# Technical Datasheet



# 3M<sup>™</sup> 7500 Series Reusable Half Masks

## **Product Description**

3M<sup>™</sup> 7500 Series Reusable Half Masks have set a new standard in comfort. The exhalation valve provides increased durability and is easy to keep clean. Reduced breathing resistance helps to minimise heat built-up in the mask and increases your comfort. Available in three sizes, all masks have the 3M bayonet connection system allowing connection to a broad range of twin lightweight filters to protect against gases, vapours and particulates depending on your individual needs. The mask can also be used with the 3M<sup>™</sup> S-200 Supplied-Air System for increased convenience and flexibility.

## **Key Features**

- Durable, reusable half mask with full maintenance program available.
- Soft silicone material reduces pressure/ tension on face for added comfort during long periods of work.
- Flexible System (gas / vapour and / or particulate filters plus Supplied-Air option).
- Exhalation valve ensures easier breathing while reducing heat and moisture build-up. It also eliminates valve vibration for easier communication.
- Downward direction of exhalation air reduces fogging when using grinding and welding shields.
- Twin filter design provides lower breathing resistance, a more balanced fit, and improves field of vision.
- New adjustable head harness and yoke design provides greater stability.
- Easy and secure fitting with drop-down feature for added convenience.
- Head harness designed to accommodate other PPE, including grinding or welding shields and the 3M Eyewear range.
- Safe, secure Bayonet filter attachment system with cost effective replacement filters.
- 3 sizes (small 7501, medium 7502, large 7503).
- Colour coded sizes for easier identification.

## **Applications**

The 7500 Series Respirators can be used with a variety of different filter options:

Gas and Vapour Filters only: The filters generally protect against either single or multiple contaminant type(s).

 The 6000 Series filters fit directly onto the respirator except for the 6098 and 6099.

Particulate filters only: These filters provide protection against solid and non-volatile liquid particles.

- The 2000 Series particulate filters fit directly onto the respirator.
- The 5000 Series particulate filters may be used on their own with platform 603 and 501 retainers.
- The 6035 & 6038 are encapsulated P3 filters, which fit directly onto the respirator.

Combination of Gas & Vapour and Particulate filters:

- The 5000 Series particulate filters can be used with 6000 Series Gas and Vapour filters using 501 retainers excluding the 6035, 6038, 6096, 6098 and 6099.
- The 6096 has a Particulate filter media integrated with the Gas and Vapour cartridge.
- The 6038 is an encapsulated particulate filter with a layer of carbon for nuisance level gas protection.

**Supplied-Air mode**: All filters can be used with S-200 Supplied Air Regulator except for the P1 (5911) and P2 (5925, 2125 and 2128) filters, and 6098 and 6099 filters.



## Gas and Vapour Filters

Filter	Image	Standard	Class	Hazard	Industry
6051 (06911) 6055 (06915)		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	A1 A2	Organic Vapours (b.pt. > 65°C)	Anywhere conventional paints are used (non-isocyanates, subject to usage conditions)     Vehicle manufacture     Aircraft manufacture and refurbishment     Boat Building     Ink and dye manufacture and use     Adhesive manufacture and use     Paint and varnish manufacture     Resin manufacture and use
6054		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	K1	Ammonia & derivatives	Manufacture and Maintenance of refrigeration equipment     Spraying and handling Agrochemicals
6057		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	ABE1	Combination organic vapours (b.pt. >65°C), inorganic & acid gases	As 6051, but including:  • Electrolytic processes  • Acid Cleaning  • Metal Pickling  • Metal Etching
6059		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	ABEK1	Combination organic vapours (b.pt. >65°C), inorganic & acid gases & Ammonia	As 6057 & 6054
6075		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	A1 + Formaldehyde	Organic Vapours (b.pt. >65°C) & Formaldehyde	As 6051 but also:  Hospitals and Laboratories
6096		EN14387: 2004 +A1:2008	A1HgP3 R	Organic vapours (b.pt. >65°C), Mercury vapour, Chlorine & Particulates	Use of Mercury & Chlorine     Particulate applications

## **Particulate Filters**

Filter	Image	Standard	Class	Hazard	Industry
5911 5925(06925) 5935		EN143:2000 / A1:2006	P1 R P2 R P3 R	Particulates (Fine Dusts & Mists)	Pharmaceutical / Powdered Chemicals Construction / Quarrying Ceramics / Refractory materials Foundries Agriculture Woodworking Food Industry
2125 2135	William Control	EN143:2000 / A1:2006	P2 R P3 R	Particulates (Fine Dusts & Mists)	Pharmaceutical / Powdered Chemicals Construction / Quarrying Ceramics / Refractory materials Foundries Agriculture Woodworking Food Industry
2128 2138	Maria Ma Maria Maria Maria Maria Ma Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Maria Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma Ma	EN143:2000 / A1:2006	P2 R P3 R	Particulates, Ozone & nuisance levels of Organic Vapours & Acid Gases	Welding     Paper Industry     Brewing     Chemical Processing     Typical Smog     Inks and Dyes
6035	d The sea	EN143:2000 / A1:2006	P3 R	Particulates (Fine Dusts & Mists)	Pharmaceutical / Powdered Chemicals Construction / Quarrying Ceramics / Refractory materials Foundries Agriculture Woodworking Food Industry
6038		EN143:2000 / A1:2006	P3 R	Particulates, Hydrogen Fluoride up to 30 ppm, Nuisance levels of Organic Vapours & Acid Gases	As 6035 but also: Aluminium smelting Mining

## Standards and Approval

These products have been tested to the relevant European Standards:

- 7500 Series Half Masks to EN140:1998
- 6000 Series Gas and Vapour filters to EN14387:2004 + A1:2008
- 2000 and 5000 Series and 6035, 6038 Particulate filters to EN143: 2000 / A1:2006.

The 3M<sup>™</sup> 7500 Series Respirators and 6000/5000/2000 Series Filters have been shown to meet the Basic Safety Requirements under Article 10 and 11 B of the European Community Directive 89/686/EEC, and are thus CE-marked.

These products were examined at the design stage by: BSI Product Services, Kitemark Court, Davy Avenue, Knowlhill, Milton Keynes, MK5 8PP, UK (Notified Body 0086).

#### Intended Use

When the 7500 Series Half Mask is fitted with Gas & Vapour Filters:

- 6000 Series gas and vapour filters, it may be used in concentrations of gases or vapours (types specified by 3M) up to 50 x the Threshold Limit Value (TLV) or 1000ppm (5000ppm for 6055) whichever value is lower.
- 6075 offers protection against organic vapour (as above) and 10ppm formaldehyde only.
- 6000 Series gas and vapour filters should not be used to protect the wearer against a gas or vapour that has poor warning properties (smell or taste).

When the 7500 Series Half Mask is fitted with Particulate Filters:

- 5911 filters may be used in concentrations of particulates up to 4 x TLV.
- 5925, 2125 or 2128 filters may be used in concentrations of particulates up to 12 x TLV.
- 5935, 2135, 2138 or 6035, 6038 filters may be used in concentrations of particulates up to 50 x TLV.
- 2128 and 2138 filters may be used to protect against ozone up to 10 x TLV and offers relief from acid gases and organic vapours at levels below the TLV.
- 6038 offers protection against 30ppm Hydrogen Fluoride and offers relief from acid gases and organic vapours at levels below the TLV.

## Cleaning and Storage

Cleaning is recommended after each use.

- Disassemble by removing the filters, head straps and other parts.
- Clean and sanitize the mask (excluding filters) using 3M<sup>™</sup>
  105 Face Seal Cleaner or immersing in warm cleaning
  solution and scrubbing with a soft brush until clean. Parts
  may also be cleaned in a domestic washer.
- Disinfect respirator by soaking in a solution of quaternary ammonium disinfectant or sodium hypochlorite (30 ML household bleach in 7.5L of water) or other disinfectant.
- 4. Rinse in fresh, warm water and air-dry in noncontaminated atmospheres.
- Water temperature should not exceed 50°C.
- ⚠Do not use cleaning agents that contain lanolin or other oils.
- Do not autoclave.

#### Maintenance

The 7500 half mask must be inspected before each use to ensure it is in proper operating condition. Any damaged or defective part must be replaced before use.

The following procedure is suggested.

- 1. Check the face mask for cracks, tears and dirt. Examine the inhalation valves for signs of distortion, cracking or tearing.
- Check that the head straps are intact and have good elasticity.
- Examine all plastic parts and gaskets for signs of cracking or fatigue and replace if necessary.
- Remove the exhalation valve cover and exhalation valve and examine for signs of dirt, distortion, cracking, or tearing.
   Replace the parts where necessary. Secure the valve cover prior to use.

#### **Use Limitation**

- These respirators do not supply oxygen. Do not use in oxygen deficient areas\*
- Do not use for respiratory protection against atmospheric contaminants that have poor warning properties or are unknown or immediately dangerous to life and health (IDLH) or against contaminants, which generate high heats of reaction with chemical filters. (The 3M<sup>TM</sup> S-200 Supplied-Air Respirator System can be used against contaminants with poor warning properties, subject to other use limitations).
- 3. Do not modify or alter this device.
- 4. The assembled respirator may not provide a satisfactory face seal with certain physical characteristics (such as beards or large side burns) resulting in leakage between the respirator and the face. The user assumes all risks of bodily injury, which may possibly result.
- 5. Do not use with unknown concentrations of contaminants.
- 6. Do not use for escape purposes.
- 7. Leave the work area immediately and check the integrity of the respirator and replace face mask if:
  - Damage has occurred or is apparent.
  - Breathing becomes difficult or increased breathing resistance occurs.
  - Dizziness or other distress occurs.
  - You taste or smell the contaminant or an irritation occurs.
- 8. Store this device in a sealed container away from contaminated areas when not in use.
- Use strictly in accordance with respirator and filter user instruction leaflet.
- 10. In case of intended use in explosive atmospheres, contact 3M technical service.

#### **Materials**

Component	Material	
Face Seal	Silicone	
Head Harness	Polyethylene	
Head Strap	Woven polyester/neoprene	
Inhalation Valve	Silicone Rubber	
Exhalation Valve	Silicone Rubber	
Gasket	Silicone Rubber	
6000 Filter Body	Polystryrene	
Valve Cover (Yoke)	Heat resistant polyester	
Filter Holder	Heat resistant polyester	
6000 Filter Element	Activated / Treated Carbon	
5000 / 2000 Series	Polypropylene	

### **Fitting Instructions**

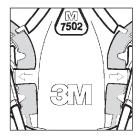
#### Standard Suspension

- 1. Adjust head cradle size to fit comfortably on head.
- 2. Place the respirator over the mouth and nose.
- 3. Pull the head harness over the crown of the head.



#### **Drop Down Suspension**

- 1. Adjust head harness on face piece as shown.
- 2. Adjust head cradle size to fit comfortably on head.
- 3. While holding head harness strap ends with one hand, slide the face piece up onto your face.





#### Both Types of Suspension

- 1. Take the bottom straps in both hands, place them at the back of the neck and hook them together.
- Tighten the top straps first by pulling on ends to achieve a comfortable and secure fit as shown.
- Tighten bottom straps using the rear adjustments (strap tension may be decreased by pushing out on back side of buckles).







 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}$  3M definition minimum 19.5% by volume oxygen

#### **Fit Check**

Perform a positive and/or negative pressure face fit check.

Positive pressure face fit check (all Filters except 3M<sup>™</sup> 6035, 6038 / 2000 Series Filters).

- Place the palm of the hand over the exhalation valve cover and exhale gently.
- If the face mask bulges slightly and no air leakage between the face and the face mask is detected, a proper fit has been achieved.
- If air leakage is detected, reposition the respirator on the face and/or readjust the tension of the strap to eliminate the leakage.
- 4. Repeat the above face fit check.
- 5. If you cannot achieve a proper fit, do not enter the contaminated area. See your supervisor.

Negative pressure face fit check (3M<sup>™</sup> 6035, 6038 / 2000 Series Filters)

- Push the filter cover down (6035, 6038) or press your thumbs into the central indentation of the filters (2000 series), inhale gently and hold your breath for five or ten seconds.
- 2. If the face mask collapses slightly, a proper fit has been achieved.
- If air leakage is detected, reposition the respirator on the face and/or readjust the tension of the straps to eliminate the leakage.
- 4. Repeat the above face fit check.
- If you cannot achieve a proper fit, do not enter the contaminated area. See your supervisor.

### **Spare Parts**

Due to the large number of spare parts available for the 7500 half masks, routine maintenance can be conducted with ease.

Part	Material
7281	Head harness assembly
7282	Inhalation valves
7283	Exhalation valve
7386	Filter Holder
501	Retainer for 5000 Series Filters
603	Particulate Filter Platform
105	Face Seal Cleaner
S-200	Supplied Air Regulator

Respiratory Protection is only effective if it is correctly selected, fitted and worn throughout the time when the wearer is exposed to respiratory contaminants.

3M offers advice on the selection of products, and training in the correct fitting and usage.

For more information on 3M products and services please call the 3M Health & Safety Helpline.

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