



KENOSHA POLICE DEPARTMENT

POLICY AND PROCEDURE

83.1 Testing Suspected Fentanyl Substance

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I. PURPOSE

To provide guidelines for the use of appropriate safety precautions when testing fentanyl or suspected fentanyl related substances.

II. POLICY

Fentanyl and fentanyl related substances will be tested in a manner which does not expose officers or others to exposure.

III APPLICATION

This directive shall apply to all officers when field testing fentanyl or suspected fentanyl related substances.

IV PROCEDURE

- A. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) shall be donned prior to handling any fentanyl or suspected fentanyl related substances. The required equipment used shall be at a minimum, safety glasses (non-vented), Nitrile gloves, and an N-95 respirator mask. Protective gowns are also available for use in the evidence packaging room.
 - 1. The correct sequence for donning the PPE in order is gown (if used), respirator, goggles, and then gloves. Removal sequence of PPE would be the reverse order.

- B. Field Testing.
 - 1. All testing of fentanyl or suspected fentanyl related substances shall be conducted inside the Isola drug testing cabinet located in the evidence packaging room of the Public Safety Building. If at any time during the testing the Isola filter alarm activates, STOP using the cabinet IMMEDIATELY. Notify the Evidence supervisor or manager of the alarm so that they can change the filter.
 - 2. Always test the substance in the presence of one other person. The second individual is standing by in case of exposure and/or a reaction to exposure by the testing officer.
 - a. The second individual should remain ten (10) feet away from the officer while the substance is being tested.

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- b. If a situation presents itself where the use of Nasal Naloxone (Narcan) is needed, personnel that have received proper training may administer Nasal Naloxone (Narcan) in accordance with that training and the established guidelines provided by the County of Kenosha Division of Health, pursuant to guidelines set forth in Wisconsin State Law.
 - c. Nasal Naloxone is available in the evidence packaging room.
 3. Place the sample inside the Isola drug testing cabinet. Ensure the sash is in the lowered position before the unit is turned on or any testing is done.
 4. Turn on the cabinet light before opening any evidence or packaging for testing.
 5. Turn the cabinet vent blower on and allow the air to balance itself (approximately 30 seconds). You will hear the air balance and the LED panel will indicate 80 LFM's.
 6. Tare/zero the drug scale inside the testing hood when the vent is ON.
 7. Conduct your field testing.
 8. If fentanyl is suspected, properly package the substance in paper (bag or envelope). The bag or envelope shall then be labeled "SUSPECTED FENTANYL" using the labels provided in the evidence packaging room.
 9. Turn off the cabinet blower and light.
 10. Take out the evidence to transfer to the temporary storage lockers. Remove and dispose of the contaminated nitrile gloves into the red biohazard bins located in the evidence packaging room.
- C. It is the responsibility of the testing officer to clean the Isola drug testing cabinet. This shall be done at the completion of each test to prevent cross contamination.
 1. Personal Protective Equipment shall be worn. New nitrile gloves must be used to prevent cross contamination.
 2. Non-alcohol based wipes will be available near the Isola Cabinet for use in wiping down the cabinet. The wipes and other contaminated items will be disposed of in the red bio-hazard bins located in the evidence packaging room.
- D. Once the officer has completed testing and evidence submission, the officer will remove their PPE in the proper sequence of gloves, goggles, respirator and gown and will wash their hands with soap and water before returning to work. DO NOT use alcohol based hand sanitizer as this opens skin pores increasing the ability for a potential reaction.