Honeywell Safety Products offers a line of North Full Facepiece respirators that are designed to minimize the breathing of airborne contaminants. But, they must be worn correctly to provide the protection required by NIOSH standards. Before you use your North respirator, you should learn how to inspect it, don it, and use it in an emergency. You must become familiar with it in uncontaminated air. This information is covered as part of a complete Respirotor Training Program. If you have any questions on this respirator or how to use it, see your supervisor.

Your North respirator must be:
- Properly fitted to your face during a routine (usually annual) fit test
- Kept clean and in good working condition
- Worn correctly every time

This poster demonstrates how to inspect and put on your North full facepiece respirator.

**INSPECTION:**
Inspect the respirator before each use. If any parts are missing or damaged, replace those parts or the entire mask.

Note: The RU6500 comes with either a 5-strap suspension or 4-strap with mesh headnet

**ASSEMBLY OF FILTERS AND CARTRIDGES:**
If replaceable particulate filters are not used, go to step 6.

**PUTTING ON YOUR RESPIRATOR:**
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**USER SEAL CHECK:**
A positive and negative pressure User Seal Check assures you the respirator is seated correctly and in good working order. Before performing Seal Checks, exhale vigorously.

If no air leaks are detected during either check, reposition the facepiece and/or readjust the head straps including loosening the straps, if they have been overtightened. Repeat the seal check(s) until a seal is obtained.

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