

ON THE USE AND AVAILABILITY OF AIR PURIFIERS ON CARLETON CAMPUS

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CUASA members have inquired about the use and availability of air purifiers in classrooms and offices.

NOTE: All buildings on campus were assessed by third-party consultants for conformance with ASHRAE Standard 62.1¹ and the ASHRAE Core Recommendations for Reducing Air Borne Infectious Aerosol Exposure². The assessments included reviews of ventilation systems in spaces (including laboratories, classrooms, offices, tunnels, etc.) and confirmed conformance with the recommendations without the need for stand-alone air purifiers.

- As part of a provincial initiative, the university obtained a limited number of air purifiers which until recently were available on eShop³. Since the spring, various units across campus have requested and received purifiers. Certain units have implemented their own system of allocation and use schedules. Other units have purchased air purifiers of their own, on their own budget.
- The available air purifiers are portable and can be wheeled from place to place but require an electrical outlet.
- The available units are appropriate for spaces up to 1500 square feet.
- FMP is unable to maintain or guarantee the performance of these units, however FMP can distribute any remaining units that may still be available (fmp.service.centre@cunet.carleton.ca)

For building concerns please call the FMP Service Centre at 613-520-3668 or dial 3668 from any Carleton landline (24/7)

For emergencies please call Campus Safety Services at 613-520-4444 or dial 4444 from any Carleton landline (24/7)

¹ ANSI/ASHRAE Standard 62.1 is the recognized standard for ventilation system design and acceptable indoor air quality. Standard 62.1 specifies minimum ventilation rates and other measures intended to provide indoor air quality (IAQ) that's acceptable to human occupants and that minimizes adverse health effects.

² The ASHRAE Epidemic Task Force developed core recommendations for reducing air borne infectious aerosol exposure in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

³ The air purifiers were previously available on eShop through Spring and Summer 2022, but are now available directly via FMP