# **Chemical Hygiene and Safety**

# Otis College of Art and Design

#### Health and Safety Training Series

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## **Chemical Safety and Hygiene**

- Main Goals:
  - To enhance the levels of health and safety on campus
  - To comply with Cal/OSHA requirements.
  - To establish common guidelines concerning hazard communication and chemical safety for Otis College students, faculty, and staff, as well as others who may be coming in contact with hazardous materials while on College property.

#### Hazard Communication

- Hazard Communication is a requirement of state and federal law, designed to educate and inform individuals about chemical materials and process hazards within an institution.
- A written Hazard Communication Program typically explains how the information is communicated:
  - A list of the hazardous materials used on-site, as well as detailed information about the chemical, its possible hazards, and ways to protect oneself (summarized as Safety Data Sheets or SDSs).
  - Interpretation of the Hazard Communication Standard, and information on how to read and understand the SDSs and container labels, and directions for protection against chemical hazards.

### Safety Data Sheets

- Set to replace previous Material Safety Data Sheet format by 2015
- Will give a uniform 16 section format for chemical manufacturers
- Will provide greater focus on hazard classification of different chemicals and give clear personal health and safety hazard identifiers

CORPORATION	WELD-ON C-65 ® Low VOC Cleaner for Plastic Pipe						Date Revised: JUN 2009 Supersedes: MAR 2008	
SECTION I - PRO	DUCT AND C	OMPAN	Y IDENTIF	ICATION				
PRODUCT NAME:	WELD-ON C-65  Low VOC Primer for Plastic Pipe					SYNONYMS: Weld-On@	© C-65	
PRODUCT USE:	Low VOC Cleaner for Plastic Pipe (PVC, CPVC, ABX and Stytrene)							
SUPPLIER:	MANUFACTURER: IPS Corporation 17109 South Main Street, Carson, CA 90248-3127 P.O. Box 379, Gardena, CA 90247-0379 Tel. 1-310-898-3300							
EMERGENCY: Transportation: Tel. 800.424.9300, 703.527.3887 CHEMTRE					EK (International),	Medical: Tel. 800.451.8346 3E Company		
SECTION 2 - HAZ	ZARDS IDEN	TIFICATI	ON					
GHS CLASSIFICATION:								
	lealth				nmental	Physical		
Acute Toxicity:	Category 4		Acute Toxicit		Category III	Flammable Liquid/Aeros	ol/Gas:	Category 1
Skin Corrosion:	Category 3		Chronic Toxi	city:	Category IV			
Skin Sensitization:	YES							
Eye:	Category 2B							
GHS LABEL:		OR	*	×				
Hazard Statements						Precautionary Stateme	nts	
Highly flammable liquid a	and vapor N	lay cause a	llergic skin re	action	Do not breath vapor	Keep container closed	Use in well-	ventilated area
SECTION 3 - CO	MPOSITION/	NFORM	ATION ON	INGRED	ENTS			
			CAS#	EINECS #	REACH Pre-registration Number	CONCENTRAT % by Weigh		
Methyl Ethyl Ketone (ME	K)		78-93-3	201-159-0	05-2116297728-24-0000	4 - 15	-	-
Cyclohexanone			108-94-1	203-631-1	05-2116297718-25-0000	2 - 15		
Acetone			67-64-1	200-662-2	05-2116297713-35-0000	60-90		

### Safety Data Sheets

- Must be present in every area where hazardous materials (chemical products and chemical waste) are either used or stored.
- Contains information on the nature and properties of a given chemical, first aid measures in case of an exposure, spill response guidelines, and emergency contact numbers.
- Always ask your instructor or supervisor for assistance if you are not certain about a particular chemical material used.

### **Chemical Container Labels**

- Before you start, review the container label for the following information:
  - Identity of the material
  - Manufacturer contact information
  - Physical/health hazards
  - Special handling instructions
  - Personal Protection Equipment (PPE)
  - First aid, fire response, and spill cleanup

**Important note**: if transferring chemicals from a main container into a secondary one for bench-top use, make sure to mark down the chemical name, volume, user's name(s), and date of dispensing on a new label



# **Chemical Hazard - Flammable**

- Flammable materials can ignite and sustain a fire; can be explosive
- Generated heat can cause serious burns and property damage
- Represented by a symbol 🔬

on SDSs and container labels

• Identified by a **red sector** on the NFPA diamond and is rated from 1 to 4 in terms of increasing risk of fire



• Common flammable products are turpentine and other solvents, paint thinners, lacquers, aerosols, and mineral oils

#### **Chemical Hazard - Toxic**

- Toxic substances can cause a variety of health issues, including damage to the internal body systems, if inhaled, ingested, or absorbed through skin; can also be flammable or corrosive
- Represented by a symbol

on SDSs and container labels

• Identified by a **blue sector** on the NFPA diamond and is rated from 1 to 4 in terms of increasing health risk



• Common toxic products are thiosulfates (photography fixers), as well as various solvents, paints, inks, oils, powders, and products containing mercury or cyanide

### **Chemical Hazard - Corrosive**

- Acids and bases can leech and dissolve other solid materials
- Corrosive materials can cause severe damage to body tissues on contact; fumes can cause burns to respiratory system if inhaled
- Represented by a symbol

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on SDSs and container labels

• Identified by a designation "**C**" on the NFPA diamond



• Common corrosive products are acetic acid (photography stop bath) and ferric chloride (printmaking etching process)

# **Other Chemical Hazards**

- Reactive materials (such as acetylene welding gas) are identified by a yellow sector on the NFPA diamond and are rated from 1 to 4 in terms of increasing violent reaction or detonation risk
- Substances that can cause acute health effects, such as irritants



- Substances that may not cause immediate effects but are highly harmful if accumulated in the body, such as carcinogens
- Substances that can cause environmental damage as persistent pollutants, such as hydroquinone products

#### **Personal Safety Measures**

- Do not eat, drink, or smoke in the laboratory or workshop areas or whenever working with chemicals.
- Always wear personal protection equipment (PPE); at the very least, eye protection, and gloves are a must-have.
- Wear closed-toed shoes and cover any bare skin, this creates a protective barrier in case of a chemical spill or splash.
- Chemicals that generate a lot of fumes need to be handled under an exhaust; aerosols (such as spray-paints) must be used outdoors or in areas with ample ventilation.

#### **Personal Safety Measures**

- Avoid working alone in any of the on-campus laboratories and workshops; check in with a supervisor or an attendant.
- Do not work with concentrated stock solutions, diluted mixtures are less hazardous and are prepared by authorized personnel.
- Avoid working with unfamiliar chemicals and instead use products vetted by the College; do not mix chemicals without supervision.
- NEVER add water to acid, this causes a violent reaction and a splash-back; always add acid to water slowly!

## Spill and Exposure Response

- Report all chemical spills to your instructor or supervisor immediately! Be sure to state what was spilled, if anyone was injured, and prepare to evacuate the area if needed.
- Small spilled amount of inert substances (paints) can be safely cleaned using towels and ventilating the room
- Spilled solvents or printmaking and photography chemistry will need to be assessed by Environmental Health & Safety





# **Chemical Exposure Response**

- **Eyes:** Flush with water for 15 minutes
- Skin: Wash with soap and water, remove contaminated clothing
- Inhalation: Move to fresh air
- **Swallowing:** Get emergency medical assistance
- Call 911 for anyone rendered unconscious and **always** seek medical assistance after accidental chemical exposures!



### Handling Chemical Waste

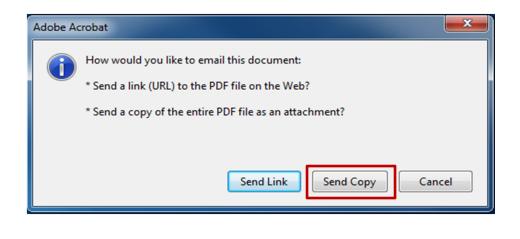
- Do not pour any chemicals down the drain!
- Chemical waste containers are staged inside laboratory and workshop areas and exchanged on regular basis.
- Contact the Environmental Health and Safety (ext. 2609) for help with disposing unused chemicals and hazardous materials.
- Report any observed spills of chemical waste to your instructor or supervisor immediately!

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