Using a HEPA Vacuum

**Required Equipment:**
- One (1) HEPA vacuum equipped with a length of hose
- Additional length of hose (if required)
- Accessories (various nozzle attachments)
- Duct Tape
- Wet cloths

**Optional Equipment:**
- Half-faced respirator fitted with P-100 HEPA filtered cartridges
- Disposable coveralls
- Nitrile gloves

**Work Procedures:**

1. Sign out HEPA vacuum from shop
   - If vacuum bag needs to be changed notify your supervisor
   
   *Vacuum bag replacement must be performed within a Type 2 enclosure*

2. Prior to start of work:
   a) Turn power on
   b) Remove duct tape from vacuum hose port and fasten desired length of hose in place
   c) Remove tape from end of hose and fasten desired attachment head

3. Begin vacuuming desired area

4. If job requires the use of another attachment, remove and replace with the vacuum power on. (To avoid any debris fallout)

5. Once vacuuming is complete (with vacuum power on):
   a) Tape attachment head with duct tape
   b) Once attachment head removed, wet wipe and tape off the opposite end and place in equipment bag
   c) Wet wipe end of hose and tape it off
   d) Remove hose from vacuum unit, tape it off and place in equipment bag
   e) Tape off vacuum hose port
   f) Turn power off

6. Return HEPA vacuum to shop and record use