Quantitative Analysis Laboratory Rules

As professionals, you are expected to hold yourself to a code of professional conduct. This code includes behavior in laboratories. The following rules are commonly enforced in academic, industrial and government laboratories. All students in Quantitative Analysis will follow these rules. If additional safety rules are needed, you will be notified verbally or in writing. Violation of rules 1 - 7 may result in immediate removal from the laboratory for one lab period. Violation of the remaining rules may result in suspension from the lab until the violation is corrected, and may also result in deductions from your lab grade. Continued violation of the laboratory rules is grounds for action to remove you from the laboratory permanently.

1. Approved safety goggles will be worn at all times. Persons with contact lenses are encouraged to wear eyeglasses and goggles to lab, if possible. Approved safety goggles are available at the bookstore or from the student chapter of the American Chemical Society (See a member of the Chemistry Club).

2. No smoking in the laboratory. No dipping snuff or chewing tobacco will be tolerated.

3. No eating or drinking in the laboratory. Any food or beverage brought into the laboratory will be considered contaminated and will be confiscated immediately.

4. No horseplay, roughhousing, messing around or any other form of physical activity not directly involved in chemical analysis will be tolerated.

5. Students must have supervision while in the lab. You are permitted to weigh, dry, clean equipment or perform chores necessary as general preparation during housekeeping hours.

6. No unauthorized experiments will be performed by any student.

7. Proper laboratory procedures, such as pipetting with rubber bulbs, will be followed.

8. Shorts, skirts, and dresses must extend to at least knee level (instructors judgment decides this issue). All students are reminded that spilled chemicals may stain clothes, and students are encouraged to wear old clothes to lab.

9. No exposed midriffs or backs will be permitted.

10. Long hair must be tied back so that it does not hang over open flames or in your face.

11. No open toed shoes or sandals are to be worn in the laboratory.

12. All accidents involving personal injury, no matter how minor, must be reported to the instructor, IMMEDIATELY.