

Basis of Design

The purpose of this section is to provide the guidelines for the development of specifications for protecting air quality.

Overview

The University must comply with air quality regulations governed by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the designated local clean air authority. In King, Kitsap, Pierce and Snohomish Counties, the local authority is the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency (PSCAA).

Paint spray booths, bag filters (Seattle campus)

On the Seattle campus, installation of equipment that produces air emissions, such as paint spray booths and bag filters, may require a "Notice of Construction" from PSCAA. For further information, contact Campus Engineering and Operations at 206.221.4285.

Construction dust and odors

Take precautions to prevent visible dust emissions; for example, use water trucks and street sweepers. The Associated General Contractors of Washington and the Fugitive Dust Task Force published a brochure titled "Guide to Handling Fugitive Dust from Construction Projects." Call EH&S at 206.685.9036 for a copy.

Prevent odor emissions that could result in complaints. When odor is unavoidable, communicate in advance the cause and timeline to those potentially affected.