid Resistant material is used to repel biological in nature materials for use in biological and medical labs.

#### When NOT to Wear Lab Coats

- Don't wear lab coats in public places, such as offices, lunch rooms, lounge areas, or elsewhere outside the laboratory, as they can transfer hazardous materials and contaminate these areas.
- Don't bring lab coats home because you may contaminate others in the household.
- Don't launder lab coats at home, at a local laundry or with other clothing.



#### First Time Users of the Lab Coat Program

- Principal Investigator or designee required to fill out PPE Hazard Assessment Form.
- Determine type and size of lab coat you need from the charts below: Barrier/Fluid resistant or Flame/Chemical Resistant. Coat sample sizes available, WH-202.
- Barrier/Fluid Resistant and Flame/Chemical Resistant lab coats will be available every two weeks.
- Contact UW Safety at the following email address, uwehs@uwyo.edu or call 766-3277.

#### Lab Coat Type and Size Form Men's 🔲 Men's 🔲 Chemical Resistant Chemica Fluid Resistant (FL) Women's 🔲 Resistant Resistant Women's (FR/CP) Number of Number of Number of Number of Coats Extra, Extra Small Extra Large XXS Extra Small XS 2XL Small 3XL Medium 4XL 5XL 6XL

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| Point of Measurement<br>Description                |        |        |         |        | FR/C  | P SIZES | MEN   |        |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Size   | xxs    | xs     | SM      | MD     | LG    | XL      | 2XL   | 3XL    | 4XL   | 5XL    |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Chest Circumference (Inches)                       | 37     | 39     | 40      | 42     | 43    | 47      | 52    | 57     | 62    | 67     |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Sleeve Length Regular (Inches)                     | 32     | 33     | 33      | 34     | 35    | 36      | 38    | 40     | 42    | 43     |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Center Back Length of Garment                      | 34 1/2 | 35     | 35 1/2  | 36     | 37    | 38      | 39    | 40     | 41    | 42     |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
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| Size   | xxs    | xs     | SM      | MD     | LG    | XL      | 2XL   | 3XL    | 4XL   | 5XL    | 6XL   |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Chest Circumference (Inches)                       | 32     | 34     | 36      | 38     | 40    | 43      | 46    | 50     | 54    | 58     | 62    |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Sleeve Length Regular (Inches)                     | 31     | 31     | 32      | 33     | 33    | 34      | 35    | 35     | 36    | 37     | 38    |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Center Back Length of Garment                      | 34     | 34 1/2 | 35      | 35 1/2 | 36    | 36 1/2  | 37    | 37 1/2 | 38    | 38 1/2 | 39    |       |       |       |       |       |     |
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| Size   | xxs    | xs     | s       | м      | L     | XL      | 2XL   | 3XL    | 4XL   | 5XL    |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Ladies' Jacket Size                                | 2-4    | 2-8    | 10 - 12 | 14-16  | 18-20 | 22-24   | 26-28 | 30-32  | 34-36 | 38-40  |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Men's Jacket Size                                  | 26-28  | 30-32  | 34-36   | 38-40  | 42-44 | 46-48   | 50-52 | 54-56  | 58-60 | 62-64  |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Size   | xxs    | xs     |         | s      |       | м       |       | L      |       | XL     |       | 2XL   |       | 3XL   |       | 4XL   |     |
| Jacket or Dress Size                               | 0      | 2      | 4       | 6      | 8     | 10      | 12    | 14     | 16    | 18     | 20    | 22/42 | 24/44 | 26/46 | 28/48 | 30/50 | 32  |
| Chest Size   | 30-31  | 31-32  | 32-33   | 33-34  | 34-35 | 35-35   | 36-37 | 38-39  | 39-40 | 40-42  | 42-44 | 44-46 | 46-48 | 48-50 | 50-52 | 52-54 | 54- |
| Criest Size  |        |        |         |        |       |         |       |        |       |        |       |       |       |       |       |       |     |
| Waist Size   | 21-22  | 22-23  | 23-24   | 24-25  | 25-26 | 26-27   | 27-28 | 29-30  | 30-31 | 32-33  | 34-35 | 36-37 | 38-39 | 40-41 | 42-43 | 44-45 | 46- |

# Check Out Procedure of Lab Coats You will need to provide the following information:

- Principal Investigator or designee required to fill out PPE Hazard Assessment Form.
- These lab coats will be available from the following two locations: Wyo Hall Rm 202 and the Molecular Biology Dept. Rm 203 — AnSci/Mol Bldg.
- Your name, 'W' number, Email and phone number.
- Department name, Lab number and Principal Investigators (PI) name.
- A clean lab coat is exchanged after the dirty coat has been returned to the location you
  received your first lab coat.
- We need to be able to track where the lab coats are and which Dept. is using this service.
- Customer Owned Goods, COGs will be offered to Departments with teaching labs.

This service for lab coats is provided by ALSCO/VF Workwear. ALSCO will supply UW with various sizes of the two types of coats. **This service is not for personally owned lab coats.** Lab coats **MUST** be laundered by a commercial facility. If you have any questions or concerns email UW Safety.

UW Safety Office is offering this program to the University of Wyoming **PAID** scientific community. This program is growing and contributing to a positive Safety Culture in the UW community.

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