



EPA



ESD PROTECTED AREA

- **DO** check your ESD rated footwear before entering the (EPA).
- **DO** test your wrist strap daily, (if not using constant monitors).
- **DO** make sure that your wrist strap is in contact with bare skin.
- **DO** Plug in your wrist strap before handling any ESD Sensitive Parts or Assemblies. (Absolutely required when sitting at an ESD workstation).
- **DON'T** touch device leads. (Try to handle devices by their package even though grounded).
- **DO** fully close your ESD clothing. (when used, snap up your ESD Smock!)
- **DON'T** bring any non-essential insulators into the EPA. (No newspapers, magazines, polystyrene cups, plastic lunch bags, hair combs, brushes, etc.)
- **DON'T** allow your work area to become cluttered. (Minimize paper, cardboard, and sticky notes around your work area. No polystyrene foam or other high charging packaging materials.)
- **DON'T** eat or use hand creams at an ESD workstation. These could contaminate, and increase the resistance of the workstation surfaces or mats.
- **DON'T** move ESD sensitive parts out of the EPA unless they are properly packaged in ESD Static Shielding Bags or approved ESD containers.
- **DO** seal ESD Static Shielding bags properly before they are moved out of the EPA.
- **DON'T** daisy chain ground wires connecting mats and other workstation equipment and components together. Individual Bonding wires should be connected to a workstation common point ground.
- **DON'T** clean with solvents or commercial cleaners that may damage ESD mats or worksurfaces. Use only manufacturer recommended cleaners, cleaners designed for ESD surfaces, or a mild solution of detergent and water.