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## **TOOLBOX TALK - HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES**

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**An IHS Guide**

# **PART 3.0 - Toolbox Talk Hazardous Substances**

# Employer's Responsibility

Every employer has a duty to ensure that their employees and others are not exposed to risks to their health because they must use hazardous substances.



# COSHH Assessment

All substances which are hazardous to health must be subject to a detailed risk assessment. This is known as a COSHH Assessment.

# Be Aware

When you use substances at work you must be aware of whether it is hazardous or not.



# Always Read The Label

Always read the label on the container and make sure you understand the information. If there is no label, do not use the contents.

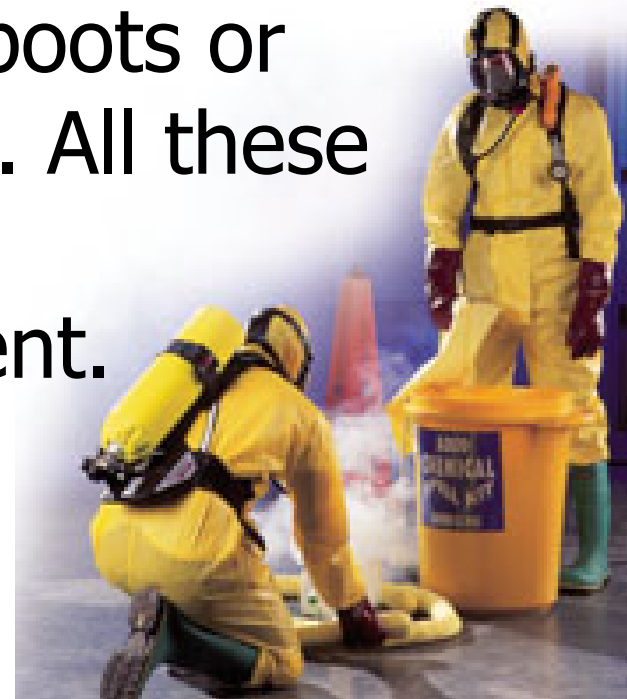


# Check The Contents

Do not assume that because two containers look the same, they contain the same material.

# Personal Protective Equipment

Always check that you are wearing the correct protection before handling chemicals. Gloves, eye protection, protective clothing, rubber boots or respirators may be required. All these must be kept in good order. Check the COSHH assessment.





# Using Chemicals

Use the smallest quantity of chemicals that are necessary for the particular job.

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Don't mix or decant chemicals.



# Accidents and Incidents

If you are burned by a chemical, or feel unwell after using a chemical, tell your supervisor and seek medical attention without delay.

# Recap: Hazardous Symbol Signs

