

Wear the **most protective mask** that **works best** for you!

Choose a mask that gives you the **most protection + fits you well** + **feels comfortable** so that you'll wear it consistently!



Respirators



N95



KN95



KF94



Fits snug



Has a nose bridge



No leaking air on sides

Wear an N95, KN95, or KF94 respirator if you can. Remember to examine respirator markings to check for authenticity. You can find assessments of different respirator brands by scanning the QR codes below!

All masks and respirators give you SOME protection, but properly fitted (see above) respirators give you the highest level of protection.

Procedural masks



Surgical or Disposable mask

When N95 respirators, or other respirators, are hard to find, use a procedural mask (AKA a surgical or disposable mask). While procedural masks give less protection, they can still help protect you in high-risk situations, like being indoors or in crowds.

Double masking



Procedural mask



Cloth mask



Double mask

You don't have to throw out your favorite cloth masks!

For extra protection, you should wear a cloth mask over your procedural mask. Procedural masks and respirators give you better protection than cloth masks. But for anyone who has difficulty wearing other masks, a cloth mask is better than no mask! **Remember: There's no need to double mask over a respirator!**

Respirators, procedural masks, and double masking are the best ways to protect yourself from COVID-19. **Choose the mask that works best for you and wear it consistently!**



Scan to learn more about NIOSH approved N95 respirators.



Scan to learn more about the NPPTL respirator assessments.



Scan to learn more about the best practices on cleaning and maintaining your mask.



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