

## Preparing to Work in H<sub>2</sub>S Environments

Before starting work where you may encounter H<sub>2</sub>S as a part of, or incidental to your work, you should receive training in the requirements for working in H<sub>2</sub>S and how to handle H<sub>2</sub>S emergencies. Additionally you should be **clean shaven** because of the potential for wearing a respirator mask on your face and the need for that mask to seal properly.

No hair can be under the mask lip or the mask cannot be considered to have achieved a positive “seal” to your face.



### Unacceptable



Full Beard



Goatee & Narrow Mustache



Goatee & Wide Mustache



Extended Side Burns



Fu Manchu Mustache



Chin Hair



Wide Mustache



### Acceptable



The SCBA mask seals, at about the areas shown in orange, on the man above. A good mask seal is critical because you may sweat, move around, and talk while wearing it. Those factors alone may put your mask seal at risk.