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KIT FOR THE TEAM RESPONSIBLE FOR HANDLING THE CORPSE - EBOLA*



*This kit is intended for personnel handling an Ebola-infected body.

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Items	Quantities (units)	Description	Technical requirements
 HOOD	10	• Single-use, Tyvek or similar fluid-resistant material. • Face opening constructed with or without elastic, reaches down to the shoulders, total length about 40 cm. • It can be adjusted and stays in place once adjusted.	Notes: The hood provided complies with WHO recommendations and is fluid-resistant, but it is not fluid-proof, which means that a fluid, blood or bodily secretions, can pass through the hood if splashed.
 GOGGLES	10	• Made of polycarbonate or similar material. • Cover the eyes and surrounding areas. • Compatible with prescription glasses. • Indirect ventilation. • Adjustable strap.	EU Standard Directive 86/686/EEC, EN 166/2002, ANSI/ISEA Z87.1-2010, or Equivalent
 RESPIRATORS	10	• High resistance to fluids. • Its shape prevents the respirator from easily falling against the mouth.	NIOSH N95, EN149 FFP2 Fluid resistance: minimum pressure of 80 mmHg based on ASTM F1862, ISO 22609
 COVERALL	10	• Single use. • Sizes L, XL, XXL. • Front closure. Elasticated cuffs and ankles. Hooded.	Meets or exceeds the exposure pressure specified in ISO 16603 Class 3 or equivalent.
 APRONS	10	• PVC-coated polyester or 100% PVC or 100% rubber or disposable plastic. • Waterproof. • Minimum base weight: 250 g/m². • Adjustable neck strap, reusable. • Cover size: 70–90 cm width x 120–150 cm height, or standard adult size.	
 GLOVES	100 (1 box)	• Powder-free. • Non-sterile. • The cuff extends to the middle of the forearm (minimum total length of 280 mm).	EU Directive 93/42/EEC Class I, EU Standard: EN 455 89/686/EEC Class III, EN 374
 HEAVY-DUTY GLOVES	10 pairs	• Heavy-duty gloves. • Powder-free. • Extended cuff protects the wrist and forearm, approximately 40 cm total length. • Sizes: M, L, XL.	EU Standard Directive 89/686/EEC Category III, EN 374. Chemical resistance for AKL EN 374. For biological hazards, performance level 3. EN 388 4101 for abrasion, blade cut, tear, and puncture resistance. EN 420:2004+A1:2009 or equivalent.
 BOOTS	10 pairs	• Sizes 9, 10, 11. • PVC sole, slip-resistant, fully sealed. • Knee-high, 18 inches. • Waterproof.	
 BIOHAZARD BAG	100	• 40x60 cm biohazard waste bag with the printed • "Biohazard" pictogram, made of polypropylene, autoclavable.	
 BACKPACK SPRAYER	2	• 12 L, with leak-proof lid. • Acid-resistant. • Lever-operated, preferably with spray control valve. • Adjustable nozzle that allows for straight or circular spraying.	

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 **MANUAL SPRAYER**	**4**	• 1.5 L, with leak-proof cap, acid-resistant.	
 **ANTI-FOG SOLUTION**	**10**	• Anti-fog solution for use on plastic surfaces.	
 **BODY BAGS**	**4**	• Waterproof, linearly reinforced LLDPE, LDPE, EVA, PEVA, avoiding PVC. Minimum thickness 400 microns. • Must be able to support a weight of 100–125 kilograms, 200–250 pounds. • Must not contain chlorides, since burning chlorides pollutes the environment and can cause damage to retort chambers. • Body bags must not be carcinogenic or harmful to the health of funeral workers when used for cremations. • At least 6 handles. • Heat-sealed, ensuring superior strength and safety. • Ensures complete control of bloodborne pathogens. • Fracture point of 25–32 degrees below zero. • Shelf life of at least 10 years. • Adult size of at least 230 x 90 cm.	

Sources and resources:
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