

Lab Safety Rules

General Safety Rules

1. Never eat or drink in lab.
2. Always wash hands.
3. Keep area neat and clean. Be careful not to spill. Clean up spills.
4. No loose clothing or jewelry. Wear proper clothing.
5. Use safety goggles. Wear proper eye protection. No contact lenses.
6. Read and follow directions.
7. After completion of lab: clean lab, make sure gas turned off, all equipment put away.

First Aid

1. Report all accidents to teacher immediately.
2. Know where first aid kit and fire extinguisher are located.
3. Know nurse and emergency phone numbers.

Heat and Fire

1. Don't touch heat source or leave it unattended.
2. Don't heat liquids in closed containers.
3. Use safety goggles.
4. Never heat chemicals unless instructed to.
5. Never reach across a flame.
6. Always point test tubes away from people.
7. Use tongs or clamps when handling hot containers.

Chemicals

1. Only have the chemicals out that you are using.
2. Only mix chemicals that you were instructed to mix together. Never mix chemicals for fun.
3. Never touch, smell, or taste chemicals unless instructed to do so.
4. Always wear safety goggles.
5. Always wash your hands after handling chemicals.
6. Dispose of chemicals properly.

Glassware

1. Never use broken or chipped glassware.
2. Use tongs or clamps to pick up hot glassware.
3. Never eat or drink from glassware.
4. Properly clean glassware after using.

Sharp Instruments

1. Always handle sharp instruments with extreme care.
2. Always cut holding instruments away from your body.
3. Notify teacher if cut.