## Always Read and Follow all User Instructions

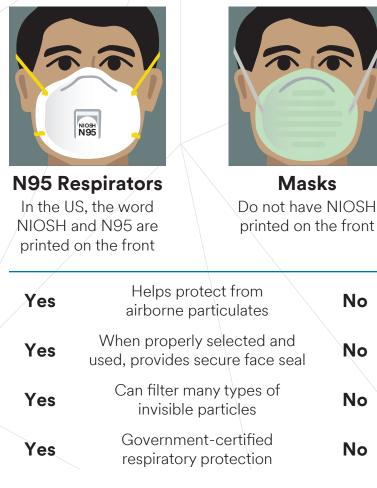
# Respirator Tips for Wildfire Smoke Areas

# What is an N95 respirator?

# **Respirators vs. Masks**

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N95 filtering facepiece respirators are tested and approved by the United States government as "respirators," meaning they can reduce the amount of airborne contaminants that a wearer inhales when correctly selected and used. The filtration efficiency of N95 respirators is tested and confirmed to be at least 95%, when correctly selected and used, and they are designed to seal against the face directing inhaled air through the filter material.

Non-approved masks, scarves, and bandanas are **not** equipped to provide respiratory protection.

# Wildfire Air

Wildfire-impacted air often contains many small particles, many of which are not visible to the human eye. Proper respiratory protection can help protect you from these particles if you have the proper fit and seal. Respirators with a N95 filter have the ability to filter particulates, while masks do not.

#### Stay safe during wildfire season by:

- For wildfires, use respirators for smoke particles and ash only, and at a safe distance from active fire
- Visit <u>AirNow.gov</u> to be aware of how wildfires are affecting air quality in your area
- 3M<sup>™</sup> N95 respirators are not for firefighting and do not provide oxygen

### For more information, visit <u>3M's wildfire resource page</u> or call Technical Service at 1 (800) 243-4630



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