# Managing Hazardous Substances





## What is a Hazardous Substance?

- HSNO Act 1996 defines a substance as any:
  - Element/Compound (or their mixtures) of either natural or synthetic nature
  - Variation of an element or a compound
  - Any combination of the above
- Some of these substances are Dangerous Goods



## What are Dangerous Goods?

- A Hazardous Substance is a DG substance if:
  - It meets specific Hazardous Substance Criteria
  - Exceeds specified 'minimum degrees of hazard' thresholds



## Who enforces Dangerous Goods?



<sup>\*</sup>There are other hazardous substance environmental and disposal rules set under the Resource Management Act and local council bylaws. These rules are enforced by local, district and regional councils.



<sup>\*\*</sup> Such as labelling, packaging, safety data sheets and restrictions on ingredients in certain hazardous substances products.
\*\*\*\* City and district council

## Hazardous Substance Criteria are

|   | Explosiveness Class 1               |   | Toxicity<br>Class 6      |
|---|-------------------------------------|---|--------------------------|
| 2 | Flammability<br>(Gases) – Class 2   | 7 | Radioactive<br>Class 7   |
| 3 | Flammability<br>(Liquids) – Class 3 | 8 | Corrosiveness<br>Class 8 |
| 4 | Flammability<br>(Solids) – Class 4  | 9 | Ecotoxicity Class 9      |
| 5 | Capacity to Oxidise Class 5         |   |                          |



## Hazardous Substance Criteria are

#### New Zealand has moved toward the Global Harmonized System (GHS)

| Explosiveness<br>Class 1            | Toxins<br>Class 6        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Flammable<br>(Gases) – Class 2      | Corrosiveness<br>Class 8 |
| Flammability<br>(Liquids) – Class 3 | Ecotoxicity Class 9      |
| Flammability<br>(Solids) – Class 4  |                          |
| Oxidizing Agents<br>Class 5         |                          |







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## Sub -classifications

- Class category (e.g. Class 6 Toxin) = the Hazardous Property
- Sub-class category identifies the type of hazard within the class. E.g. 6.1 = Acute Toxicity, 6.3 = skin irritant
- Letter sub-category degree of hazard fatal. 6.1D is less hazardous than 6.1A

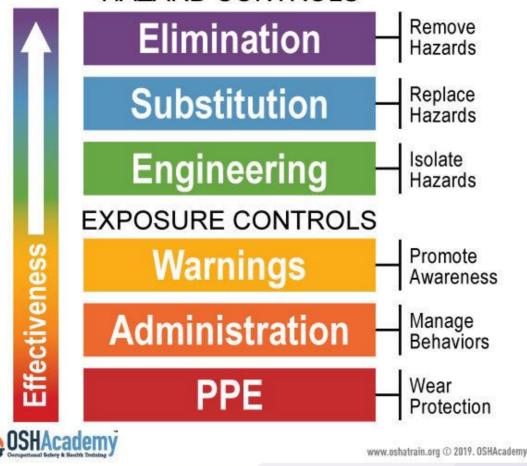


## Some other important info

- Some hazardous substance have more than one classification. E.g. Diesel 3.1D, 6.1E, 6.3B. 6.7B, 9.1B
- UN Number key identifier allocated by the United Nations Committee on transport of DGs
- Legislation identifies thresholds. Or the trigger level where the substance is considered dangerous. Trigger levels are different for each hazardous property

## Risk Management HASWA 2015 HIERARCHY OF CONTROLS

HAZARD CONTROLS





## Things to think about

- Compatibility
  - Some are just not friends
- Health and exposure monitoring
  - E.g. monitoring blood or urine
  - Monitoring the work environment
- Storage
  - Minimise the amount stored
  - Safety Data Sheets



## Safety Data Sheets

- Comprehensive information about the properties of a hazardous substance
- Key source of information to manage risks in the workplace
- Has 16 sections
- Must be less than 5 years old
- It is a legal duty of the PCBU to have a SDS for each substance



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#### Acetone

Safety Data Sheet

according to Federal Register / Vol. 77, No. 58 / Monday, March 26, 2012 / Rules and Regulations

Date of issue: 11/12/1998 Revision date: 04/24/2018 Supersedes: 04/24/2018

#### **SECTION 1: Identification**

#### Identification

Product form : Substance Substance name Acetone Chemical name : 2-Propanone CAS-No. : 67-84-1

: LC10420, LC10425 Product code

Formula : C3H6O

: 2-propanone / beta-ketopropane / dimethyl formaldehyde / dimethyl ketone / dimethylketal / Synonyms

DMK (=dimethyl ketone) / keto propane / methyl ketone / pyroacetic acid / pyroacetic ether /

Version: 1.3

pyroacetic spirit

#### Recommended use and restrictions on use

Use of the substance/mixture Solvent

> Cleaning product Chemical raw material

Recommended use Laboratory chemicals

Restrictions on use Not for food, drug or household use

#### 1.3. Supplier

LabChem, Inc.

Jackson's Pointe Commerce Park Building 1000, 1010 Jackson's Pointe Court

Zelienople, PA 16063 - USA T 412-826-5230 - F 724-473-0647

#### 1.4. Emergency telephone number

Emergency number : CHEMTREC: 1-800-424-9300 or +1-703-741-5970

#### SECTION 2: Hazard(s) identification

#### Classification of the substance or mixture

#### GHS-US classification

Flammable liquids H225 Highly flammable liquid and vapour

Category 2

Serious eye damage/eye H319 Causes serious eve irritation

imitation Category 2A Specific target organ H336

May cause drowsiness or dizziness

toxicity (single exposure)

Category 3

Full text of H statements : see section 16

#### 2.2. GHS Label elements, including precautionary statements

#### GHS US labeling

Hazard pictograms (GHS US)





Signal word (GHS US) Danger

Hazard statements (GHS US) H225 - Highly flammable liquid and vapour H319 - Causes serious eye irritation

H336 - May cause drowsiness or dizziness

Precautionary statements (GHS US) P210 - Keep away from heat, hot surfaces, open flames, sparks. - No smoking.

P233 - Keep container tightly closed.

P240 - Ground/bond container and receiving equipment.

P241 - Use explosion-proof electrical, lighting, ventilating equipment

P242 - Use only non-sparking tools.

P243 - Take precautionary measures against static discharge.

P281 - Avoid breathing mist, spray, vapors.

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## Some other must haves

- Inventory
- Training
- PPE
- Storage
- Emergency Plans
- Spill Kits
- Labelling





## Where to start

www.hazardoussubstances.govt.nz

TOOLBOX

GUIDE WORKBOOK CALCULATOR VIDEOS WORKERS

STEP 1

STEP 2

STEP 3

STEP 4

STEP 5

ASSESS THE RISKS AND ELIMINATE OR MINIMISE THEM

SUBSTANCES SAFELY

GET READY FOR AN EMERGENCY

KEY CONTROLS

→ Use your Workbook to make a list of all of the substances at your workplace and how much you have of each substance. Your Workbook helps you to record all of the information needed to use the Hazardous Substances Calculator.

# Workplace Exposure Standards and Biological Exposure Indices

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#### Workplace exposure standards

| A<br>Substance                 | CAS#       | TWA                      |       | STEL  |       |
|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
|                                |            | ppm                      | mg/m³ | ppm   | mg/m³ |
| ‡ Acetaldehyde <sub>6,78</sub> | [75-07-0]  | 20                       |       | 50    |       |
| Acetic acid                    | [64-19-7]  | 10                       | 25    | 15    | 37    |
| Acetic anhydride               | [108-24-7] | Ceiling 5 ppm (21 mg/m³) |       |       |       |
| Acetone (bio)                  | [67-64-1]  | 500                      | 1,185 | 1,000 | 2,375 |
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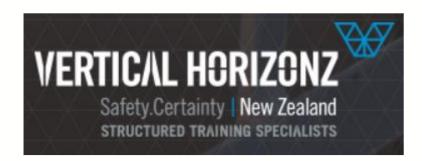




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