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All Johor Port Berhad Staffs, Contractors, Visitors and Port Users

Dear Sir/Madam,

PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES DURING HAZE CONDITIONS

In view of the current haze conditions and the potential health risks associated with deteriorating air quality, all employees, contractors, visitors and port users are reminded to take the necessary precautionary measures to protect their health and safety.

1. Facemask Usage

All personnel are encouraged to wear suitable facemasks during haze conditions, particularly when working or travelling in outdoor areas.

The use of a **properly fitted N95 or equivalent particulate respirator** is recommended when the **Air Pollutant Index (API) reaches the Unhealthy category or above**, or where significant exposure to haze and fine particulate matter is anticipated.

2. Workplace Safety Precautions

All personnel are advised to:

1. Wear a suitable facemask when working outdoors or when exposed to hazy conditions.
2. Minimise prolonged or unnecessary outdoor activities whenever practicable.
3. Keep vehicle windows closed and use the air-conditioning system while travelling or operating vehicles during haze conditions.
4. Stay adequately hydrated and take appropriate rest breaks, particularly when working in hot and hazy conditions.
5. Immediately report any symptoms such as breathing difficulty, chest discomfort, dizziness or unusual fatigue to the respective supervisor and seek medical attention where necessary.
6. Supervisors shall monitor the prevailing air quality and ensure appropriate control measures are implemented for personnel performing outdoor work.

3. Responsibility

All Department Heads, Supervisors and Contractors are requested to disseminate this notice to their respective personnel and ensure that the necessary precautionary measures are implemented and complied with throughout the haze period.

4. Contingency Plan

The following contingency measures shall be implemented based on the prevailing 24-hour Air Pollutant Index (API), in accordance with the DOSH Guidelines for the Protection of Employees Against the Effects of Haze at Workplaces.

Air Pollutant Index (API) Value	General Health Effects	Measures to be taken by Employer	Measures to be taken by Employees
51-100 (Moderate)	Few or has no ill effects on general population	- Identify susceptible employees - Identify types of outdoor work to be reduced when there is haze	All employees carrying out outdoor work to undergo respirator fit testing
101-200 (Unhealthy)	Mild aggravation of symptoms among susceptible persons i.e. those with heart and lung disease, with irritation symptoms in the healthy population	- Determine criteria for stopping outdoor work - Ensure sufficient stock of disposable N95 respirators - Improve efficiency of air cleaning devices for enhanced protection of indoor workers - Implement haze communication system between employer and employees - Communicate to employees on measures taken to protect their safety and health during haze - Improve efficiency of air cleaning devices for enhanced protection of indoor workers	All employees know when to stop outdoor work
201-300 (Very Unhealthy)	Significant aggravation of symptoms and decreased tolerance in persons with heart or respiratory illness; widespread symptoms in healthy population	- Outdoor work which involves strenuous physical activity should be minimised - Provide suitable respirators to susceptible employees working outdoors - If susceptible employees have difficulty working outdoors, employers should deploy them to work indoor - Advise workers on health measures - All construction sites to be sprayed with water regularly	- All employees carrying out outdoor work should wear suitable respirators - Susceptible employees should remain indoors and avoid strenuous work - Advise drink water regularly - Advise to use public transport
301 and above	Follow Guidelines by Ministry of Health (KKM)		

Your cooperation and commitment are greatly appreciated in maintaining a safe and healthy working environment.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

JOHOR PORT BERHAD



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