Bar-Ilan University



Safety Dept, Laser Safety

Laser lab – safety instructions

1. Direct or reflected laser beam can cause damage to the eye and the skin

2. Before operating the laser verify that:

- a. Lab door is locked or secured to prevent the entry of un-authorized personnel,
- b. Curtains and shields are properly in place.
- c. Warning light outside the lab is on
- d. Beam stoppers are in place
- e. The laser and optical components are fastened in place to limit their movements.
- f. All personnel in the lab are wearing proper laser safety goggles

3. Alignment of the laser system:

- a. Alignment must be performed, using reduced laser power or special alignment lasers.
- b. Wear suitable laser safety goggles as needed.
- c. As much as possible align the laser with a camera and a computer.
- d. When alignment is completed, contain the beam path the best you can to prevent exposure to the laser beam.

4. In case of an incident, do the following:

- a. In case of a skin burn from the laser, teat it with burn ointment,
- b. In case of eye injury or a suspected injury from the laser, call for medical attention, at the nearest medical center.
- c. Report all laser accidents and incidents to the safety department and laser safety officer. In case of emergency, **dial 7777**.
- 5. Contact the laser safety officer, Dr Naomi Sinai, **054-7861577** for information and assistance with laser- safety issues.