General Rules & Regulations of NCPRE Laboratories

1. Lab entry rules

For all members/ non-members/ visitors

> Before entering the labs

- Remember: The lab is not a meeting place. Enter the lab only if you need to work with instruments, or if you are being given a tour. Nobody is allowed to wait inside the lab without the presence of their mentor or tour instructor.
- Get your body temperature checked from the staff available on duty. (Note: The staff will use IR Thermometer to check the body temperature).
- Wearing socks is mandatory bring your own pair.
- Wear nose mask bring your own.
- Wear the safety face shield / safety goggles bring your own.
- Persons wearing shorts and/ or sleeveless clothing will not be allowed inside the labs.
- Pregnant women are advised not to enter the labs.
- Place your shoes/ sandals in an orderly manner on the shoe rack outside.
- Leave your bags, notebooks, water bottles in an orderly manner outside.
- Only cell phones, laptops are permitted to be taken in.
- Do not hold the main door open and talk to others across the door.
- Members: Use the Biometric access card to enter the lab. Do not use your own biometric access card to let in other people who don't have lab access.

> After entering the labs

- Sanitize your hands with the help of Hand-sanitizer stand.
- Wear the hand gloves.
- Wear lab sandals.
- Wear hairnet.

2. Buddy System

For members/ any usage of laboratories

- For safety reasons, no one is allowed to work alone in the lab between 8pm and 8am on all days. During weekends and all holidays also buddy system needs to be followed.
- A buddy refers to any other lab member (need not be an AU) present with you, while working within the lab.
- Each lab member is individually responsible to ensure that a buddy is ALWAYS present.
- Buddies may change during lab use.
- Buddies must communicate with each other regularly (at least every 15 minutes). This ensures the safety and well-being of all lab members during lab use.
- Usage of any Hazardous Gases (gases stored inside the gas cabinet) between 8pm and 8am/holidays requires prior intimation & approval from the facility team. Facility team members will ensure/take care of the service corridor safety.
- Entry must be made in the 'Buddy Log Book' which is placed in every lab.

3. Chemistry Lab rules

Even if you need to use the lab only for a few minutes (for eg: to use acetone), the following rules must be followed.

IF IN DOUBT, PLEASE ASK.

> Before going into Chemistry Room:

- Place regular lab sandals on the shoe rack outside Chemistry Room.
- Wear **covered** lab sandals.
- Wear hair net, chemical resistant apron, facemask, gloves, and goggles.

> In the Chemistry room, before starting your work:

- Fill up the 'Chemical Warning Form' available in the Chemistry Room.
- Check that the mixture of chemicals which you need is a compatible one.
- Label the petridish/ beaker if you want to leave your sample in it for some time with your name, chemical name, contact no.
- Check that there is space in the 'Used Chemical' bottle available for disposing the respective chemical/ mixture after use.

➤ After completion of work in the Chemistry room:

- Dispose the hairnet, regular gloves, facemask into the dustbin.
- Place the goggles back into the box provided.
- Remove the chemical resistant apron, place it on the hanger provided outside.
- Place the covered lab sandals back on the rack.

4. Clean room rules

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- Char Lab: Not more than 8 people are allowed at a time.
- **Fab Lab**: Not more than 8 people are allowed at a time.
- **Metalization Lab**: Not more than 5 people are allowed at a time.
- **HSC Lab**: Not more than 8 people are allowed at a time.
- Module Lab: Not more than 8 people are allowed at a time.
- Student's Lab: Not more than 5 people are allowed at a time.
- Thin flim Lab: Not more than 5 people are allowed at a time.
- **Battery Lab**: Not more than 5 people are allowed at a time.
- **Fesem Lab**: Not more than 5 people are allowed at a time.
- Energy Storage Lab: Not more than 8 people are allowed at a time.

> Before entering the clean rooms:

- Place regular lab sandals on the shoe rack outside the lab in an orderly manner.
- Wear the clean room clothing according to the order specified:
 - ✓ Wear the hairnet.
 - ✓ Wear the facemask.
 - ✓ Wear the clean room headgear.
 - ✓ Wear the clean room gown.
 - ✓ Wear the clean room shoes.
 - ✓ Wear the clean room gloves.

> While working in the clean rooms:

- Be conscious of your surroundings, no fast movements should be made inside the lab.
- After your work is done, ensure that the instrument & its surrounding area are clean and tidy.

➤ While exiting the clean rooms:

- Remove the clean room clothing according to the order specified:
 - ✓ Remove the clean room shoes & place it on its rack in the right manner.
 - ✓ Remove the clean room gown & put it in the Laundry drum for wash.
 - ✓ Remove the headgear & put it in the Laundry drum for wash.
 - ✓ Dispose the hairnet, gloves, facemask into the dustbin.

5. Violation/Offence response

> Response to lab rules violations:

- 1st offence without accident warning.
- 2nd offence without accident lab service.
- 3rd offence without accident report of the offence, determination of the cause recommendation to avoid repeat. Team of Faculty members review for punishment.
- 1st offence with accident report of the offence, determination of the cause, recommendation to avoid repeat. Team of Faculty membersreview for punishment.

6. Issuing Lab consumables/ chemicals

For issuing lab consumables please send an email to consumables.ncpre@gmail.com.

Mr. Kailash Waje will check in the inventory & revert to your mail for collecting the required lab consumables. Further, the lab consumables/ chemicals issuing timing will be as below.

Lab Consumables: All Days. Timing 9:30am to 10:30am and 2pm to 3pm.

Chemicals: Tuesday & Thursday. Timing 9:30am to 10:30am and 2pm to 3pm. Since the chemicals are located in Chemical Storage, Hill side; Users are requested to plan their processes accordingly.