

A photograph of two male workers in an industrial setting, likely an airport tarmac. Both are wearing white hard hats and blue work jackets. The worker on the left is wearing safety glasses and large black earplugs. The worker on the right is wearing safety glasses, large clear goggles, and blue earplugs. They are both smiling and looking towards each other. A yellow mobile phone is clipped to the left worker's jacket, and a black communication device is attached to the right worker's belt. In the background, a large white cylindrical structure with four upward-pointing arrows is visible. The entire image is framed by a bright yellow border.

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**Airlines - Regular servicing and testing obligations**

### Airline Servicing and Testing Requirements

The Australian Standard AS/NZS 1715:2009 “Selection use and maintenance of respiratory protective equipment” places specific obligations on the management of companies who utilise compressed air airline systems for breathing air purposes. This includes regular:

1. **Inspection, cleaning, disinfection and testing of air fed masks and hoods** – Performed by trained individuals in accordance with manufacturer specifications
2. **Replacement of airline filter elements** – Elements require replacement when specified by the manufacturer (normally annually or more often in high use or oil contaminated systems)
3. **Testing of airline air quality** – Annual testing ensures air provided to airline users meets minimum breathing air standards relating to odour, oxygen, carbon monoxide, carbon dioxide, oil and water vapour. In some cases, more frequent testing will be required.

Compliance with management obligations under the Standard are in practice enforced by WorkSafe inspectors as part of their regular inspection programs and as part of any post incident investigation.

### Who is Safety Air?

Safety Air is Victoria’s largest independent respiratory and height safety equipment sales, service and hire specialists with a 30-year reputation for providing our customers with market leading service and advice that saves our customers money and keeps them safe.

For many years Safety Air has assisted the management of companies, both large and small, in meeting the airline compliance requirements of the Standard. To assist with your compliance obligations, Safety Air will coordinate a regular servicing program where we will notify you when a service is due, service and test the equipment, advise you of any issues with your equipment and provide (and retain on file on your behalf) test certificates.

Safety Air also performs other services that may be relevant to your business including, testing and certification of SCBA and escape sets, medical oxygen resuscitators, height safety equipment, safety showers and eye washing basins.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us on 03 9589 5435.

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