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Nitrile Gloves

These are the special gloves we use here in the laboratory when we mix the acids for the Precious Metal Testers.

Which Hand?

It doesn't matter, any glove will fit either hand.

Which Size?

If you haven't specified a size, then we have supplied MEDIUM. But they do come in Small, Medium, Large and Very large.

How do you get it onto your hand?

Blow into it. This opens it, and at the same time you will see if it has any holes.

Are they acid-proof?

Yes. But please be aware that *because* they are acid-proof, any spots of acid will stay on the gloves, they will not soak in - and so don't scratch your skin or rub your eyes! Mop up any drops of acid with a tissue before taking the gloves off.

Can they be re-used?

They are designed as 'disposable' gloves, to be used once only. But since you are not working in a sterile environment so you can re-use them *providing* you are quite certain that they are not damaged. Take care not to damage the gloves whilst filing the gold.

Might they cause an allergic reaction?

They do not contain latex (a common cause of allergic reaction), *however* it is possible to be allergic to the chemical 'accelerator' used in the manufacturing process. If your skin becomes itchy and blisters, stop using the gloves immediately. Do not confuse an 'allergic reaction' with a normal 'sensitivity' that occurs if your hands are wet. If you have just washed your hands and haven't dried them properly, the water trapped between the gloves and your hand will cause discomfort. Remove the gloves, dry your hands, put the gloves back on.