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| **DuPont Tyvek/Tychem Suits** | 5 years | ▪ Suits can be used for training after 5 years  
▪ Retired garments should be labeled: “Training Use Only” |
| **Haz Mat Booties**  
(yellow)  
Over-the-shoe | Unlimited | ▪ Thurston County has no information in writing, however in speaking with a Grainger (vendor) tech person in May 2008, he stated there is NO shelf life. |
| **Chem Tape** | Approx 2 years for adhesive | ▪ Standard shelf life for the adhesive is 2 years from the date of manufacture. It may lose some of its tackiness after 2 years.  
▪ The Zytron film composites MAY lose their protective characteristics or physical properties over time (10 years). |
| **Sol-Vex (green) Gloves** | 5 years | ▪ Prolonged exposure to direct sunlight or excessive heat will reduce shelf life and result in fading, discoloration and cracking. |
| **Tingley Hazproof Boots**  
(orange) | Unlimited if stored and inspected properly | ▪ Vendor recommends annual inspection (inside and outside)  
▪ Boots should be kept in the plastic bag they came in or in an alternate container that keeps cross-contamination with other materials to a minimum.  
▪ Storage conditions:  
  ▪ Temp: 40-90 degrees F  
  ▪ Humidity 20-60% |
| **M8 Chemical Agent Detector Paper** | Unlimited | ▪ Avoid excess heat and cold. |
| **M9 Chemical Agent Detector Paper** | 3-6 years | ▪ Has expiration date on wrapper. |
| **M256A1 Detector Kits** | 5 years | ▪ Check on kit to find an expiration date or call manufacturer. |
| **M256A1 Trainer Kit** | 5 years | ▪ Check on kit to find an expiration date or call manufacturer. |
| **3M Lithium Battery Pack**  
for the Rapid Response Powered Air Purifying Respirator System (PAPR) | Max 10 years from date of manufacture | ▪ Date of manufacture will be on the side of the battery, i.e. 0201 would be Feb 2001. |
| **3M Canisters for the Rapid Response PAPR** | See expiration date on the foil wrapper |

This information is to be used only as a guideline only. This shelf life information is only appropriate when the equipment is stored according to manufacturer’s recommendations.

For more information:
1. Contact the manufacturer directly.  
2. Please see the Homeland Security Region 3 website for more detailed information:  
   [www.co.thurston.wa.us/hsr3/equipment/equipment.htm](http://www.co.thurston.wa.us/hsr3/equipment/equipment.htm)