
Flammable Liquids & Spray Finishing

- 1910 Subpart H



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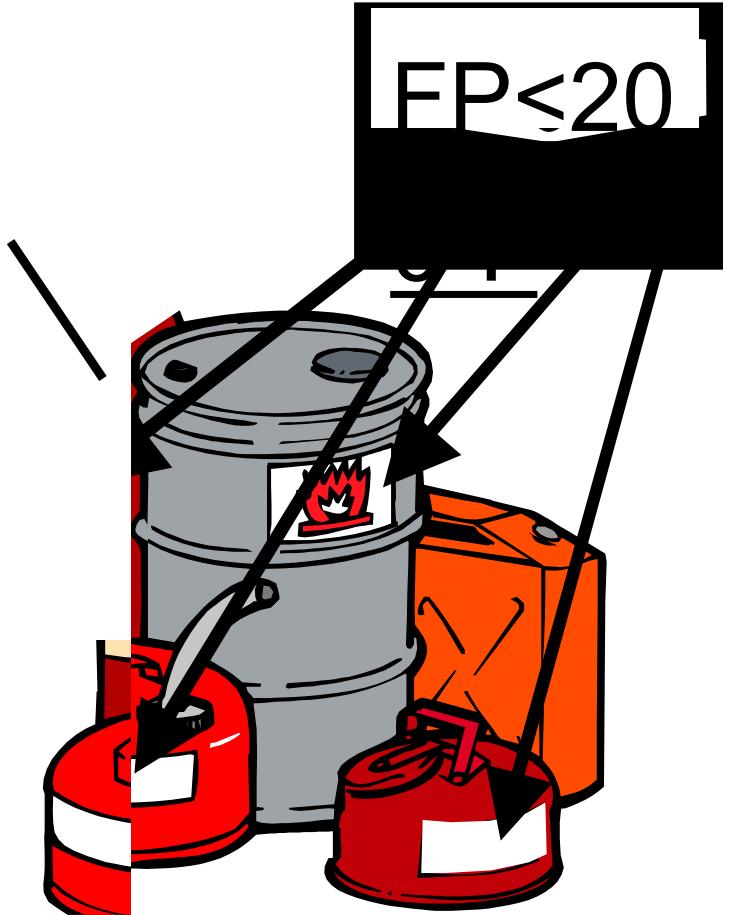


- ✓ **1910.101(b) Compressed gas – Handling, storage and use**
- ✓ **1910.106(e)(6)(ii) Class I liquids – Dispensing**
- ✓ **1910.107(b)(5)(i) Spray booth – Air velocity**
- ✓ **1910.107(c)(6) Spray areas – Approved wiring**
- ✓ **1910.107(g)(2) Spray areas – Free from combustible residue**

Flammable Liquid Storage & Handling



- This standard applies to the handling, storage, and use of flammable and combustible liquids with a flash point (FP) below 200°F



Flash Point

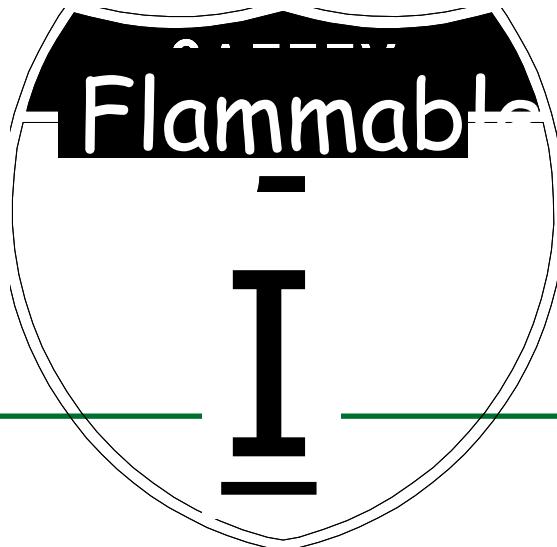
- The minimum temperature at which a liquid gives off vapor within a test vessel in sufficient concentration to form an ignitable mixture with air near the surface of the liquid
- Flash point is normally an indication susceptibility to ignition



- *Combustible liquid* means any liquid having a flash point at or above 100°F (37.8°C)
- Combustible liquids are divided into two classes as follows:
 - *Class II liquids* shall include those with flash points at or above 100°F (37.8°C) and below 140°F
 - *Class III liquids* shall include those with flash points at or above 140°F
 - » *Class IIIA liquids* shall include those with flash points at or above 140°F (60°C) and below 200°F
 - » *Class IIIB liquids* shall include those with flash points at or above 200°F

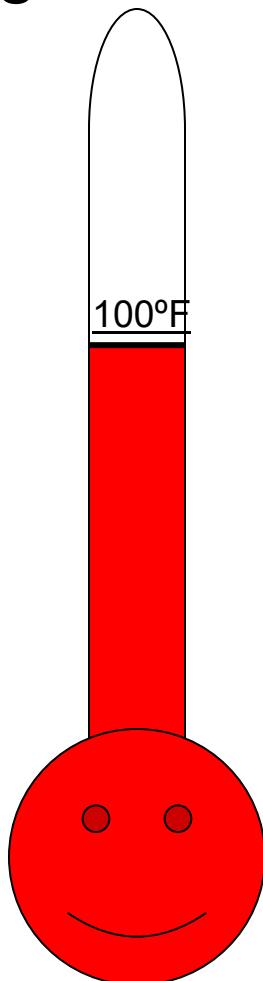
Flammable Liquid

- *Flammable liquid* means any liquid having a flash point below 100°F
- Flammable liquids are known as Class I liquids



Flammable Liquid

- Class I liquids are divided into three classes as follows:
 - Class IA shall include liquids having flash points below 73°F and having a boiling point below 100°F
 - Class IB shall include liquids having flash points below 73°F and having a boiling point at or above 100°F
 - Class IC shall include liquids having flash points at or above 73°F and below 100°F



Flammable (Explosive) Limits

- ✓ **Flammable range:** The proper proportion of air and vapor from a flammable or combustible liquid in which an explosion can occur

Flammable (Explosive) Limits



- ✓ **Lower flammable limit**: minimum concentration of vapor in air below which propagation of flame does not occur
- ✓ **Upper flammable limit**: maximum concentration of vapor in air above which propagation of flame does not occur

Storage Cabinets



- ✓ Not more than 60 gallons of Class I or Class II liquids, or 120 gallons of Class III liquids may be stored in a cabinet
- ✓ Internal temperature must not exceed 325° F when subjected to a 10 minute fire test
- ✓ Conspicuously labeled, “Flammable – Keep Fire Away”

FLAMMABLE
KEEP FIRE AWAY

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Storage Rooms



- ✓ **Class I liquids approved under Subpart S**
- ✓ **Class II & III liquids must be approved for general use**

Ventilation



- ✓ **Every inside storage room must be provided with either a gravity or a mechanical exhaust ventilation system**
- ✓ **Must provide a complete change of air at least 6 times per hour**

Storage Rooms



- ✓ **Aisle at least 3' wide**
- ✓ **Containers over 30 gallons must not be stacked**
- ✓ **Dispensing only by approved pump or self-closing faucet**

Grounding & Bonding



- ✓ Flammable liquid, when dropping through the air, creates it's own static electricity
- ✓ Grounding - Class I liquid containers must be grounded to a proper ground
- ✓ Bonding - Class I liquids must not be dispensed into containers unless the nozzle and container are electrically interconnected

Is This Bonding or Grounding?



Test

- ◆ What is generally considered a flammable liquid?
- ◆ Answer – A Liquid with a flashpoint of <100 Deg. F
- ◆ What is generally considered a combustible liquid?
- ◆ Answer – A Liquid with a flashpoint of >100 Deg. F
- ◆ What is a UEL?
- ◆ Answer – Upper Explosive Limit
- ◆ What is a TLV? Where would you find this information?
- ◆ Threshold Limit Value, MSDS or ACGIH Handbook

Spray Finishing



Spray Finishing - Flammable & Combustible Materials

- ✓ Based on NFPA 33, *Spray Finishing Using Flammable and Combustible Materials*
- ✓ Does not apply to outdoor spray application nor to portable spraying apparatus not used repeatedly in the same location

Construction of Spray Booths

- ✓ Spray booths must be constructed of steel or concrete or masonry
- ✓ Spray booths may be made of aluminum for low volume spraying operations
- ✓ Spray booths must be designed to sweep the air flow toward the exhaust outlet

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SMOKING**





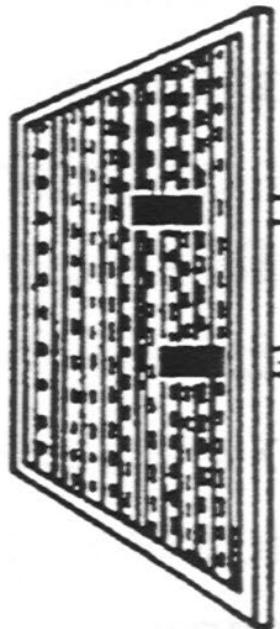
Construction of Spray Booths



- ✓ Inside walls must not have sharp edges that could cause injury
- ✓ Designed in a way that keeps paint residue from building up to facilitate easy cleaning
- ✓ Floors should be made of, or covered with, a non-combustible material that is easy to clean

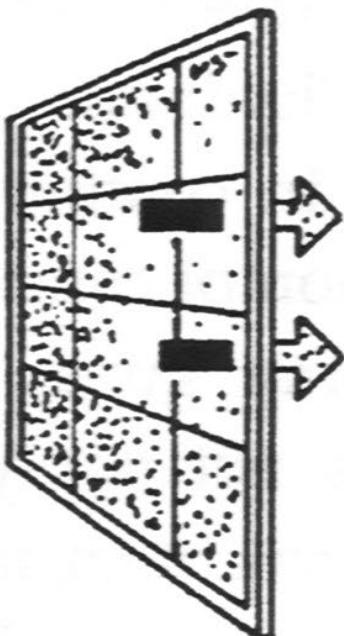
Different types of filters used in spraying operations.

DRY FILTERS



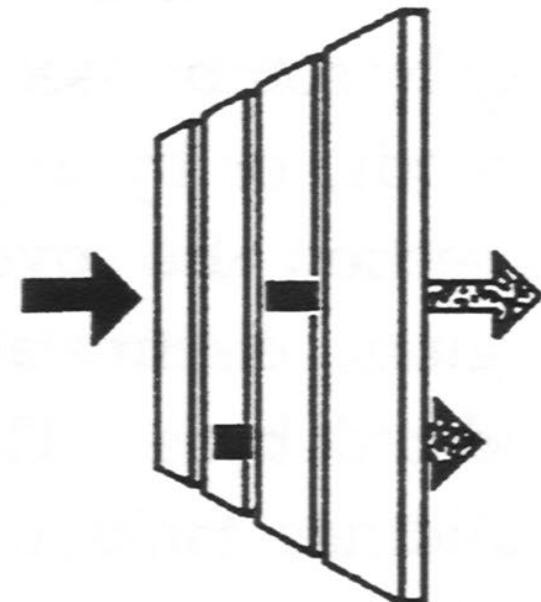
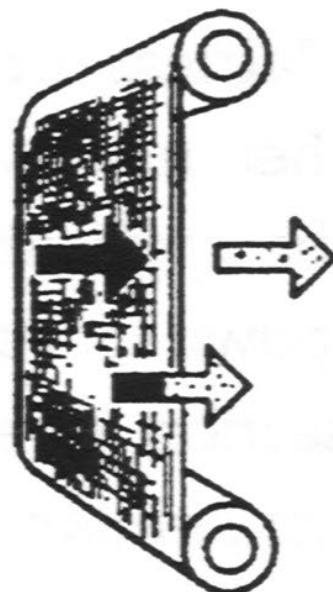
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FILTER ROLL



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BAFFLE PLATES

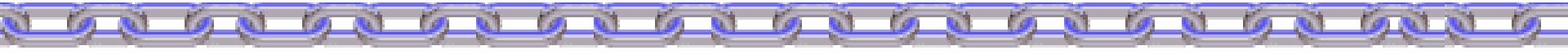




Baffle Plates

- ✓ **Made of a non-combustible material**
- ✓ **Accessible on both sides for cleaning purposes**
- ✓ **Not located in the exhaust ducts**

Dry-Type Overspray Collectors



- ✓ Air flow over the open face of the booth must be at least 100 feet per minute(fpm) for operations other than electrostatic spraying
- ✓ For electrostatic spraying the air flow over the open face of the booth must be at least 60 fpm
- ✓ Must have visible gauges or audible alarms that justify the proper air flow

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SPRAY



HEAT



ON



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AIR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS



Dry-Type Overspray Collectors

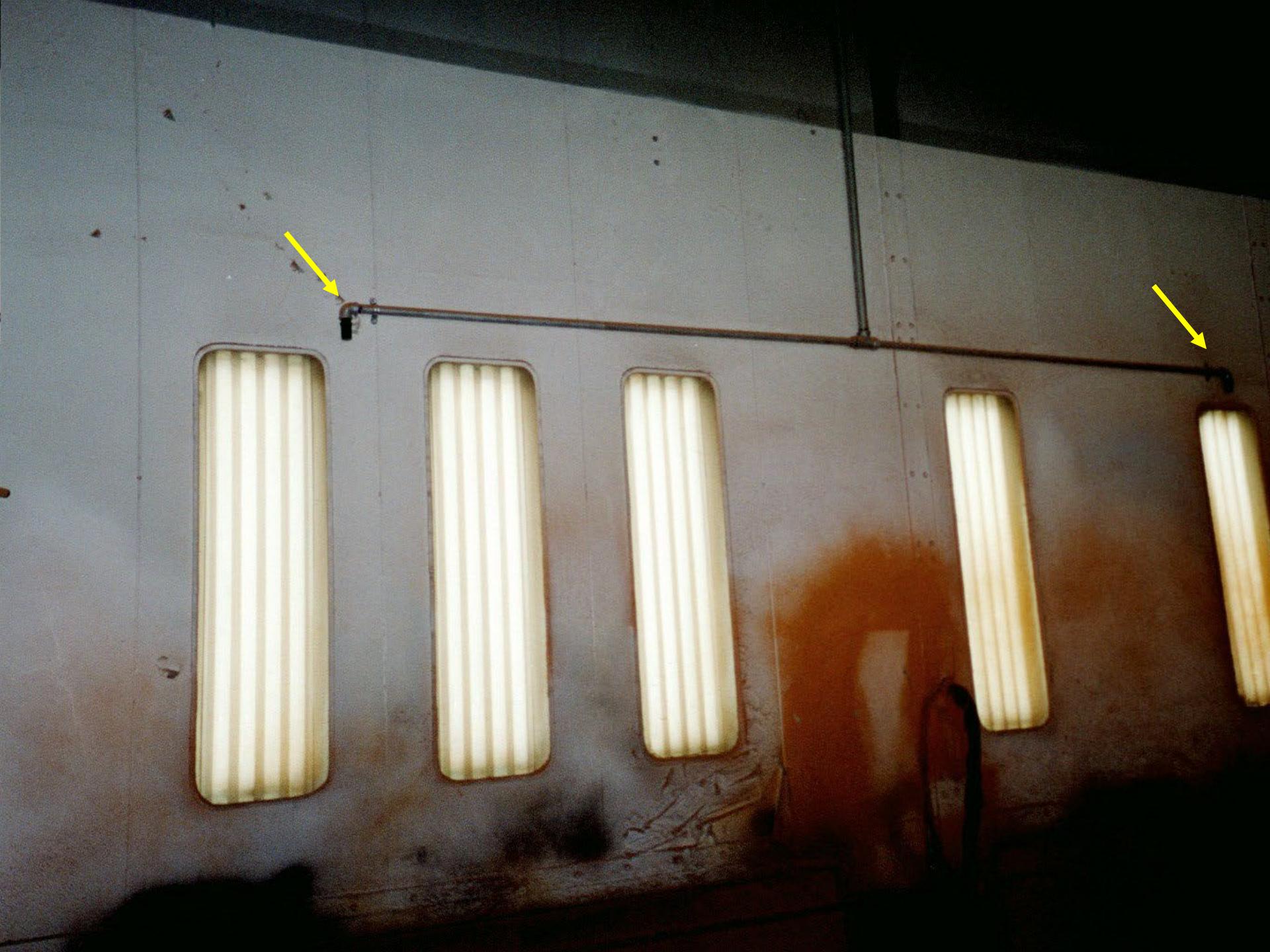


- ✓ Filter rolls and pads inspected frequently
- ✓ When cleaning or replacing filter rolls and pads, they must be immediately moved to a safe place and put in a metal container that is filled with water
- ✓ Should be thrown away at the end of the day or kept completely underwater in the container

Dry-Type Overspray Collectors



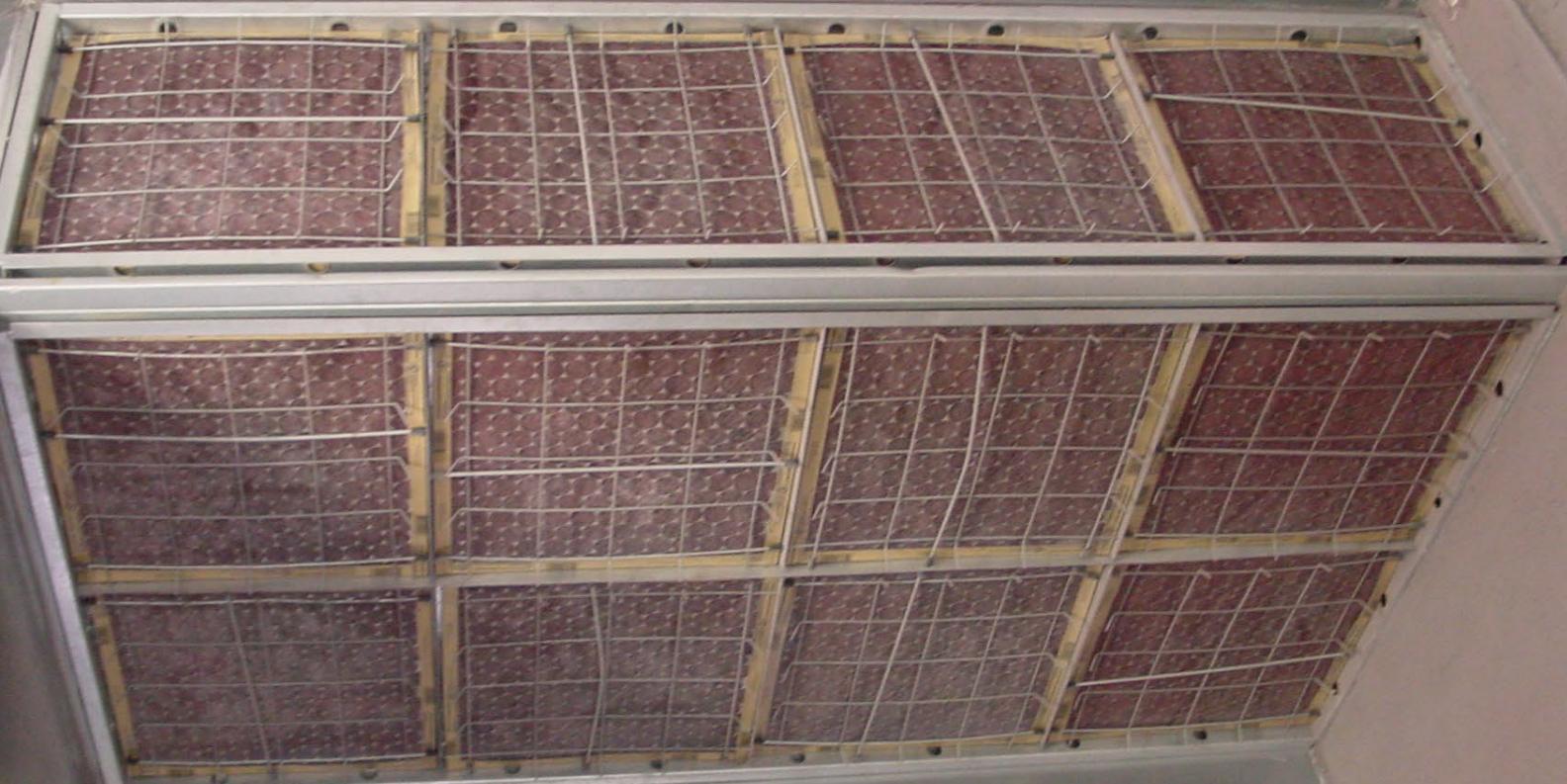
- ✓ The space inside the booth on the downstream and upstream sides of the filters must be protected with an automatic sprinkler or a dry chemical or carbon dioxide extinguisher



Dry-Type Overspray Collectors



- ✓ Filters or filter rolls must not be used when spraying a material that is easily combustible
- ✓ Filters must be made of a material that is not combustible
- ✓ Filters must not be used with different spraying materials that are combustible when mixed together





Separation of Operations



- ✓ Spray booths must be separated from other operations by at least 3 feet or by a wall
- ✓ All sides need to be accessible for cleaning
- ✓ Keep stored materials at least 3 feet away from all sides of the booth

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Fire and Electrical Hazards

- ✓ Sparks and open flames must be at least 20 feet away unless completely separated by a wall
- ✓ Keep space heaters away from spray booths
- ✓ Electrical equipment must be kept away so flammable material doesn't accumulate creating a fire hazard

Fire and Electrical Hazards

~~Keep portable electric lamps away from
spray booths when you are spraying~~

- ✓ All metal parts of spray booths must be permanently grounded

Ventilation



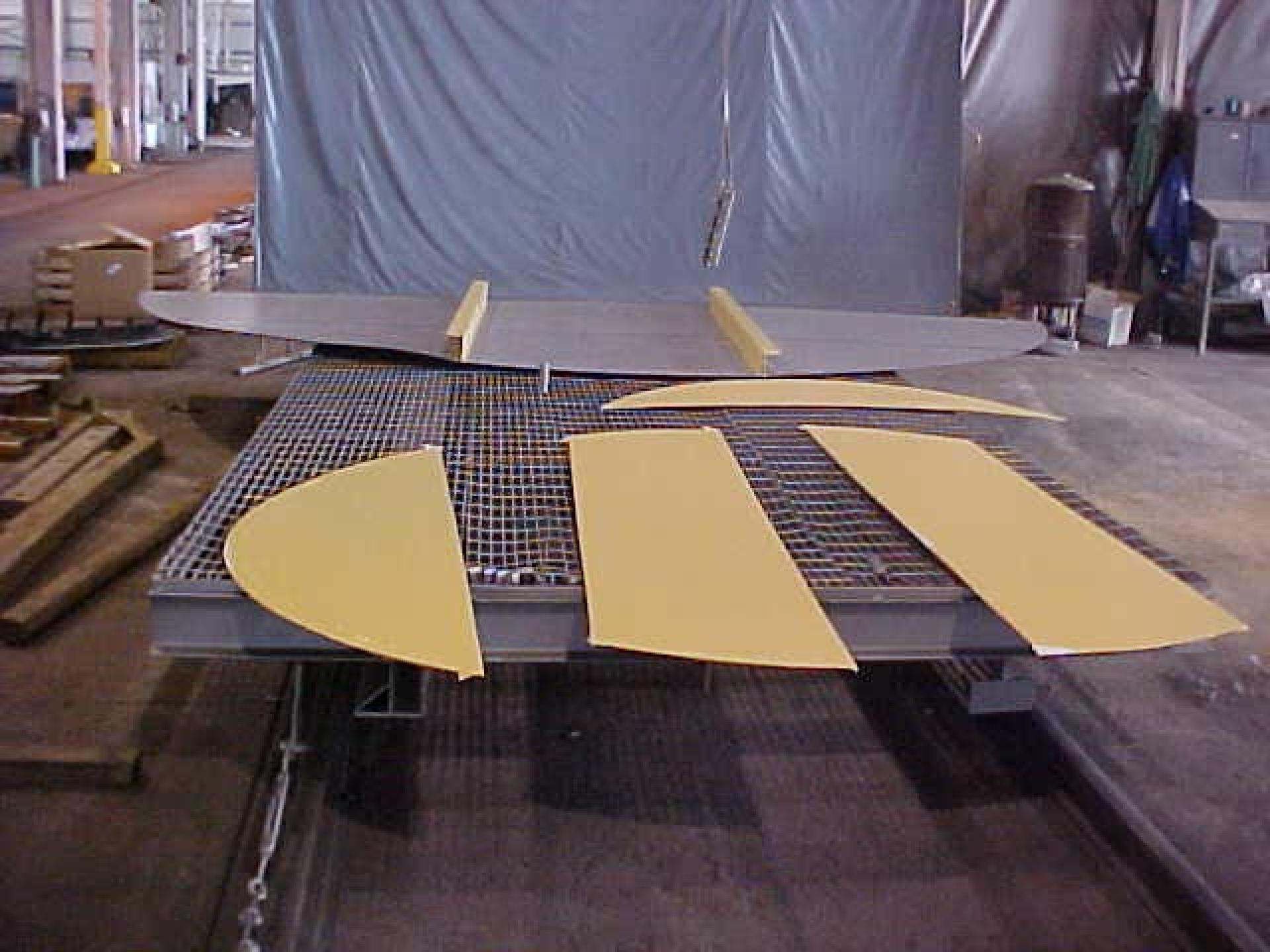
- ✓ Spray areas must have a form of mechanical ventilation that moves harmful vapors and powders to a safe location
- ✓ Must continue to be ventilated even after spraying stops so any harmful vapors are removed from the area



Ventilation



- ✓ Electric motors for exhaust fans must not be placed inside the booth
- ✓ Items sprayed must be dried in a well ventilated area





Material Storage Requirements



- ✓ Only keep enough spray material near the booth for one day or one work shift
- ✓ Do not bring flammable liquids into a spray area in open containers.
- ✓ Use original closed containers or approved safety cans or a safe piping system
- ✓ Keep the container that supplies the spray nozzle closed with a metal cover





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Material Storage Requirements

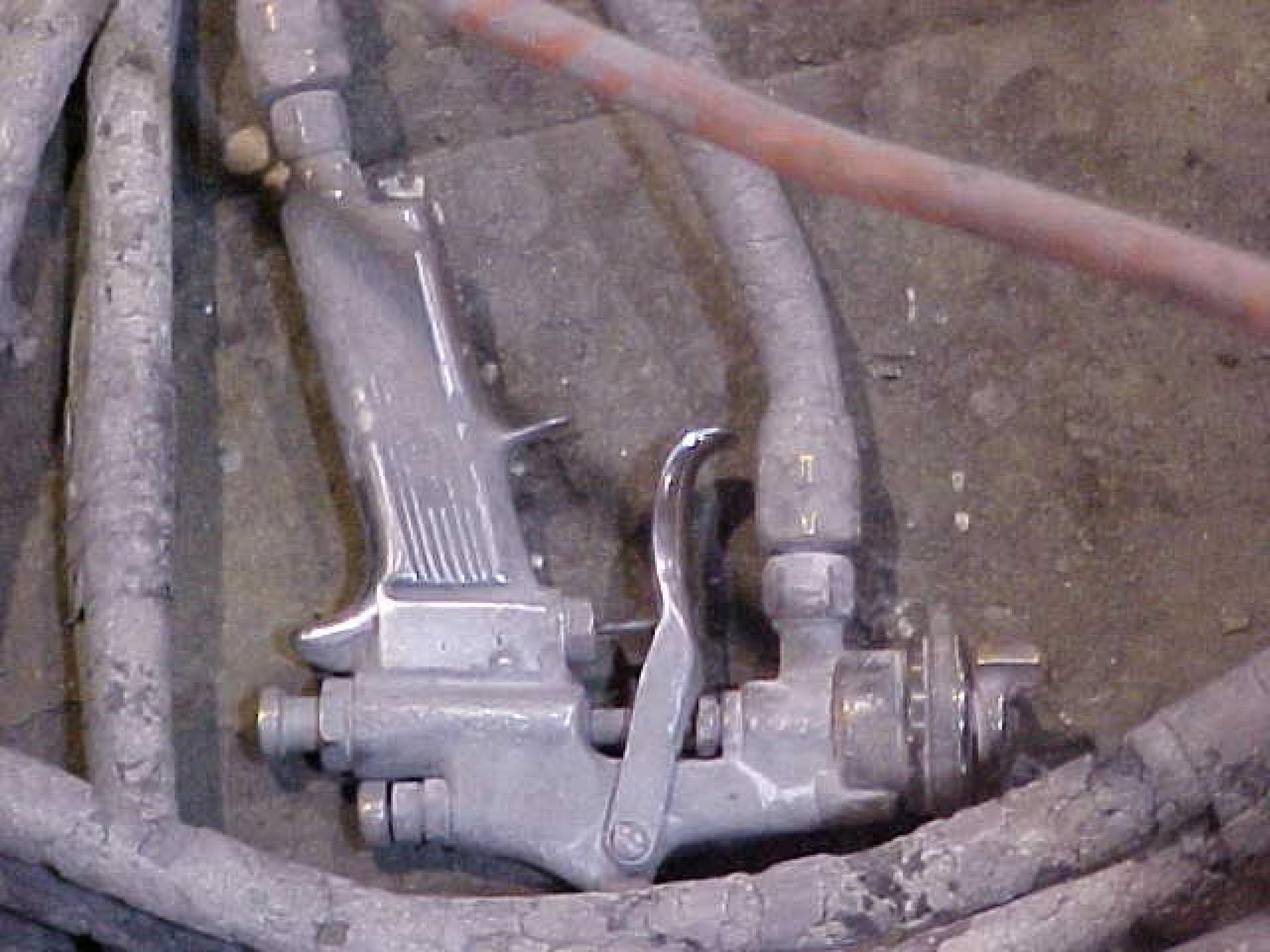


- ✓ Containers that supply the spray nozzle by gravity flow must not hold more than ten gallons
- ✓ When transferring flammable liquids from one container to another, both must be grounded.



Air Supplied Spray Nozzles

- ✓ Original shipping containers must not be used to supply the spray nozzle
- ✓ Only keep enough material in the spray container for one days work
- ✓ Make sure that the shut off valve on the spray container works properly
- ✓ The spray container must have an air pressure gauge that is easily visible



Pipes & Hoses

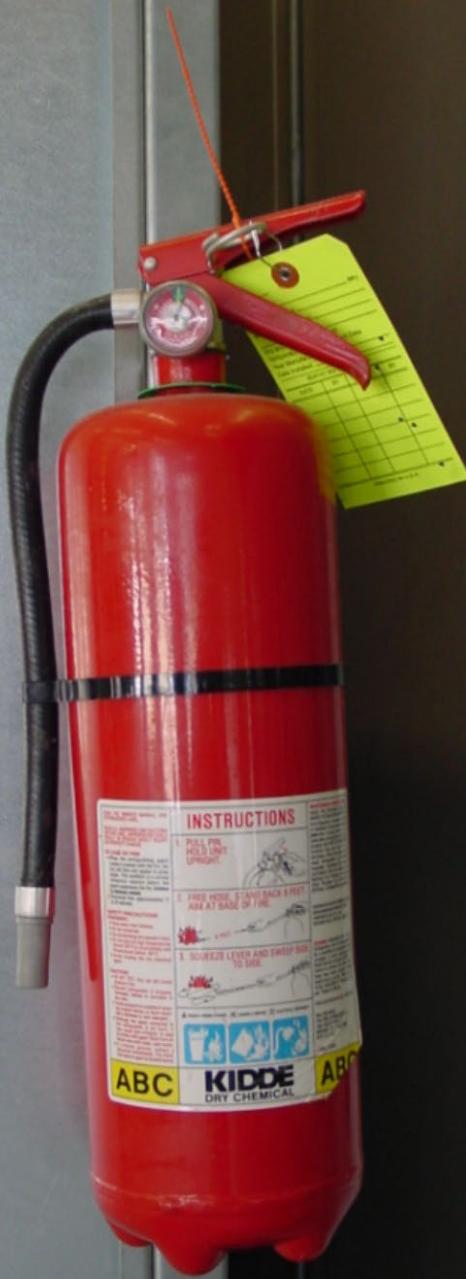


- ✓ All pipes & hoses connected to a spray container must have a shut off valve at the connection
- ✓ Valves kept closed when not in use
- ✓ Replace damaged hose immediately
- ✓ All piping systems must be properly grounded



Fire Protection of Spray Booths

- ✓ Sprinkler heads that protect spray areas must be kept clean from spray material
- ✓ Clean them daily if necessary
- ✓ The proper type of fire extinguisher must be nearby for emergency use



Spraying Safely



- ✓ Only spray in the designated area
- ✓ Cleaning tools must be made of a non-sparking material
- ✓ Waste & debris must be properly disposed of in an approved metal waste can
- ✓ Waste can must be emptied daily or at the end of each shift





Spraying Safely



- ✓ **Clothing must not be left at the workplace overnight unless kept in a metal locker**
- ✓ **“No Smoking” signs must be easily visible around the booth and storage area**

Safety Requirements for Electrostatic Equipment

- ✓ High-voltage leads to electrodes must be properly insulated and protected from mechanical injury
- ✓ Insulators must be kept clean and dry
- ✓ A safe distance must be maintained between electrodes and objects being painted of at least twice the sparking distance
- ✓ A sign, easily visible, must be posted near the assembly that shows this distance

Safety Requirements for Electrostatic Equipment

- ✓ Conveyors are required when using this process to support objects being painted
- ✓ The spray area must be well ventilated

Safety Requirements for Electrostatic Equipment

Electrostatic equipment must be equipped with automatic controls that will disconnect the power supply when:

- ✓ Ventilating fans stop working
- ✓ The conveyor carrying objects through the high voltage field stops working
- ✓ The safe distance clearance is reduced

Electrostatic Hand Spraying

Grounding



- ✓ The handle of the gun must be grounded
- ✓ In normal operating positions the operator must be in contact with the grounded handle
- ✓ Containers, wash cans, and any other electrically conductive objects in the spray area must be grounded.

Electrostatic Hand Spraying

Grounding

✓ Objects being painted must maintain a

**metallic contact with the conveyor in order
to be properly grounded**

- ✓ Hooks must be cleaned regularly to keep this contact

Ventilation



- ✓ Electrical equipment must be designed in a way that it will not function unless the ventilation fans are in operation
- ✓ The spraying area must be adequately ventilated to remove harmful solvent vapors.

Ovens & Furnaces

- ✓ Pre-ventilate the work area before starting the oven to avoid an explosion
- ✓ The heating system must automatically shut down if the ventilation system stops working
- ✓ Do not use the booth for drying or other operations that could raise the surface temperature of the booth

Powder Coating



- ✓ Protected from open flames & sparks
- ✓ Booths & equipment must be grounded
- ✓ Portable lamps may not be used
- ✓ Only approved lamps may be used during cleaning & repair work
- ✓ Spray area must be well ventilated

Powder Coating



- ✓ **Keep the booth and spray area clean. Do not allow combustible dust to build up**
- ✓ **Electrostatic equipment must not create a fire hazard**
- ✓ **Equipment must never reach temperatures over 150° F**

Special Coatings

Organic Peroxides

- ✓ Dual Component Coatings
 - Epoxy

Special Coatings



- ✓ **Highly hazardous chemicals**
- ✓ **The most widely used are benzoyl peroxide and methyl ethyl ketone(MEX) peroxide**
- ✓ **Burn more rapidly than ordinary flammable liquids or combustible solids**

Special Coatings



- ✓ Spraying operations must be done in spray booths with approved sprinklers
- ✓ “No Smoking” signs posted in any area where organic peroxides are stored, mixed or applied
- ✓ Only non-sparking tools may be used in these areas

Special Coatings

Reference should be made to various industry recognized documents which address control methods relating to these processes and materials.

- ✓ NFPA 43A, Liquid, Solid Oxidizing Materials
- ✓ NFPA 43B, Organic Peroxide Formulations
- ✓ NFPA 49, Hazardous Chemicals Data

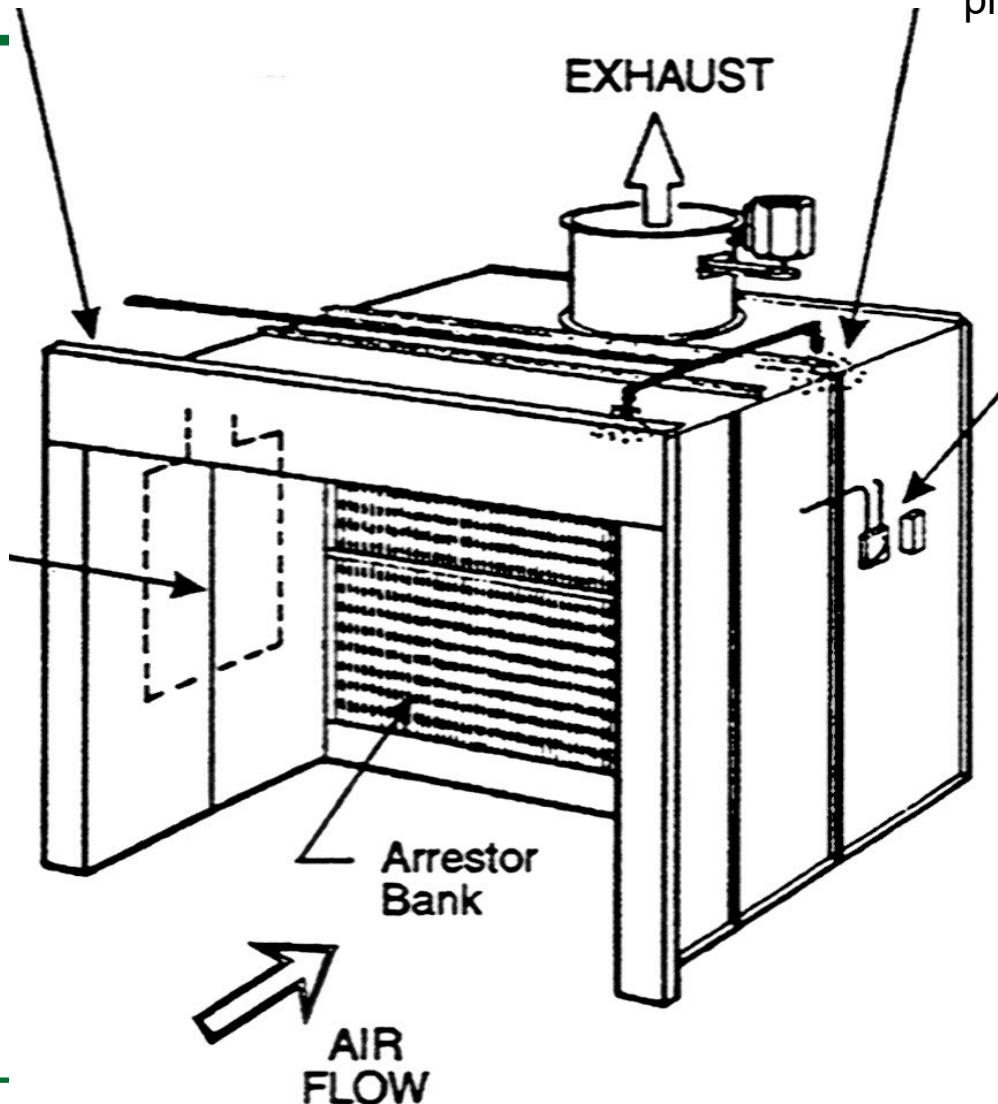
Metal deflector or curtain not less than 2 ½ inches deep

Automatic sprinklers for fire protection

Conveyors enter here. Opening must be as small as possible.

EXHAUST

Alarms & visible gauges



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MARK II

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Common Citations

- **1910.107(b)(5)(i)** Air Velocity at the Face of the Booth
- **1910.107(c)(5)** Combustible Residue
- **1910.107(c)(6)** Approved Wiring
(Explosion Proof)
- **1910.107(e)(2)** Quantity of Flammable Liquids in the Work Area
- **1910.107(e)(4)** Flammable Liquid & Dispensing
(Grounding & Bonding)

Objectives

Thank You For Attending!

Final Questions?

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