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HAZARD COMMUNICATIONS

Your “Right to Know”
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OVERVIEW

- Right to Know
- Chemical Inventory List (CIL)
- Safety Data Sheets (SDS’s)
- Labeling and Marking Systems
- Employee Training
- Hazcom Written Plan
- OSU Placarding & Labeling Requirements
HAZCOM 5 Key Elements

- Employers must have an updated chemical inventory.
- SDS available.
- Containers must be labeled in a consistent format.
- Workers must be trained.
- Written HAZCOM Program.
QUIZ 1

The HAZCOM Standard requires all employers to provide workers with information about the hazardous chemicals to which they are exposed?

- True
- False
QUIZ 1

True
Employers are required to provide workers with a safety data sheet (SDS) within the day it is requested?

- True
- False
Quiz 1

True
RIGHT TO KNOW

- The Federal Government established the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard. This standard is designed to protect employees who use hazardous materials on the job.

- The Hazard Communication Standard states that companies which produce and use hazardous materials must provide their employees with information and training on the proper handling and use of these materials.

- You, as an employee, have a Right to Know about the hazardous materials used in your work area and the potential effects of these materials upon your health and safety.
PUBLIC EMPLOYEE JOB SAFETY & HEALTH PROTECTION

The Oklahoma Occupational Health & Safety Standards Act of 1970 provides job safety and health protection for public workers. Rules have been adopted which include both employer and employee responsibilities. These include state, county, city and public school agencies and certain public trusts.

Employers

No employer shall fail to comply with any provision of the Act or any standards promulgated pursuant to the Act. Violations are punishable by a fine of up to $25,000 per violation.

Voluntary Compliance

Safety and health information and training are the best ways to help prevent and control occupational illnesses. The Department of Labor encourages you to comply with the provisions of the Act. If you have any questions, visit our website or contact your local office.

It's the Law!

1-888-269-5353
www.labor.ok.gov

Mark Costello
Commissioner of Labor
Chemical Inventory Lists (CILs) will also be required from your department.
CHEMICAL INVENTORY LISTS

- Inventories must be available in each laboratory or storage location
  - PIs are **required** to update their Chemical Inventory List (CIL) found on OSU’s Chemical Safety Assistant.

  - [http://ehs.okstate.edu/hazcom/OnSite.htm](http://ehs.okstate.edu/hazcom/OnSite.htm)
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Safety Data Sheets

29CFR1910.1200(g)(2)
Each material safety data sheet shall be in English.
(although the employer may maintain copies in other languages as well):
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SAFETY DATA SHEET

- **Identification**
  (identifies the chemical, recommended uses, contact information of the supplier).

- **Hazard Identification**
  (hazards of the chemical presented, appropriate warning information of hazards).

- **Composition/Ingredients**
  (identifies the ingredient(s) contained in the product including, impurities and stabilizing additives. Information on substances, mixtures, and all chemicals where a trade secret is claimed).

- **First-aid Measures**
  (initial care that should be given to an individual who has been exposed to the chemical).
Fire-fighting Measures  
(Fighting a fire caused by the chemical).

Accidental Release Measures  
(appropriate response to spills, leaks, or releases, containment and cleanup practices to prevent or minimize exposure to people, properties, or the environment, distinguishing between responses for large and small spills).

Handling and Storage  
(guidance on the safe handling practices and conditions for safe storage of chemicals).

Exposure Controls/Personal Protection  
(exposure limits, engineering controls, and personal protective measures that can be used to minimize worker exposure).
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SAFETY DATA SHEET (CONT.)

- **Physical and Chemical Properties**
  (identifies physical and chemical properties associated with the substance or mixture).

- **Stability and Reactivity**
  (reactivity hazards of the chemical and the chemical stability information. three parts: reactivity, chemical stability, and other).

- **Toxicological Information**
  (identifies toxicological and health effects information or indicates that such data are not available).

- **Ecological Information**
  (environmental impact of the chemical(s) if it were released to the environment).
Disposal Considerations  
(guidance on proper disposal practices, recycling or reclamation of the chemical(s) or its container, and safe handling practices).  
(State/Federal)

Transport Information  
(guidance on classification information for shipping and transporting of hazardous chemical(s) by road, air, rail, or sea).

Regulatory Information  
(identifies the safety, health, and environmental regulations specific for the product that is not indicated anywhere else on the SDS).

Other Information  
(indicates when the SDS was prepared or when the last known revision was made).
SAFETY DATA SHEETS
YOUR RIGHTS

- Your employer must have an SDS for every hazardous substance you use as part of your job.

- If you request to see a copy of an SDS for a product you use, and your employer cannot provide it; you may refuse to use that product or work in an area where it is being used.
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LABELING AND MARKING SYSTEMS

- NFPA Diamonds
- GHS Labels
4= Deadly Hazard

3= Severe Hazard

2= Moderate Hazard

1= Slight Hazard

0= No Hazard
WHAT’S ON THE GHS LABEL?

Labels must have five things:

1. **Product Identifier** (what is this chemical)

2. **Signal words:**
   
   “**DANGER**”
   identifies chemicals and products that present, relatively speaking, a greater or more immediate hazard to the worker

   “**WARNING**”
   identifies chemicals and products that present a lesser (although still potentially harmful) degree of hazard
One of the two signal words is required on labels to emphasize hazard. Which communicates great hazard?

- Danger
- Warning
Quiz 2

Danger
3. Hazard Statement  
   (what kind of harm could the chemical cause)

4. Pictograms  
   (a symbol that tells us about the hazards)

5. Precautionary Statement  
   (what do we need to do to be safe around this chemical)
GHS LABELING

The Basic Parts of A GHS-Compliant Label

1. **Product Identifier** - Should match the product identifier on the Safety Data Sheet.
2. **Signal Word** - Either use “Danger” (severe) or “Warning” (less severe).
3. **Hazard Statements** - A phrase assigned to a hazard class that describes the nature of the product’s hazards.
4. **Precautionary Statements** - Describes recommended measures to minimize or prevent adverse effects resulting from exposure.
5. **Supplier Identification** - The name, address and telephone number of the manufacturer or supplier.
6. **Pictograms** - Graphical symbols intended to convey specific hazard information visually.

Sample label courtesy of Weber Packaging Solutions • www.weberpackaging.com
GHS PICTOGRAMS

- Symbol for the hazards of the product.
- Product can have one or more pictograms.
Health Hazard

- Could cause cancer
- Can impact breathing and may cause asthma
- May cause reproductive problems and birth defects
- May be toxic to organs and damage lungs
- Mutagenicity
Flammables

- Solids, liquids and gases
- May react with other substances to cause a fire
- Could burn on its own simply by coming in contact with air
IRRITANT

- Indicates Irritants or Skin Sensitizers
- Can cause problems with skin, eyes and respiratory system
- Generally short-term (acute) irritations or rashes upon contact
- May make you light-headed or sleepy
GASES UNDER PRESSURE

- Maybe flammable, oxidizing or reactive compressed gasses
- Accidental release causes cylinder to rocket or pinwheel
- Liquid contents may cause skin to freeze
CORROSIVES

- Can cause skin burns
- Will damage eyes
- Can damage metals or other materials
EXPLOSIVES

- Explosive materials
- Self-reactive or self-heating
- Pyrophoric – burns if it contacts air
- Organic peroxide – burns or explodes
Oxidizers

- Flame over the letter “O”
- Oxidizers can cause organic materials to combust
- Oxygen is most common
ENVIRONMENTAL TOXICITY

- Harms plants or animals
- Impacts air or water quality
- Could contaminate soil
ACUTE TOXICITY

- Severe hazard
- Can be fatal
- Extremely toxic
QUIZ 3

Which symbol would be used for flammables?

A  
B  
C
QUIZ 3

B
QUIZ 3

Which symbol would be used for a carcinogen?

A  
B  
C
QUIZ 3

Which symbol would be used for a corrosives?

A

B

C
QUIZ 3

C
HAZCOM AT OSU

- For more details on OSU specifics reference OSU Policy and Procedures
  - Hazard Communication Program 3-0535
  - Dated November 2015

https://stw.sp.okstate.edu/Policies/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx
The training must cover:

- Requirements of regulations
- Location and availability of SDS’s
  - Hard copies are preferred over electronic
- Hazardous chemicals used in the workplace
- Physical and Health hazards
- Measures for personal protection
- Details and location of the written plan
HAZCOM: TRAINING RESPONSIBILITIES

- EHS HAZCOM Training Responsibilities
  - OSU HAZCOM program details to include labeling, SDS, and how to get laboratory safety information
  - Recommend members receive this training every three years.
  - This training does not replace the Site/Laboratory Specific training
Supervisor/PI HAZCOM Training Responsibilities (Site/Laboratory Specific)

- Methods and observations used to detect release of hazardous chemicals in the work area
- Hazards of chemicals in work area
- Measure of protection from hazards – engineering controls, PPE, emergency procedures, etc
- Animal laboratories may have other exposures that need to be covered
HAZCOM EMPLOYEE TRAINING FREQUENCY

- Site Specific Training is required:
  - Within 30 days of initial assignment
  - Whenever new hazards are introduced
  - Annually
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THE WRITTEN PLAN

You have a right to possess your own free copy of the written hazard communications plan.

OSHA HAZARD COMMUNICATION STANDARD

29 CFR 1910.1200
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THE WRITTEN PLAN

If you are exposed to a hazardous substance at work, you should report it to your supervisor who will complete an

“Employee Exposure Report Form”
Oklahoma State University
Hazardous Substance Employee Exposure Report

Last Name: ____________________  First Name: __________  Middle Initial : __________
Department: ____________________  Title: __________  CWID: ____________________
Date/Time of Exposure: __________  Duration of Exposure: __________
Location of Exposure (Bldg. & Room #): ____________________
Chemical Name(s): ____________________  Chemical Abstract # (CAS): __________
Trade and/or Common Name(s) of Chemical(s): ____________________
Type of Exposure (e.g. inhalation, ingestion, contact) (If contact, what body part was involved?)

How did exposure occur? (Use additional sheet if necessary):

Was personal protection equipment (PPE) available? Yes ☐ No ☐
Was personal protection equipment (PPE) used? Yes ☐ No ☐
If PPE was used, what type(s)?

What training/instructions was provided prior to exposure?
Were any symptoms present at time of exposure? Yes ☐ No ☐
If so, describe:

Severity of Exposure: First Aid ☐  Medical Treatment ☐  Unknown ☐

Describe:

(Assist Physician’s Report, Employee Injury Report, Sharps Injury Log if applicable)

Lost time from work? Yes ☐ No ☐ Estimate of lost time: __________
Were other employees exposed? Yes ☐ No ☐
If so, list names & CWID (use additional sheet if needed):
List suggestions to prevent reoccurrence:

________________________________________  __________________________
(exposed employee’s signature)  (today’s date)
________________________________________  __________________________
(supervisor’s signature)  (print/type name of supervisor)

Complete form and return to EHS, FILE REPORT WITHIN 24 HOURS OF NOTIFICATION
Report can be faxed (744-7148) or emailed ohsp@okstate.edu

The statements and facts in this form shall not constitute nor be construed to constitute any admission or
evidence of liability.

Reviewed by EHS December 2014
HAZCOM: PLACARDING
LABORATORY ENTRANCE

- Post required PPE

- Post Global Harmonized System (GHS) pictograms
  - Must reflect the current hazards in the laboratory
  - [https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm_QuickCard_Pictogram.html](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm_QuickCard_Pictogram.html)

- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 704 diamond sign

- Post the Emergency Information Form

- Must be prominently displayed and unobstructed
**HAZCOM: CHEMICAL STORAGE SIGNAGE**

- Clearly identify storage locations with signage prominently displayed and unobstructed.

- Label storage areas by compatible chemical class such as flammables/organic solvents, oxidizers, acids, etc.
HAZCOM: MINIMAL CHEMICAL LABELING

- Do not deface or remove manufactures labels on chemicals

- All labels in English

- Pure or purchased chemicals transferred to smaller bottles
  - Chemical name
  - Common name
  - NFPA or HMIS sticker

- For new synthesized chemicals or chemicals without MSDS/SDS
  - Chemical name
  - NFPA or HMIS sticker
    - Estimate hazard values based on similar chemicals
HAZCOM: MINIMAL CHEMICAL LABELING

- Dilutions or mixtures
  - Chemical name
  - Common name
  - % or Molarity of solution
  - If dilutions are concentrated or mixtures hazardous, please include a NFPA diamond.

- OSU labeled Peroxide Formers
  - Chemical name
  - Common name
  - NFPA or HIMS sticker
  - Date opened
  - Expiration date (or extended expiration date)
  - Test date (if any)
    - Note, dates may have to be added to the manufactures labeling for stock bottles.
# Standardized Purchasing Guide for OSU HAZCOM Placards and Labels

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<td>Laboratory Entrance Placard</td>
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<td>Laboratory Entrance Placard</td>
<td>≥ 2” placard or Font ≥ 1/2”</td>
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<td>Safety equipment in or near laboratory</td>
<td><strong>Size ≥ 6” for both height and width</strong></td>
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QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS

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