CHEMICAL HAZARD PICTOGRAMS

THE PICTOGRAMS FOR LABELLING CHEMICAL PRODUCTS HAVE CHANGED. PREVENT WORKPLACE INJURY AND DISEASES BY LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE PICTOGRAMS.



OXIDIZING

If you find this pictogram on the label it means you are dealing with oxidising gases, solids and liquids, which can cause or intensify fire and explosion.



CORROSIVE

Whenever you use a chemical with this pictogram on it, be aware that it is corrosive and can cause severe skin burns and eyedamage. It is also corrosive to metals



IRRITANT

Means one or more of the following:

- Acutely toxic (harmful)
- Causes skin sensitisation, skin and eye irritation
- Respiratory irritant
- Narcotic, causes drowsiness or dizziness
- · Hazardous to the ozone layer



ENVIRONMENTALLY DAMAGING

This pictogram warns that a substance is hazardous to the environment and causes aquatic toxicity.



FLAMMABLE

This one warns against flammable gases, aerosols, liquids and solids:

- Self-heating substances and mixtures • Pyrophoric liquids and solids, that may catch fire when in contact with air
- Substances and mixtures which, in contact with water, emit flammable gases
- Self-reactive substances or organic peroxides that may cause fire when heated



HEALTH HAZARD

One or more of the following effects:

- Is carcinogenic
- · Affects fertility and the unborn child
- Is a respiratory sensitiser May cause allergy, asthma or breathing
- difficulties when inhaled Is toxic to specific organs
- Aspiration hazards, may be fatal or harmful if swallowed or if it enters airways







EXPLOSIVE

This pictogram refers to explosives, self-reactive substances and or- ganic peroxides that may cause explosion when heated.

Know that you are handling a chemical that is acutely toxic in contact with skin, if inhaled or ingested, which may even be fatal.

COMPRESSED GAS

Chemicals with this pictogram mean: Gas under pressure, may explode when heated. Refrigerated gas, may cause cryogenic burns or injuries. Dissolved gases.

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