

**3M™ FT-10 (sweet) and 3M™ FT-30 (bitter) fit test kits are suitable for disposable respirators, half facepiece fitted with particulate filters, and full facepieces fitted with particulate filters.<sup>1</sup>**



**!** Wearers must be clean-shaven to get a proper fit with a respirator.

**!** Please note, in order to carry out a full fit test, all the steps detailed below must be followed (Parts 1 & 2).

**Part 1 - Sensitivity Testing (The “Taste Test”)**

1. Add 1/2 teaspoon of sensitivity solution (in red labeled bottle) into the sensitivity nebulizer (marked in red). Visually confirm that the nebulizer produces a cloud of aerosol when the bulb is squeezed.
2. Place test hood on participant. A respirator should not be worn during the sensitivity test.
3. Ask the participant to breathe through their mouth with their tongue slightly extended and ask them to indicate immediately when they taste the solution.
4. Squeezing the bulb completely and aiming the nebulizer to the side rather than directly at the subject, squeeze solution into the hood and count the number of squeezes it takes for the solution to be tasted.
5. If desired, participant may drink some water.



**Part 2 - Fit Testing**

1. Add 1/2 teaspoon of test solution (in black labeled bottle) into the test nebulizer (marked in black). Visually confirm that the nebulizer produces a cloud of aerosol when the bulb is squeezed.
2. Don the respirator and make sure respirator is fitted correctly. Refer to the 3M fitting instructions or poster for correct procedure. After the respirator is correctly donned, wait five minutes before beginning the next step.
3. Place test hood on participant.

4. Introduce solution in an initial dose and start the exercises. Add a replenishing dose after every 30 second per the table below.
5. After the initial dose, ask the participant to carry out the 7 exercises shown in turn for 1 minute each and indicate immediately if solution is tasted. Remember to add a replenishing dose every 30 seconds. **Throughout the test, remind the participant to breathe through their mouth and visually confirm that the nebulizer is not clogged.**
6. Record all results. If solution is not tasted after all 7 exercises. they have passed the test with that specific respirator. **If solution is tasted, stop the test, rinse mouth, face, and hands, refit respirator and restart at Part 1 - Sensitivity Testing.** If solution is still tasted on the second attempt, stop the test, rinse hands, mouth, and face, and consider trying an alternative 3M respirator.
7. Discard all unused solution.

Number of Squeezes Needed in Part 1	Number of Squeezes for Initial Dose	Number of Squeezes for a Replenishing Dose Every 30 Seconds
1-10	10	5
11-20	20	10
21-30	30	15

**!** Stop the test if solution is not tasted after 30 squeezes. Try an alternative solution from below.

**Sweet taste**      3M-FT11 (sensitivity solution)  
3M-FT12 (test solution)

**Bitter taste**      3M-FT31 (sensitivity solution)  
3M-FT32 (test solution)

**7 Exercises**



This product is part of a system that helps reduce exposures to certain airborne contaminants. Before use, the wearer must read and understand these User Instructions. Follow all local regulations. In the U.S., a written respiratory protection program must be implemented meeting all the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.134, including training, fit testing and medical evaluation. In Canada, CSA standard Z94.4 requirements must be met and/or requirements of the applicable jurisdiction, as appropriate. Misuse may result in injury, sickness or death. For correct use, consult supervisor and User Instructions, or call 3M Technical Service in USA at 1-800-243-4630 and in Canada at 1-800-267-4414.

<sup>1</sup>Quantitative fit testing must be used when an assigned protection factor higher than 10 is needed for a full facepiece used in negative pressure mode, per 29 CFR 1910.134

