



BEST PRACTICES

Fume hoods

✔ **Keep the sash as low as possible while working in the hood.**

✔ **Shut the sash completely after use.**

PLEASE NOTE: In some laboratories, fume hoods must remain on and the sash open even when not in use. This ensures adequate air exchange. Check with your unit's health and safety manager first.

✔ **Empty the hoods after use. Do not use as storage space.**

✔ **Store chemicals in a ventilated cabinet.**

✔ **Use a capture arm when manipulations under the hood are not necessary.**

CAUTION: This type of equipment does not provide protection equivalent to a fume hood; rather, it captures low-hazard contaminants directly at the source.

✔ **When purchasing new equipment, prioritize the purchase of high-performance hoods.**

At ULaval, the choice of hoods and their installation must first be approved by the Service des immeubles.

✔ **Where possible, encourage the sharing of fume hoods between research teams.**

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