

Laboratory Safety Checklist Chemical

Building:		Room Number:	Date:			
Area Supervisor:		Area Use:		Phone:		
Ge	neral Laboratory Safety					
Fac	cility					
1.	Does the area conform to the definition of a lak	poratory?	Yes	No	N/A	
2.	Does the area have at least two exits?	,	Yes	No	N/A	
3.	Are exits clearly marked and unobstructed?		Yes	No	N/A	
4.	Are the appropriate warning signs posted near	the lab entrance(s)?	Yes	No	N/A	
5.	Are emergency procedures and phone numbers	s clearly posted?	Yes	No	N/A	
6.	Are aisles unobstructed and maintained at least	t 36 inches wide throughout?	Yes	No	N/A	
7.	Are lab benches and work area free of clutter?		Yes	No	N/A	
8.	Are shelves and cabinets in good condition?		Yes	No	N/A	
9.	Do shelves have seismic restraints (e.g., lips or	wires)?	Yes	No	N/A	
10.	Are shelves and cabinets secured to the walls?		Yes	No	N/A	
11.	Is storage above eye level minimized and the ite	ems restrained from falling?	Yes	No	N/A	
12.	Are first aid materials readily available?		Yes	No	N/A	
13.	Are fire extinguishers readily available?		Yes	No	N/A	
14.	Are safety showers/eye wash stations accessibl unobstructed route (e.g., no closed doors)?	e within 10 seconds via an	Yes	No	N/A	
15.	Has the safety shower been tested and docume	ented within the past year?	Yes	No	N/A	
16.	Has the eye wash station been tested, flushed, monthly?	and documented at least	Yes	No	N/A	
17.	Are smoking, eating, and drinking prohibited in	the lab?	Yes	No	N/A	
18.	Are refrigerators and freezers clearly labeled "N Human Consumption?"	Not for Storage of Food for	Yes	No	N/A	
19.	Are refrigerators with flammables an approved	type for flammables?	Yes	No	N/A	
Rig	ht-to-Know					
20.	Is the Hazardous Chemical Right-to-Know Poste building?	er prominently displayed in the	Yes	No	N/A	
21.	Is the Hazardous Chemical Right-to-Know Note	book accessible to employees?	Yes	No	N/A	
22.	Has an up-to-date inventory been maintained f	or all hazardous materials?	Yes	No	N/A	
23.	Are SDSs maintained and readily available at all	times employees are present?	Yes	No	N/A	
24.	Are employees familiar with the Chemical Hygie	ene Plan?	Yes	No	N/A	
25.	Do employees know the location of the chemic reference material?	al inventory, SDSs, and related	Yes	No	N/A	
26.	Are employees currently trained in accordance Standard regulations and documented?	with RTK and Laboratory	Yes	No	N/A	
27.	Are employees familiar with the information ar RTK?	d training requirements of	Yes	No	N/A	
28.	Are employees familiar with the physical and he the work area?	ealth hazards of chemicals in	Yes	No	N/A	

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29. Are employees able to describe how to detect the presence or release of hazardous materials?	Yes	No	N/A
30. Do employees know how to protect themselves and others from the effects of hazardous materials?	Yes	No	N/A
31. Are all storage containers clearly labeled in English with chemical names, CAS Numbers, percent composition (for mixtures), and hazard warnings?	Yes	No	N/A
Personal Protection			
32. Has a workplace hazard assessment and certification been completed?	Yes	No	N/A
33. Is a fume hood available?	Yes	No	N/A
34. Is the fume hood free of clutter?	Yes	No	N/A
35. Has the fume hood been inspected within the last 12 months and capable of drawing at least 100 LFPM (or more if appropriate)?	Yes	No	N/A
36. Are fume hoods equipped with air flow indicators?	Yes	No	N/A
37. Are fume hoods labeled "Not for Perchloric Acid" unless designed as a dedicated perchloric acid hood?	Yes	No	N/A
38. Are the appropriate type goggles and face shields worn?	Yes	No	N/A
39. Are lab coats of appropriate material available and worn?	Yes	No	N/A
40. Are appropriate gloves available and worn?	Yes	No	N/A
41. Is appropriate respiratory protection available?	Yes	No	N/A
42. Are respirators cleaned, stored, and inspected regularly?	Yes	No	N/A
43. Is respirator training done and documented along with fit test and medical evaluation of employees?	Yes	No	N/A
44. Is mechanical pipetting used – no mouth suction?	Yes	No	N/A
45. Do personnel wear shoes that fully cover feet and full length trousers to protect legs?	Yes	No	N/A
46. Is long hair confined and inappropriate jewelry removed?	Yes	No	N/A
Compressed Gases			
47. Are cylinders stored upright and properly secured at all times?	Yes	No	N/A
48. Is the storage area dry, cool, and well ventilated?	Yes	No	N/A
49. Are caps properly secured when cylinders are not in use?	Yes	No	N/A
50. Are proper regulators for type gas ALWAYS used and pressure bled when not in use?	Yes	No	N/A
51. Are cylinders in good condition and clearly marked?	Yes	No	N/A
52. Are flammables stored separately from oxidizers, and are toxics in a secure area?	Yes	No	N/A
53. Are cylinders of flammable gases stored in ventilated enclosures?	Yes	No	N/A
54. Are cylinders moved on cylinder trucks with regulators removed and caps secured?	Yes	No	N/A
55. Are cylinders of gases with NFPA health hazard 3 or 4 stored in continuously ventilated enclosures?	Yes	No	N/A
56. Are cylinders of gases with NFPA health hazard 2 with no physiological warning properties stored in continuously ventilated enclosures?	Yes	No	N/A

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57. Are flammable liquids stored in OSHA/NFPA approved cabinets if more than 10	.,		
gallons without approved safety containers?	Yes	No	N/A
58. Are ignition sources avoided when using/storing flammables?59. Are containers segregated by hazard class – flammables away from oxidizers, acids separate from bases, incompatible acids separated (e.g., nitric acid not	Yes	No	N/A
with sulfuric or acetic acid), etc.?	Yes	No	N/A
60. Are corrosives stored in acid cabinets or other appropriate cabinets?	Yes	No	N/A
61. Are chemicals stored at eye level and below?	Yes	No	N/A
62. Are chemicals stored away from light and heat sources?63. Are chemical containers in good condition, with labels intact (e.g., metal cans	Yes	No	N/A
free of rust)?	Yes	No	N/A
64. Are containers labeled with receipt date and date opened?	Yes	No	N/A
65. Are containers closed unless actively adding/removing contents?	Yes	No	N/A
66. Are peroxide formers properly labeled and inventory tracked?	Yes	No	N/A
67. Is picric acid sufficiently wet?	Yes	No	N/A
68. Are large containers (4L or greater) stored near the floor?69. Are bottle carriers utilized when transporting hazardous chemicals between	Yes	No	N/A
work areas?	Yes	No	N/A
70. Are proper signs placed to delineate designated areas where HTOX, REP, and	v		21/2
CAR chemicals are used?	Yes	No	N/A
71. Are designated areas properly cleaned and decontaminated?72. Is the spill procedure prominently posted and information filled in by laboratory		No	N/A
personnel?	Yes	No	N/A
73. Are spill control materials readily available and personnel familiar with how to use them?	Yes	No	N/A
Waste Management			
74. Is hazardous waste properly labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste," a list of contents, and accumulation start date?	Yes	No	N/A
75. Is departmental hazardous waste coordinator informed of waste for disposal?	Yes	No	N/A
76. Is the departmental waste reduction plan adopted and in effect?			
77. Is a chemical inventory management/ordering system in place and checked	Yes	No	N/A
before ordering new chemicals?	Yes	No	N/A
78. Does the department have a system to determine hazardous waste generation rate and quantity accumulated on site?	Yes	No	N/A
79. Is a system in place to notify EH&S of acute hazardous waste ("P listed" waste)?	Yes	No	N/A
80. Is a satellite accumulation area near the point of generation?	Yes	No	N/A
81. Are waste containers tightly closed unless actively adding or removing waste?	Yes	No	N/A
82. Does the waste storage area have communication equipment readily available?	Yes	No	N/A
83. Are waste containers inspected weekly and an inspection log maintained?	Yes	No	N/A

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