

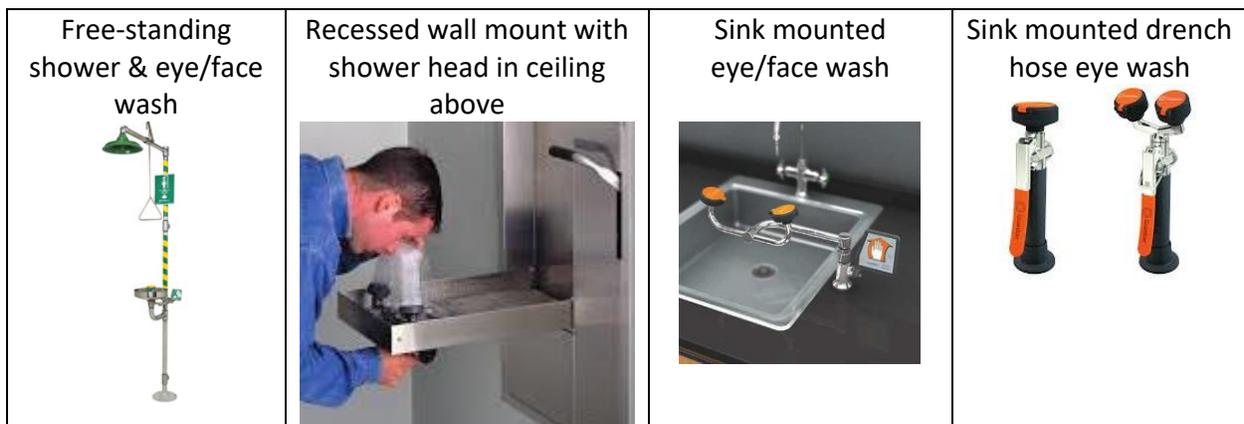
Spotlight On Safety

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EMERGENCY EYEWASH & SHOWER

Emergency eyewash and shower units are an important safety system in work areas across campus where dust making and chemical activities occur. When particulate gets in the eyes or chemical splashes the eyes, face or body, swift flushing with water can minimize injury. Making sure this equipment is ready and available for use whenever work is scheduled in labs, shops, and mechanical areas is the responsibility of supervisors. Treat eye/face washes and showers as critical safety equipment and train your employees and students to visually check the condition and readiness for use prior to beginning work each day as part of their startup routine.

Types of units typically found on campus:



Inspections

- ◆ Facilities Services performs monthly inspections, maintenance, repairs, and flow tests on emergency showers, eye/face washes, and combination units.
- ◆ If you know of an emergency eyewash or shower that has not been tested within the past month, submit a service request for Facilities Services here: <https://facilities.ucr.edu/requests>
- ◆ Principal Investigators are responsible to check the units in their work areas, at least weekly, to ensure all units are clean, free of trash and debris, accessible, have dust caps in place, and are ready to use. This includes units in hallways outside labs that are designated for their lab users use.
- ◆ If you feel a unit is dirty or has been contaminated submit a service request to have the unit cleaned and flushed here: <https://facilities.ucr.edu/requests>

Visit www.ehs.ucr.edu for additional information or call EH&S at 827-5528 if you have any questions.