

Workplace Labels



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Workplace labels must be used on all containers of hazardous materials (controlled products) at the University of Windsor.

What you need to know

Workplace labeling of the controlled products is a basic requirement of Work Place Hazardous Material Information System (WHMIS). Labeling requirements differ depending on whether the containers are supplier or workplace containers.

Controlled products from individual supplier must contain a WHMIS supplier label consisting of a hatched border and seven categories of information including:

1. Product identifier
2. Supplier identifier
3. Hazard symbols
4. Risk phrases
5. Precautionary measures
6. First aid measures
7. MSDS references

The information on the supplier label is a reminder about the nature and degree of hazards of the product and encourages safe practices. This supports the workers' right to know about hazards to their health. Labels also refer workers to the MSDS for complete hazard and safety information on the product.

Workplace labels are required on all portable containers which contain hazardous materials in the workplace.

Specifically, the workplace labels are used on:

- storage containers of controlled products produced on site;
- a control product transferred from its original container into secondary container (e.g. a solvent wash bottle, for other than immediate use);
- can also be used on bulk containers if a supplier label is not available;
- can replace a supplier label if this one becomes unreadable, damaged, or detached.

Workplace labels do not need as much information as the supplier label.

The University of Windsor Workplace Labels provides individuals to communicate the following information:

- Product identifier/chemical name
- Concentration of chemical
- Identification of the major hazardous properties based on the WHMIS classification of the product
- Safety precaution and safe handling procedures
- Date
- Emergency telephone number

The label also advises workers that an MSDS is available from the Chemical Control Centre through the Hazardous Material Information System at www.uwindsor.ca/ccc.

The labels come in two sizes to accommodate different containers sizes. Both labels are shown below.

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CHEMICAL NAME(S): <input type="text"/>	
CONCENTRATION(S): <input type="text"/>	DATE: <input type="text"/>
Hazard(s): <input type="checkbox"/> Corrosive <input type="checkbox"/> Oxidizer <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic <input type="checkbox"/> Flammable <input type="checkbox"/> Explosive <input type="checkbox"/> Irritant <input type="checkbox"/> Water reactive <input type="checkbox"/> Carcinogen <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
Safety Precautions: <input type="checkbox"/> Wear suitable gloves; Type: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Wear appropriate protective clothing and eye protection <input type="checkbox"/> Keep away from sources of ignition <input type="checkbox"/> In case of insufficient ventilation, wear suitable respiratory equipment <input type="checkbox"/> _____	
<i>Refer to MSDS for additional information available through Hazardous Material Information System (HMIS) www.uwindsor.ca/ccc Campus emergency- call ext.444 (Campus Police)</i>	

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CHEMICAL NAME(S): <input type="text"/>	
SAFETY PRECAUTIONS: <input type="checkbox"/> _____ <i>Refer to MSDS for additional information available through Hazardous Material Information System (HMIS) www.uwindsor.ca/ccc Campus emergency- call ext.444 (Campus Police)</i>	

Where to get labels

The UWin Workplace Labels are available free-of-charge from the Chemical Control Centre. For more information or to request labels please contact the CCC at ext. 3523 or email: ccc@uwindsor.ca.

Other Resources

For additional information and resources on labeling visit:
www.whmis.gc.ca
www.ccohs.ca