

Hazard Communication Standard 29CFR 1910.1200 Laboratory Standard 29CFR 1910.1450 New Jersey Right To Know

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Purpose

Hazard Communication Standard 29CFR 1910.1200 Laboratory Standard 29CFR 1910.1450 Chemical Hygiene Plan Right To Know Labeling and Safety Data Sheets

To provide you with the information to help you make knowledgeable decisions about chemical hazards in your workplace.



Hazard Communication vs Chemical Hygiene Plan vs RTK

Hazard Communication

Applies that all employees engaged in the handling of chemicals are provided with information about those chemicals.

Scope - communicate workplace chemical hazards and appropriate protective measures to employees

- Written Hazcom plan
- Training of all employees on chemical hazards
- Information on chemical labels
- Safety Data Sheets (SDSs)
- Labeling

Right To Know

Applies to public employers

- SDS and Hazardous Substance Fact Sheets
- Labeling
- Posting

Chemical Hygiene Plan

Applies to all employees engaged in the laboratory use of toxic substance

Scope – communicate workplace chemical hazards and appropriate protective measures to employees

- Written chemical hygiene plan (CHP)
- Training of all employees on chemical hazards
- Hazard identification labels and SDSs
- Labeling
- Responsible personnel Chemical Hygiene Officer – The PI
- Medical consultation and examinations

Overview of the Hazard Communication and Laboratory Standard

- Developed in 1983.
- Gave employees a "right to know" about chemical hazards
- Required chemical manufacturers to develop container labels and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs)
- Requires employers to:
 - Inventory all hazardous chemicals in the workplace
 - Secure SDSs (formerly MSDSs) for each hazardous chemical
 - Develop a written hazard communication and Chemical Hygiene plan
 - Provide hazard recognition training for each affected employee
 - Label portable containers appropriately
- Changed in 2012 to align with the Globally Harmonized System (GHS)

Why Did OSHA Align the HCS with GHS?

 Around the world, hazard classification and hazard communication laws are similar in purpose but different in approach.

Over 1 million hazardous chemicals are used in the United

States

Rationale behind GHS:

To provide a single, harmonized system to classify chemicals, labels and SDS with the primary benefit of increasing the quality and consistency of information provided to workers, employers and chemical users, worldwide.



Why is any Standard Necessary?

- To evaluate the hazards of all chemicals imported into, produced, or used in workplaces in the United States
- To prevent or minimize employee exposure to chemicals
- Because chemical over exposure can contribute to serious health effects:
 - o Heart ailments
 - o Burns/rashes
 - o Kidney/lung damage
 - o Sterility
 - o Cancer
 - o Central nervous system damage

OSHA HazCom Modifications due to GHS (how the MSDS changed to become the SDS)

- Revised labeling provisions that include requirements for:
 - Standardized signal words (Danger or Warning)
 - Pictograms
 - Hazard statements
 - Precautionary statements
- Specified format for safety data sheets in 16 section format
- Revisions to definitions of terms used in the standard and requirements for employee training on labels and Safety Data Shorts (SDS)

Sheets (SDS)

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Hazard Communication and Chemical Safety

Chemicals are all around us every day

Chemicals can be:

- o Corrosive
- o Reactive
- o Flammable
- o Explosive
- o Oxidizing
- o Irritant



Chemical Safety

In many cases, the chemicals you may deal with at work or in the lab are no more dangerous than those you use at home.

But in the workplace:

exposure may be greater, concentrations higher, exposure time longer: potential danger could be greater.



How do Chemicals Affect the Body?

Methods/observations used to detect presence or release of a hazardous chemical:

- Visual appearance or odor of hazardous chemicals
- Observation of a spill

The signs and symptoms associated with exposures to hazardous chemicals used in the laboratory:

- Headache
- Fever, sweating
- Dizziness and poor balance
- Respiratory distress

How do Chemicals Enter the Body?

- The affect a certain chemical has on the body depends on several factors:
 - The physical form of the chemical
 - How the chemical enters the body
 - The amount of chemical that actually enters the body the dose
 - How toxic (poisonous) the chemical is

Routes of Entry

- Ingestion swallowing the chemical
- Inhalation breathing in the chemical
- Absorption the chemical soaks through the skin

Hazards

There are 2 basic types of chemical hazards:

- Physical Hazards
- Health Hazards



The first rule of Chemical safety is...

"Know what you are working with and how to protect yourself and others"

Physical Hazards

Physical hazards are exhibited by certain chemicals because of their physical properties (e.g. flammability, reactivity, etc.)

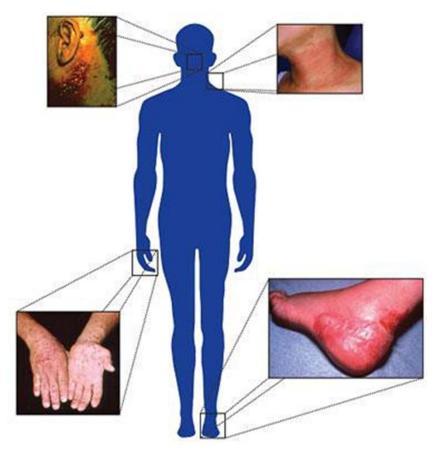
These chemicals fall into the following classes:

- o Flammable liquids or solids
- o Combustible liquids
- o Compressed gases
- o Explosives

Health Hazard

Health hazard - Occurs when a chemical produces an acute or chronic health effect on

exposed employees



Acute Health Effects

Happens quickly

• High, brief exposure



- Examples:
 - o Acid burns to skin
 - o Ammonia inhalation
 - o Solvent inhalation

Chronic Health Effects

- May be caused by chemical exposures that do not cause immediate, obvious harm or make you feel sick right away
- May not see, feel, or smell the danger
- Effects are long, continuous and follow repeated long-term exposure; e.g.:
 - o Lung cancer from cigarette smoking
 - o Pneumoconiosis from asbestos, silica

Keeping it Safe

- Corrosives, solvents and other chemical substances can be potentially dangerous
- Safe handling procedures
 - o Read container labels
 - o Check SDS(s)
- Never sniff a chemical for identification
- Use appropriate personal protective equipment that is rated for that chemical
- When in doubt contact EHS

Labels and Warnings

- GHS Pictograms replace the warning diamond labels found on hazardous chemical containers
- The old OSHA standard left labeling up to the chemical manufacturers. The new rules are much more specific
- It is still the chemical manufacturer's or distributor's responsibility to appropriately label the chemical
- The HMIS and NFPA four color diamond does not go away.
 This information is still needed by emergency responders
- DOT requirements remain unchanged. Outside packaging must be DOT compliant. DOT markings are not required on containers inside a package

Accident Prevention Signs

- Danger Signs
 - Red, white and black



- Caution Signs
 - Black with yellow letters
- Safety Instruction Signs
 - Green with white letters





Elements of the New GHS Label Format

- Each label must contain six specified elements
- The elements need not be in any order
- Pictograms provide clear message
- Standardized signal words and precautionary statements bring clarity to the hazard and potential severity of the chemical

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Six Elements of the New GHS Label Format

The Basic Parts of A GHS-Compliant Label



- 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.
- Supplier Identification The name, address and telephone number of the manufacturer or supplier.
- Pictograms Graphical symbols intended to convey specific hazard information visually.

GHS HAZARD PICTOGRAMS



9 New GHS Pictograms Align with the 26 Hazard Classifications

Symbol on white background with red square frame

Eight pictograms are required by OSHA

The ninth one dealing with the environment is not within OSHA's jurisdiction

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Health Hazard

Used to describe:

- Carcinogens
- Mutagens
- Reproductive toxicity
- Respiratory sensitizer
- Target organ toxicity
- Aspiration toxicity

Examples: Carbon Monoxide
Hexanes
Benzene





Flame

Describes:

- Flammables (gas, liquid, solid, aerosol)
- Pyrophorics
- Self-heating
- Emits flammable gas
- Self-reactives
- Organic peroxides

Examples: Butane

Xylene



Exclamation Mark

Describes:

- Irritant (skin and eye)
- Skin sensitizer
- Acute toxicity (harmful)
- Narcotic effects
- Respiratory tract irritant
- Hazardous to ozone layer (non-mandatory)

Examples: Isopropyl alcohol Ethyl alcohol Acetone





Gas Cylinder

Describes:

- Gases under pressure
- Liquified gases
- Refridgerated liquified gases
- Dissolved gases



Nitrogen

Propane

Argon





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Corrosive

Describes:

- Skin corrosion/burns
- Eye damage
- Corrosive to metals

Examples: Sodium hydroxide, Sulfuric acid Bleach





Exploding Bomb

Describes:

- Unstable explosives
- Self-reactives
- Organic peroxide

Examples: Nitroglycerine
Gunpowder
Rocket propellants
Pyrotechnic mixtures
Ammonium nitrate





Flame over Circle

Describes:

Oxidizers



Examples: Sodium nitrate

Oxygen

Hydrogen peroxide

Nitrous oxide



Skull and Crossbones

Describes:

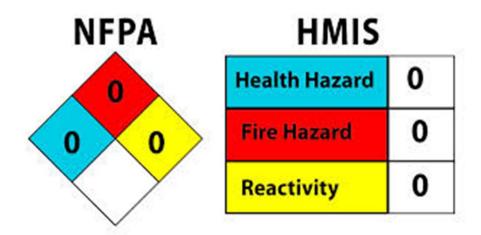
- Acute toxicity (fatal or toxic)
- Toxic or fatal if inhaled, swallowed or contacted with skin

Examples: Carbon monoxide
Ammonia
Acrylonitrile
Arsenic
Hydrogen sulfide



Classification Differences Between NFPA Hazard Rating and GHS Hazard Categories

- The numerical hazard category is generally not listed on the new GHS label format but the hazard category rating should be on the SDS
- HMIS/NFPA uses a 0 to 4 hazard rating, 4 being the most severe
- GHS uses a 1 to 5 hazard category ranking with 1 being the most severe.
- GHS and NFPA/HMIS ranking is reversed!

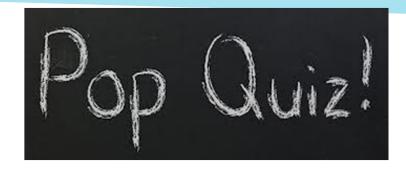


HMIS/NFPA

- 0 = Minimal Hazard
- 1 = Slight Hazard
- 2 = Moderate Hazard
- 3 = Serious Hazard
- 4 = Severe Hazard

GHS

- 5 = Minimal Hazard
- 4 = Slight Hazard
- 3 = Moderate Hazard
- 2 = Serious Hazard
- 1 = Severe Hazard



- What are the two Signal Words?
- How many pictograms are there?
- How can the information on the label be used to ensure proper storage?
- How can the information on the label be used to quickly find first aid information?
- What does this pictogram represent?



Labeling

- OSHA is maintaining the approach used in the current HCS that allows employers to use workplace-specific labeling systems as long as they provide the required information.
- At a minimum the label must contain:
 - Product identifier, and

Words, pictures, symbols or a combination that provide at least general

information regarding the hazards

- NFPA/HMIS Systems
 - (ratings systems v. hazard category)
- Labels must be written in English and prominently displayed



Label Examples

On containers





On shipping boxes

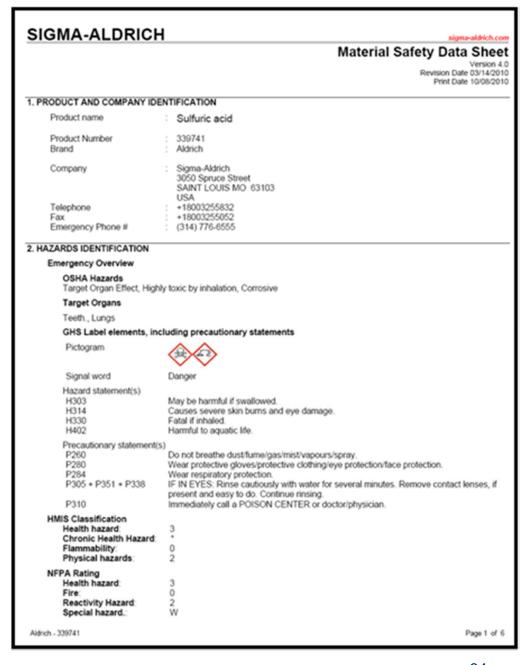




SDS

Safety Data Sheets:

- Developed by chemical manufacturers and Importers
- An SDS must be on hand for each hazardous chemical used
- SDS is for mixtures not individual chemicals in the mixtures



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Safety Data Sheets

- Identification of the substance or mixture and of the supplier
- 2. Hazard identification
- Composition/information on ingredients
- 4. First aid measures
- 5. Firefighting measures
- 6. Accidental release measures
- 7. Handling and storage
- 8. Exposure controls/ personal protection
- 9. Physical and chemical properties

- 10. Stability and reactivity
- 11. Toxicological information
- 12. Ecological information
- 13. Disposal considerations
- 14. Transport information
- 15. Regulatory information
- 16. Other information including information on preparation and revision of the SDS

Safety Data Sheets

- Section 1 Identification
 - Identifies the chemical on the SDS as well as the recommended uses. It also provides the essential contact information of the supplier.
- Section 2 Hazard(s) Identification
 - Identifies the hazards of the chemical and the appropriate warning information associated with those hazards. This includes:
 - The hazard classification of the chemical (e.g., flammable liquid, category1).
 - Signal word.
 - Hazard statement(s).
 - Pictograms Precautionary statement(s).

- Section 3 Composition/Information on Ingredients
 - Identifies the ingredient(s) contained in the product. This includes information on substances, mixtures, and all chemicals where a trade secret is claimed.
- Section 4 First Aid Measures
 - Describes the initial care that should be given by untrained responders including recommendations for immediate medical care and special treatment needed.
- Section 5 Fire-Fighting Measures
 - Provides recommendations for fighting a fire caused by the chemical.



- Section 6 Accidental Release Measures
 - Provides recommendations on the appropriate response to spills, leaks, or releases, including containment and cleanup practices
- Section 7 Handling and Storage
 - Provides guidance on the safe handling practices and conditions for safe storage of chemicals
- Section 8 Exposure Controls/Personal Protection
 - Indicates the exposure limits, engineering controls, and personal protective measures that can be used to minimize worker exposure. This includes recommendations for personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Section 9 Physical and Chemical Properties
 - Identifies physical and chemical properties associated with the substance or mixture

- Section 10 Stability and Reactivity
 - Describes the reactivity hazards of the chemical and the chemical stability information
- Section 11 Toxicological Information
 - Identifies toxicological and health effects information. Provides information on the likely routes of exposure (inhalation, ingestion, skin and eye contact) and a description of the symptoms.
- Section 12 Ecological Information (non-mandatory)
 - Provides information to evaluate the environmental impact of the chemical(s) if it were released to the environment.
- Section 13 Disposal Considerations (non-mandatory)
 - Provides guidance on proper disposal practices, recycling or reclamation of the chemical(s) or its container, and safe handling practices.

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CHEMICAL PURCHASES

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- Department enters and approves a purchase requisition.
- Reviews are done by the NJIT Accounting Office, Office of Grants & Contracts and EHS
- The responsible individuals submit their approval.
- After all approvals are obtained, the requisition is reviewed by Purchasing and converted to a purchase order.
- The purchase order is sent to the vendor.
- The vendor ships the material to the Shipping and Receiving Department.
- When the material arrives at the Loading Dock, Shipping and Receiving personnel will deliver it to the client department.

EHS Review and Approval of Chemical Purchases

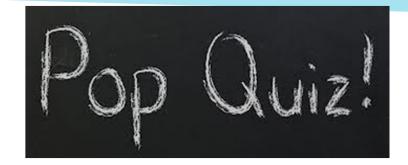
Material Hazards

Personal Safety Equipment- all staff MUST use the following PPE

Training- all staff MUST have received the following specialize safety training

Laboratory Safety Equipment requirements- prior to storage or use of this material, the following safety equipment MUST be in place and working properly

Disposal Requirements- the following procedures MUST be followed for the proper disposal of this material.



- How many sections are there in a Safety Data Sheet?
- Is the name of chemical manufacturer or distributor on the SDS?
- In which SDS Section would you find this pictogram?



What are some signs of chemical exposure?

Summary

- All facilities should have a written plan in a location that is accessible
- All hazardous products should be labeled and everyone working in the area should be aware of what and where they are
- SDSs should be available and accessible for all hazardous products
- Understand what the new pictograms represent
- Understand the format of the new labels and what each required section means
- Understand the new SDS

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