Lab Safety Guidelines

Protective Dress
1. Students should wear footwear that covers the entire foot during lab sessions.
2. Long hair should be tied back and dangling jewelry should be removed.
3. When activities require it, eye protection should be worn.

Conduct
4. Read your manual and be familiar with the activities before coming to class.
5. Be professional and responsible at all times in the laboratory.
6. Follow the instructions of the laboratory instructor.
7. Unless specifically authorized to do so, students should not be working alone in the laboratory.
8. Unauthorized use and or experimentation in the laboratory is forbidden.
9. Use caution and inform the instructor of any unsafe conditions you observe in the laboratory.
10. Under no circumstances should you remove specimens, chemicals, materials or equipment from the laboratory.
11. Do not eat, drink, chew gum or use tobacco products or apply make-up in the laboratory.
12. No one is permitted to bring guests into the laboratory without prior permission of the instructor.
13. No cell phone usage during lab; please turn off the ringer.

General
14. Familiarize yourself with evacuation procedures and emergency plans.
15. In an emergency, proceed to the nearest emergency exit and then to the designated assembly area.
16. Know the location of all safety showers, eyewashes, fire extinguishers, emergency exits.
17. Student bags, backpacks, etc. must be stored out of the pathway of any emergency exits and work area.
18. Broken glass, sharp objects, chemical, biological and general waste must be disposed of in accordance with the lab instructions.

Chemical
19. All chemicals used in the lab are to be handled appropriately according to chemical safety guidelines.
20. Never touch, taste, or smell any chemical.
21. Check the label on chemical bottles twice and then only take what you need.