STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE TEMPLATE · FACILITY, EMERGENCY AND DOWNTIME

Laboratory Cleaning and Housekeeping

Governing requirement: OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1030(d)(4)

Applies to: ☑ Waived ☑ Moderate complexity ☑ High complexity

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1. Purpose

To keep the laboratory clean and safe.

2. Scope

All laboratory areas.

3. Responsibility

- Laboratory director: approves the plan and authorizes downtime and recovery decisions.
- Supervisor on duty: activates the procedure and communicates with clients and staff.
- All staff: know their role, follow the checklist and document actions.

4. Definitions

Disinfectant: EPA-registered product **[Product and contact time]**.

5. Materials, equipment and records

- Cleaning log

6. Procedure

1. Disinfect benches at start and end of shift.

2. Clean equipment per manufacturer.

3. Empty waste when 3/4 full.

4. Document cleaning **[Frequency]**.

Frequency	

7. Quality control

- Test this plan with a drill or tabletop exercise at least **[Drill frequency]** and record lessons learned.

Drill frequency	

8. Interpretation, reporting and documentation

• Record the activity, date, result and initials on the form or log, and have the supervisor review records **[Review frequency]**.

Review frequency	

• Keep records per the record retention SOP (at least 2 years under 42 CFR 493.1105 unless a longer period applies).

9. Limitations and cautions

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10. References

• OSHA, 29 CFR 1910.1030 Bloodborne pathogens
https://www.osha.gov/laws-regs/regulations/standardnumber/1910/1910.1030

11. Lab-specific notes

Notes and local requirements	

12. Revision history

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13. Annual review log

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