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SPECIALIST MASK

- Most operationally flexible mask on the market; one mask all missions!
- The unique chlorobutyl/silicone blend face piece material ensures the mask is not only high in protection but also provides a better seal and is more comfortable to wear for extended periods.
- Flexible facepiece provides superior cheek-to-stock weld for weapons integration.
- Reduced buckle size for suit/helmet integration.
- Available in single port and twin port models.

MODES OF OPERATION

- M53A1 functions in both negative (APR, PAPR, CCBA) and positive pressure (SCBA, combination) modes.
- Mode selection lever located on the valve cassette assembly allows the operator to switch between modes without removing the amplifier or loss of protection.

COMMUNICATIONS

- Electronic pass-through for external radio use.
- Internal microphone assembly for enhance audio performance.
- Modular design ensuring maximum communications compatibility.
- Low profile, externally mounted amplifier for optimum inter-team communications.

M53A1 + General Purpose (GP) Filter

Meets the military unique environments of mil-spec PRF EA-M-10006. It is not a NIOSH approved configuration.

M53A1 + CS/CN Filter

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M53A1 + CBRNCF50 Canister

CBRN response in NIOSH required environments. NIOSH certified configuration.

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FILTRATION

* M53A1 mask is currently NIOSH certified in Negative Pressure mode ONLY.
** Mask shown with Audio Frequency Amplifier attached.
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## Breathing Performance (excluding filter)

| Re-breathed CO₂ | 0.8% |

## Inhalation resistance at:

| 85 l/Min | 15 mm WG |
| 160 l/min | 32 mm WG |

## Exhalation resistance negative pressure mode:

| 85 l/min | 15 mm WG |
| 160 l/min | 30 mm WG |

## Exhalation resistance positive pressure mode:

| 40 mm WG |

## Weight

| M53A1 mask (excluding filter) | 1.6 lbs. |

## Field of view

| Visual field Score - NIOSH CBRN standard | 96 |

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## Hydration

| Drinking Flow Rate | >230 ml/min |

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## Front Cover: M53A1 with CS/CN filter shown is not a NIOSH approved configuration.