

# CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT

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<sup>1</sup> For revision history, see Appendix A.

38 **1. PURPOSE**

39 a. The purpose of the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Chemical  
40 Management Program is to define procedures that, when implemented, will:

- 41
- 42 (1) Protect employees and covered associates<sup>2</sup> from the health and physical hazards  
43 presented by chemicals at a NIST workplace; and
- 44
- 45 (2) Keep employee and covered associate exposures to hazardous chemicals below the  
46 Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) Permissible Exposure Limits  
47 (PELs) specified in 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 1910, Subpart Z and the  
48 American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienist’s Threshold Limit Values  
49 (ACGIH TLVs), or in the absence of both an OSHA PEL and an ACGIH TLV, below the  
50 National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Recommended Exposure  
51 Limit (REL), if available.

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53 b. The purpose of this suborder is to serve as the written NIST Chemical Hygiene Plan (CHP),  
54 as required by OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1450, *Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals*  
55 *in Laboratories*.

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58 **2. BACKGROUND**

59 a. OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1450, *Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories*  
60 was promulgated in 1990 to protect workers from the health hazards associated with  
61 hazardous chemicals in laboratory workplaces. 29 CFR 1910.1450 requires employers  
62 engaged in the “Laboratory Use” (see definition of “Laboratory Use”) of chemicals to  
63 develop and implement a written CHP that contains the following elements:

- 64
- 65 (1) SOPs relevant to safety and health considerations to be followed when laboratory work  
66 involves the use of hazardous chemicals;
- 67
- 68 (2) Criteria used to determine and implement control measures to reduce employee exposure  
69 to hazardous chemicals, where particular attention shall be given to the selection of  
70 control measures for chemicals known to be extremely hazardous;
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- 72 (3) A requirement that fume hoods and other protective equipment shall function properly,  
73 and definition of specific measures that shall be taken to ensure proper and adequate  
74 performance of such protective equipment;
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<sup>2</sup> See NIST O 7101.00: [Occupational Safety and Health Management System](#).

- 76 (4) Provisions for employee information and training in accordance with 29 CFR  
77 1910.1450(f);  
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- 79 (5) The circumstances under which a particular laboratory operation, procedure or activity  
80 shall require prior approval from the employer or the employer's designee before  
81 implementation;  
82
- 83 (6) Provisions for medical consultation and medical examinations in accordance with 29  
84 CFR 1910.1450(g);  
85
- 86 (7) Designation of personnel responsible for implementation of the CHP including the  
87 assignment of a Chemical Hygiene Officer (CHO) and, if appropriate, establishment of a  
88 Chemical Hygiene Committee; and,  
89
- 90 (8) Provisions for additional employee protection for work with a “Particularly Hazardous  
91 Substance (PHS)” [see definition of “Particularly Hazardous Substance (PHS)”].  
92
- 93 b. In addition to the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1450 for the “Laboratory Use” of hazardous  
94 chemicals, there are a number of U.S. regulatory agencies and associated regulations that  
95 may be applicable to the procurement, storage, use, shipment, and transportation of the  
96 hazardous chemicals used at NIST workplaces; specific hazardous chemicals that may have  
97 additional regulatory requirements include OSHA Regulated Substances, Drug Enforcement  
98 Agency (DEA) Controlled Substances and Listed Chemicals, Department of Homeland  
99 Security (DHS) Chemicals of Interest, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Extremely  
100 Hazardous Substances, EPA Ozone Depleting Chemicals, EPA Pesticides, EPA Solid  
101 Wastes, EPA Toxic Release Inventory, Alcohol, Tobacco Products and Firearms (ATF)  
102 Alcohol (Denatured, Tax-Exempt), ATF Explosives, and Department of Transportation  
103 (DOT) / Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) chemicals  
104 offered for transport. This suborder was written in consideration of these regulations with the  
105 intent to address the 29 CFR 1910.1450 CHP requirements for “Laboratory Use” of  
106 hazardous chemicals while also addressing hazardous chemical uses that do not meet the  
107 definition of “Laboratory Use” at NIST workplaces.  
108
- 109 c. This suborder, upon its effective date, supersedes the following NIST Health and Safety  
110 Instructions (HSIs): NIST HSI #2, *Chemical Hoods*; NIST HSI #6, *Recognition and Safe*  
111 *Handling of Peroxidizable Compounds*; NIST HSI #8, *Relative Hazards of Organic Solvents*;  
112 NIST HSI #10, *Carcinogens*; NIST HSI #20, *Chemical Hygiene Plan*; and, NIST HSI #22,  
113 *Laboratory Chemical Storage*.  
114  
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116 **3. APPLICABILITY**

- 117 a. The provisions of this suborder apply to all NIST workplaces.  
118  
119 b. The requirements of Section 6 of this suborder apply to NIST employees and covered  
120 associates whose work activities involve procuring, receiving, storing, handling, using,  
121 shipping, or transporting hazardous chemicals.  
122  
123 c. The responsibilities of Section 9 of this suborder apply to those who manage or support NIST  
124 employees and covered associates whose work activities involve procuring, receiving,  
125 storing, handling, using, shipping, or transporting of chemicals.  
126  
127

128 **4. REFERENCES**

- 129 a. American National Standards Institute/American Industrial Hygiene Association  
130 (ANSI/AIHA) Z9.2, *Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust*  
131 *Ventilation Systems*  
132  
133 b. ANSI/AIHA Z9.5, *Laboratory Ventilation*  
134  
135 c. ANSI/American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Inc.  
136 (ASHRAE) 110, *Method of Testing Performance of Laboratory Fume Hoods*  
137  
138 d. ANSI/International Safety Equipment Association (ISEA) Z358.1, *American National*  
139 *Standard for Emergency Eyewash and Shower Equipment*  
140  
141 e. ATF 27 CFR Part 22, [Distribution and Use of Tax-Free Alcohol](#)  
142  
143 f. ATF 27 CFR Parts 70-399, [Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms](#)  
144  
145 g. ATF 27 CFR Part 555, [Commerce in Explosives](#)  
146  
147 h. DEA 21 CFR Parts 1300-1321, [Controlled Substances](#)  
148  
149 i. DHS 6 CFR Part 27, [Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards](#)  
150  
151 j. EPA 40 CFR Parts 260-272, [Hazardous Waste Management](#)  
152  
153 k. EPA 40 CFR Part 761, [Toxic Substances Control Act](#)  
154  
155 l. EPA 40 CFR Chapter I, Subpart C, [Air Programs](#)

- 156 m. EPA 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter E, [Pesticide Programs](#)  
157
- 158 n. EPA 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter I, [Solid Wastes](#)  
159
- 160 o. EPA 40 CFR Chapter I, Subchapter J, [Superfund, Emergency Planning, and Community](#)  
161 [Right-to-Know Programs](#)  
162
- 163 p. EPA CFR Chapter I, Subchapter R, [Toxic Substances Control Act](#)  
164
- 165 q. National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) 30, *Flammable and Combustible Liquids Code*  
166 (2015 Edition)  
167
- 168 r. NFPA 45, *Standard on Fire Protection for Laboratories Using Chemicals* (2015 Edition)  
169
- 170 s. NFPA 400, *Hazardous Materials Code* (2016 Edition)  
171
- 172 t. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1960, [Basic Program Elements for Federal Employees](#)  
173
- 174 u. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart H, [Hazardous Materials](#)  
175
- 176 v. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart I, [Personal Protective Equipment](#)  
177
- 178 w. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart J, [General Environmental Controls](#)  
179
- 180 x. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart K, [Medical and First Aid](#)  
181
- 182 y. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart L, [Fire Protection](#)  
183
- 184 z. OSHA 29 CFR 1910 Subpart Z, [Toxic and Hazardous Substances:](#)  
185 (1) 29 CFR 1910.1001 - [Asbestos](#).  
186 (2) 29 CFR 1910.1002 - [Coal tar pitch volatiles; interpretation of term](#).  
187 (3) 29 CFR 1910.1003 - [13 Carcinogens \(4-Nitrobiphenyl, etc.\)](#).  
188 (4) 29 CFR 1910.1017 - [Vinyl chloride](#).  
189 (5) 29 CFR 1910.1018 - [Inorganic arsenic](#).  
190 (6) 29 CFR 1910.1025 - [Lead](#).  
191 (7) 29 CFR 1910.1026 - [Chromium \(VI\)](#).  
192 (8) 29 CFR 1910.1027 - [Cadmium](#).  
193 (9) 29 CFR 1910.1028 - [Benzene](#).  
194 (10) 29 CFR 1910.1029 - [Coke oven emissions](#).  
195 (11) 29 CFR 1910.1043 - [Cotton dust](#).

- 196 (12) 29 CFR 1910.1044 - [1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane](#).
- 197 (13) 29 CFR 1910.1045 - [Acrylonitrile](#).
- 198 (14) 29 CFR 1910.1047 - [Ethylene oxide](#).
- 199 (15) 29 CFR 1910.1048 - [Formaldehyde](#).
- 200 (16) 29 CFR 1910.1050 - [Methylenedianiline](#)
- 201 (17) 29 CFR 1910.1051 - [1,3-Butadiene](#).
- 202 (18) 29 CFR 1910.1052 - [Methylene Chloride](#).
- 203 (19) 29 CFR 1910.1053 - [Respirable crystalline silica](#).
- 204 (20) 29 CFR 1910.1200 - [Hazard Communication](#).
- 205 (21) 29 CFR 1910.1450 - [Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories](#)

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- 207 aa. PHMSA 49 CFR Parts 171-180, [Hazardous Materials Regulations \(HMR\)](#)

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## 210 5. APPLICABLE NIST DIRECTIVES

- 211 a. NIST S 7101.20: [Work and Worker Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews](#)

212

- 213 b. NIST S 7101.21: [Personal Protective Equipment](#)

214

- 215 c. NIST S 7101.22: [Hazard Signage](#)

216

- 217 d. NIST S 7101.23: [Safety Education and Training](#)

218

- 219 e. NIST S 7101.24: [Incident Reporting and Investigation](#)

220

- 221 f. NIST S 7101.50: [Biosafety](#)

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- 223 g. NIST S 7101.58: [Respiratory Protection](#)

224

- 225 h. NIST 7 7101.59: [Chemical Hazard Communication](#)

226

- 227 i. NIST S 7201.01: [Radioactive Material at NIST-Gaithersburg](#)

228

- 229 j. NIST S 7201.02: [Radioactive Material at NIST-Boulder](#)

230

- 231 k. NIST S 7301.02: [Air Emissions Management at NIST-Gaithersburg](#)

232

- 233 l. NIST S 7301.03: [Air Emissions Management NIST-Boulder](#)

234

- 235 m. NIST S 7301.06: [Chemical Waste Accumulation/Disposal at NIST-Gaithersburg](#)

236 n. NIST S 7301.07: [Chemical Waste Accumulation/Disposal at NIST-Boulder](#)

237

238 o. NIST S 7301.12: [Storm Water Management at NIST-Gaithersburg](#)

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240 p. NIST S 7301.13: [Storm Water Management at NIST-Boulder](#)

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## 243 **6. REQUIREMENTS**

244 a. Chemical Procurement

245

246 (1) Hazardous chemicals should not be procured until their hazards have been addressed in a  
247 hazard review conducted, reviewed, and approved in accordance with NIST S 7101.20:  
248 *Work and Worker Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews* (see Section 6f).

249

250 (2) Controlled Substances and Listed Chemicals shall be procured in accordance with DEA  
251 21 CFR Parts 1300-1321, *Controlled Substances and Listed Chemicals* (see Appendix C).

252

253 (3) Tax-free alcohol shall be procured in accordance with the applicable requirements of 27  
254 CFR Chapter I, Part 22, Subpart N, *Distribution and Use of Tax-Free Alcohol*.<sup>3</sup>

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256 (4) Hazardous chemicals that are radioactive materials shall be procured in accordance with  
257 NIST S 7201.01: *Radioactive Materials at NIST-Gaithersburg* or NIST S 7201.02:  
258 *Radioactive Material at NIST-Boulder*, as applicable.

259

260 (5) Hazardous chemicals that are Biohazardous Materials shall be procured in accordance  
261 with NIST S 7101.50: *Biosafety*.

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263 b. Chemical Receiving and Transporting

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265 (1) Receiving Hazardous Chemicals at a NIST Workplace

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267 (a) NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Group

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269 i. Hazardous chemical packages transported to NIST Gaithersburg by Department  
270 of Transportation (DOT) licensed hazardous materials transporters (e.g., FedEx,  
271 UPS, U.S. Postal Service) shall be received and inspected by the NIST Package  
272 Services Group employees or covered associates who have completed training in

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<sup>3</sup> Tax-free alcohol is un-denatured alcohol used for non-beverage purposes in scientific research and medicine by educational organizations, hospitals, laboratories, etc. acquired tax-free. The distribution and use of tax-free alcohol is regulated to prevent illegal diversion to taxable beverage use.

- 273 accordance with the requirements of the HMR and who are in a position to store  
274 the packages promptly and properly.  
275
- 276 ii. Hazardous chemical packages should be inspected for any signs of damage or  
277 leakage at the chemical receiving location prior to accepting receipt of the  
278 packages.  
279
- 280 (i) If any evidence of damage or leakage exists, receiving employees should not  
281 accept receipt of the chemical packages.  
282
- 283 (ii) In the event that damaged or leaking chemical packages are received,  
284 chemical incident response procedures shall be implemented [see Section  
285 6i(2)].  
286
- 287 (iii) Damaged or leaking chemical packages should not be delivered to their final  
288 NIST Gaithersburg destinations.  
289
- 290 iii. Hazardous chemical package receiving locations shall maintain materials (e.g.,  
291 sorbent pads, spill kits) needed to contain chemical spills and address any  
292 emergency concerns related to storing the received hazardous chemical packages.  
293
- 294 iv. Hazardous chemical package receiving locations shall have the equipment needed  
295 to provide the specific storage requirements (e.g. chemical segregation,  
296 temperature control, ventilation) for the chemical packages that will be stored in  
297 the receiving location.  
298
- 299 v. Hazardous chemical packages should be stored at receiving locations in  
300 accordance with any specific storage requirements indicated on the chemical  
301 packages, indicated by the shipper, or provided by the OU that ordered the  
302 packages.  
303
- 304 (b) All Other NIST Organizations  
305
- 306 i. Hazardous chemical packages should be received by “Chemical Owners” (see  
307 definition of “Chemical Owners”).  
308
- 309 (i) When this is not possible, hazardous chemical packages shall be received by  
310 employees or covered associates, such as Office Managers, who have  
311 completed the training provided by OSHA on the receipt of hazardous

312 chemical packages and are in a position to transfer the packages promptly to  
313 “Chemical Owners”.

314  
315 ii. Prior to their being accepted from delivery personnel, hazardous chemical  
316 packages should be inspected for any signs of damage or leakage by “Chemical  
317 Owners” or by individuals who have completed the training provided by OSHE  
318 on the receipt of hazardous chemical packages.

319 (i) Chemical incident response procedures shall be implemented for damaged or  
320 leaking packages [see Section 6i(2)].

321  
322 iii. “Chemical Owners” shall store the hazardous chemical containers in accordance  
323 with Section 6c below.

324  
325 (2) Transporting Hazardous Chemicals at a NIST Workplace

326  
327 (a) General Requirements

328  
329 i. Hazardous chemical packages shall be transported only by employees and  
330 covered associates who have completed the training provided by OSHE on  
331 transportation of hazardous chemical packages.

332  
333 ii. Hazardous chemical packages shall be transported by employees or covered  
334 associates prepared to respond to foreseeable emergencies (e.g., spills, leaks,  
335 releases) associated with the specific hazardous chemical packages they will be  
336 transporting.

337  
338 iii. Hazardous chemicals shall be transported in a manner that segregates  
339 incompatible chemicals from each other.

340  
341 iv. Hazardous chemicals shall be transported in inner packaging that should be  
342 contained inside outer packaging.

343  
344 (i) Inner packaging<sup>4</sup> shall be:

345  
346 [i] A leak-tight, sealed container that is in physical contact with the hazardous  
347 chemical being transported;

348  
349 [ii] Composed of material that is compatible with the hazardous chemical  
350 being transported and resistant to breakage or damage; and,

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<sup>4</sup> In general, the hazardous chemical container is the inner packaging.

- 351 [iii]Labeled in accordance with NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard*  
352 *Communication* for inner packaging prepared at NIST.  
353
- 354 (ii) Outer packaging<sup>5</sup> shall be:  
355
- 356 [i] Composed of material that is compatible with the hazardous chemical  
357 being transported in the inner package and capable of protecting against  
358 breakage or damage;  
359
- 360 [ii] Provide cushioning or some other mechanism of maintaining the inner  
361 package in an orientation that prevents leakage of the transported  
362 hazardous chemical from the inner package; and,  
363
- 364 [iii]Capable of containing the full contents of the transported hazardous  
365 chemical contained within the inner packaging.  
366
- 367 v. Hazardous chemical packages should be transported in transport vehicles or on  
368 transportation carts when the number, size, or weight of the packages cannot be  
369 transported safely by carrying.  
370
- 371 vi. Hazardous chemical packages, when transported by motorized vehicles, shall be  
372 transported by employees or covered associates only in “Hazardous Chemical  
373 Transport Vehicles” (see definition of “Hazardous Chemical Transport Vehicle”).  
374
- 375 vii. Hazardous chemical packages shall not be transported in vehicle passenger  
376 compartments.  
377
- 378 viii. Hazardous chemical transport vehicles shall be occupied only by the  
379 employees or covered associates who are performing the chemical transport,  
380 when hazardous chemical packages are present.  
381
- 382 ix. Hazardous chemical transport vehicles should follow the most direct delivery  
383 route to deliver the hazardous chemical packages to their final destinations.  
384
- 385 x. Hazardous chemical transport vehicles should not perform intermediate stops  
386 unrelated to package deliveries or be left unattended when hazardous chemical  
387 packages are stored inside.

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<sup>5</sup> Under certain conditions (e.g., compressed gas cylinders, Dewars), the inner package and outer package are the same container; under these conditions, only the inner packaging requirements need be met [see Section 6b(2)(a)(iv)(i)].

388 xi. Transportation carts should have sides on each shelf that are of a height capable of  
389 retaining the hazardous chemical containers or packages on each shelf; cart  
390 wheels should be of sufficient size to ensure that the wheels do not catch in floor  
391 cracks or door thresholds, which may cause the cart to tip over.

392  
393 xii. Elevators, when used to transport hazardous chemical packages, should be  
394 occupied only by the employees or covered associates who are transporting the  
395 packages.

396  
397 (b) Additional Requirements Applicable to the NIST Gaithersburg Package Services  
398 Group and NIST Gaithersburg Storeroom (in the latter case, if applicable)

399  
400 i. Hazardous chemical containers should be packaged, loaded, segregated,  
401 transported, and unloaded in accordance with the requirements of the HMR for  
402 the specific hazardous chemical packages being transported. Contact OSHE for  
403 assistance.

404  
405 (3) Transporting Hazardous Chemicals from a NIST Workplace

406  
407 (a) General Requirements

408  
409 i. Hazardous chemical packages shall be transported from a NIST workplace by  
410 DOT licensed hazardous materials transporters (e.g., FedEx, UPS, U.S. Postal  
411 Service) in accordance with the HMR, except as described in Section 6b(3)(c)(ii).

412  
413 (b) Additional Requirements Specific to the NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Group

414  
415 i. Pre-transportation functions (e.g., packaging, labeling) shall be performed by  
416 employees or covered associates who have completed training in accordance with  
417 this suborder.

418  
419 ii. Pre-transportation functions shall be performed in accordance with the HMR for  
420 the specific hazardous chemical packages being offered for transport.

421  
422 iii. Transportations functions shall be performed in accordance with the HMR for the  
423 specific hazardous chemical packages being transported.

424  
425 (c) Additional Requirements Applicable to All Other NIST Organizations

426

- 427 i. Hazardous chemical containers that will be offered for transport [i.e., shipped  
428 from a NIST workplace and transported via a DOT licensed hazardous materials  
429 transporters (e.g., FedEx, UPS, U.S. Postal Service)] shall be provided to shipping  
430 personnel for the respective NIST workplace in containers that are:  
431
- 432 (i) Leak-tight, sealed, and composed of materials that are compatible with the  
433 hazardous chemicals that will be transported;  
434
  - 435 (ii) Resistant to breakage or damage;  
436
  - 437 (iii) Labeled in accordance with NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard*  
438 *Communication*; and  
439
  - 440 (iv) Accompanied by Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) in accordance with NIST S  
441 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard Communication*, when required by the shipping  
442 office.  
443
- 444 ii. Hazardous chemical containers that will be transported from a NIST workplace  
445 by employees or covered associates shall be transported in accordance with the  
446 requirements of Section 6b(2)(a) and the following.  
447
- 448 (i) Hazardous chemical inner packages shall be labeled in accordance with NIST  
449 S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard Communication*.  
450
  - 451 (ii) Hazardous chemical packages shall be transported with associated SDSs in  
452 accordance with NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard Communication*.  
453
  - 454 (iii) Hazardous chemical packages shall not be carried on the person, in carry-on  
455 baggage, or in baggage that has been checked onto public transportation (e.g.,  
456 bus, train, airplane).  
457
- 458 c. Chemical Storage  
459
- 460 (1) Hazardous chemicals shall be stored:  
461
    - 462 (a) In accordance with the requirements of this subsection and additional requirements in  
463 Appendix B;  
464
    - 465 (b) In a manner (e.g., in a flammable cabinet, toxic gas cabinet, water-proof cabinet, inert  
466 environment, explosion-proof safe, refrigerator, or freezer) that controls/addresses

- 467 any unique hazardous properties (e.g., fire or explosion potential, temperature  
468 sensitivity, water reactivity, etc.) of the chemicals;  
469
- 470 (c) In permissible storage locations in accordance with the requirements specified in  
471 NFPA400, *Hazardous Materials Code* and/or additional fire codes or regulations,  
472 when applicable, and as determined by the Authority Having Jurisdiction (NIST AHJ  
473 at sites owned and operated by NIST);  
474
- 475 (d) On storage shelving that meets the following criteria, when applicable:  
476
- 477 i. Constructed to carry the design loads; and
  - 478
  - 479 ii. Treated, coated, or constructed of materials that are compatible with the  
480 hazardous chemicals stored on the shelving;  
481
- 482 (e) In sealed containers, preferably the original manufacturer containers;  
483
- 484 (f) In containers that are made from material that is compatible with the chemicals being  
485 stored within;  
486
- 487 (g) In containers that have been labeled in accordance with NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical*  
488 *Hazard Communication*; and,  
489
- 490 (h) In storage tanks, piping, valves, fittings, and containers protected from vehicles, when  
491 applicable, in accordance with the requirements specified in NFPA 400, *Hazardous*  
492 *Materials Code*.  
493
- 494 (2) Hazardous chemicals shall not be stored:  
495
- 496 (a) In service galleys or outdoor locations unless the NIST AHJ has reviewed and  
497 approved the hazardous chemical quantities to be stored in such locations;  
498
  - 499 (b) In administrative spaces or common areas (e.g., offices, conference rooms, break  
500 rooms, coffee rooms, hallways, stairwells, etc.);  
501
  - 502 (c) In refrigerators or freezers together with food or drink;  
503
  - 504 (d) In walk-in coolers or cold rooms not designed and intended for chemical storage; or  
505
  - 506 (e) In direct sunlight or near localized heat sources.

- 507 (3) Hazardous chemicals should be stored:  
508  
509 (a) In locations that prevent unauthorized entry or that are posted “Authorized Personnel  
510 Only”;  
511  
512 (b) At heights no greater than 5 feet from the ground, where feasible, especially when the  
513 hazardous chemicals are liquids;  
514  
515 (c) In secondary containment (e.g., in spill trays or bins composed of materials  
516 compatible with the chemicals to be contained and of sufficient volume capacity to  
517 contain the volume of the largest container being stored within); and  
518  
519 (d) On shelving provided with a lip, guard, sliding glass doors that are kept closed except  
520 when chemicals are being removed or replaced, or some other mechanism that  
521 prevents stored containers from sliding off of the storage shelves, except where  
522 storage is located in approved storage cabinets or on furniture specifically designed  
523 for the storage of hazardous chemicals.  
524
- 525 (4) Hazardous chemicals should not be stored:  
526  
527 (a) In laboratory fume hoods, biosafety cabinets, or other engineering controls, unless  
528 specifically designed and intended for chemical storage;  
529  
530 (b) On cabinets, equipment, or work surfaces;  
531  
532 (c) On the floor or ground; or  
533  
534 (d) Under sinks or near other water sources.  
535
- 536 (5) Refrigerators, freezers, and other cooling equipment located in a laboratory work areas  
537 designated as “Class I Locations” (see definition of “Class I Locations”) shall be  
538 approved for Class I, Division 1 or 2 locations and shall be installed in accordance with  
539 Article 501 of NFPA 70 (Contact OSHE for assistance in meeting refrigeration  
540 equipment requirements.).  
541
- 542 (6) Refrigerators, freezers, and other cooling equipment used to store or cool flammable  
543 liquids shall be listed as special purpose units for use in laboratories or equipment listed  
544 for Class I, Division 1 locations, as described in Article 501 of NFPA 70 (Contact OSHE  
545 for assistance in meeting refrigeration equipment requirements.).  
546

547 (7) Refrigerators, freezers, and other cooling equipment used to store hazardous chemicals:

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549 (a) Shall be prominently marked to indicate whether they meet the NFPA requirements  
550 for safe storage of flammable liquids;

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552 (b) Shall include signage on the exterior surface (e.g., door) of such equipment to  
553 indicate hazardous chemicals are stored inside and that food and beverages shall not  
554 be stored inside (see Figure 1); and

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556 Figure 1: Example Sign (Refrigeration Equipment for Hazardous Chemical Storage)

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559

560 (c) Should include chemical inventory lists that identify the chemical identities and  
561 quantities stored inside of such equipment posted on exterior surfaces of such  
562 equipment.

563

564 (8) Storage cabinets used to store flammable liquids shall be constructed and labeled in  
565 accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.106 and NFPA 30 (see CMP SWP on Flammable  
566 Liquids).

567

568 d. Chemical Inventory

569

570 (1) Hazardous chemical containers present in each NIST work area shall be inventoried in  
571 accordance with the requirements of NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard*  
572 *Communication*.

573

574 e. Hazard Communication

575

576 (1) The hazards of all chemicals resident at a NIST workplace shall be determined/classified  
577 and communicated to employees and covered associates in the form of container labels,

578 appropriate warnings, Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs)/SDSs, and training in  
579 accordance with NIST S 7101.59: *Chemical Hazard Communication*.

580

581 f. Hazard Review and Control

582

583 (1) Hazard reviews for all activities involving hazardous chemicals shall be conducted,  
584 reviewed, and approved in accordance with NIST S 7101.20: *Work and Worker*  
585 *Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews*.

586

587 (a) Applicable chemical regulations (see Appendix C and Appendix G) shall be  
588 consulted during the hazard identification and assessment process.

589

590 (b) PHSs shall be identified during the hazard identification and assessment process and  
591 the following hazard control measures shall be considered and implemented where  
592 appropriate:

593

594 i. Establishment of a designated area;

595

596 ii. Use of containment devices such as fume hoods or glove boxes;

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598 iii. Procedures for safe removal of contaminated waste; and

599

600 iv. Decontamination procedures.

601

602 (c) Additional references [see CMP Safe Work Practices (SWPs)<sup>6</sup> and Appendix D] may  
603 be consulted during the hazard identification and assessment process, as necessary.

604

605 (2) Hazard control measures shall be implemented to keep employee and covered associate  
606 exposures to hazardous chemicals below the applicable OSHA PEL or ACGIH TLV,  
607 whichever is lower (see Appendix E). In the absence of both an OSHA PEL and an  
608 ACGIH TLV, a NIOSH REL shall be used, if available.

609

610 (3) Hazard control measures shall be implemented to prohibit eye and skin contact where  
611 specified in an applicable OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard (see Appendix G).

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613 (4) Hazard control measures shall be implemented in accordance with applicable regulatory  
614 requirements (see Appendix C and Appendix G).

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<sup>6</sup> The CMP SWPs, which are separate resource documents, describe the hazards of particular chemicals and classes of chemicals and provide general practices for using, handling, storing, transporting, and disposing of them safely.

- 616 (5) Hazard control measures shall be implemented according to the hierarchy of controls in  
617 the following order: Elimination, Substitution/Minimization, Engineering Controls,  
618 Administrative Controls, and PPE.  
619
- 620 (a) Elimination  
621
- 622 i. Hazardous chemicals should be eliminated from activities, when possible and  
623 feasible to do so.  
624
- 625 (b) Substitution/Minimization  
626
- 627 i. Hazardous chemicals that cannot be eliminated from activities should be  
628 substituted with less hazardous chemicals (e.g., different chemicals, compositions,  
629 concentrations, physical states), when possible and feasible to do so.  
630
- 631 ii. Hazardous chemicals that cannot be eliminated from activities should be  
632 procured, used, and stored in the minimum quantities necessary to conduct each  
633 activity (e.g., in quantities necessary to perform work for 6-12 months).  
634
- 635 (c) Engineering Controls  
636
- 637 i. Engineering controls shall be selected and implemented based upon applicable  
638 chemical regulations (see Appendix C and Appendix G), OU/division policies,  
639 and work area considerations (e.g., supply/exhaust ventilation, lab design).  
640
- 641 ii. Non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and ducted laboratory special  
642 purpose hoods shall meet the design, construction, installation, commissioning,  
643 performance testing, and maintenance requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.2,  
644 *Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust Ventilation*  
645 *Systems* (most recent edition).  
646
- 647 iii. Non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and ducted laboratory special  
648 purpose hoods meeting the requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.2 shall be labeled,  
649 tagged, or marked to indicate that such equipment is “In Service” (See definition  
650 of “In Service”).  
651
- 652 iv. Non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and ducted laboratory special  
653 purpose hoods not meeting the requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.2 shall be  
654 labeled, tagged, or marked to indicate that the such equipment is “Out of Service”  
655 (See definition of “Out of Service”). Such devices shall not be used.

- 656 v. Laboratory ventilation, ducted laboratory fume hoods, and other ducted laboratory  
657 containment devices shall meet the design, construction, installation,  
658 commissioning, performance testing, and maintenance requirements of  
659 ANSI/AIHA Z9.5, *Laboratory Ventilation* (most recent version).  
660
- 661 vi. Ducted laboratory fume hoods, and other ducted laboratory containment devices  
662 meeting the requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.5 shall be labeled, tagged, or marked  
663 to indicate that the such equipment is “In Service”.  
664
- 665 vii. Ducted laboratory fume hoods, and other ducted laboratory containment devices  
666 not meeting the requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.5 shall be labeled, tagged, or  
667 marked to indicate that the such equipment is “Out of Service”. Such devices shall  
668 not be used.  
669
- 670 viii. Non-ducted laboratory containment devices shall be installed and  
671 maintained in accordance with manufacturer specifications.  
672
- 673 ix. Laboratory fume hoods or other containment devices shall be implemented for  
674 activities with the potential for exposure to airborne hazardous chemicals in  
675 excess of applicable OSHA PELs or ACGIH TLVs [see Section 6h(1)].  
676
- 677 x. Laboratory fume hoods or other containment devices should be implemented for:  
678
- 679 (i) Activities performed indoors involving venting hazardous chemical gases or  
680 vapors from equipment;
  - 681
  - 682 (ii) Activities involving PHSs that present an inhalation hazard (e.g., gas, vapor,  
683 dust, or mist) or generate hazardous gases upon contact with other chemicals  
684 or materials in the immediate work area;
  - 685
  - 686 (iii) Activities involving chemical synthesis or reaction; and  
687
  - 688 (iv) Activities involving uncontained, non-hazardous odiferous compounds.  
689
- 690 (d) Administrative Controls  
691
- 692 i. Administrative controls shall be selected and implemented based upon applicable  
693 chemical regulations (see Appendix C and Appendix G), OU/division policies,  
694 and work area considerations.  
695

- 696 ii. “Designated Areas” should be established and implemented for activities  
697 involving PHSs.  
698  
699 iii. General hazard signage shall be posted at each work area in accordance with  
700 NIST S 7101.22: *Hazard Signage* and indicate the chemical hazards present,  
701 minimum PPE required, and other entry requirements.  
702  
703 iv. Specific hazard signage shall be posted at each work area in accordance with  
704 NIST S 7101.22: *Hazard Signage* when required by this suborder to indicate  
705 mandatory actions, prohibited actions, and additional requirements beyond those  
706 addressed by the work area’s general hazard signage.  
707  
708 v. Signage shall be posted at each work area in accordance with ANSI Z 358.1,  
709 *American National Standard for Emergency Eyewash and Shower Equipment* to  
710 indicate the location of emergency eyewash equipment and emergency showers,  
711 when applicable.

712  
713 (e) PPE  
714

- 715 i. PPE shall be selected and implemented in accordance with NIST S 7101.21:  
716 *Personal Protective Equipment* and NIST S 7101.58: *Respiratory Protection*,  
717 based upon applicable chemical regulations (see Appendix C and Appendix G),  
718 and OU/division policies.  
719

720 g. Hazardous Chemical Work  
721

722 (1) Engineering Controls (General Requirements)  
723

- 724 (a) When hazardous chemical work is required to be performed inside a laboratory fume  
725 hood or other containment device, the work shall be performed inside a fume hood or  
726 other containment device that is functioning properly.  
727  
728 (b) When it is required that hazardous chemical work be performed inside a laboratory  
729 fume hood, the work shall be:  
730

- 731 i. Performed by NIST employees or covered associates who have been trained on  
732 the proper use of the specific laboratory fume hood or other containment device  
733 and who can recognize when such a device is not functioning properly;<sup>7</sup>  
734
- 735 ii. Performed with the fume hood's sash opening set at or below its Designated Sash  
736 Position (i.e., maximum sash opening designated when the fume hood was last  
737 tested and approved for use);  
738
- 739 iii. Performed inside of a laboratory fume hood in a manner that does not allow a  
740 NIST employee's or covered associate's head to enter the work area of the  
741 laboratory fume hood unless approved by OSHE; and  
742
- 743 iv. Performed in a manner that does not include intentionally venting hazardous  
744 chemicals as a means of chemical disposal.  
745
- 746 (c) Equipment and chemicals located inside a laboratory fume hood should be:  
747
- 748 i. Placed at least 6 inches behind the sash plane to improve containment of  
749 hazardous chemicals within the fume hood;  
750
- 751 ii. Located in such a manner as to avoid obstructing the airflow into the face of or  
752 out the back of the laboratory fume hood to the exhaust ductwork; and,  
753
- 754 iii. Minimized to reduce air turbulence within the fume hood.  
755
- 756 (d) Electrically-powered equipment located inside a laboratory fume hood shall be  
757 connected to electrical receptacles located outside of the laboratory fume hood and/or  
758 in a manner that mitigates the risk of chemical or electrical fire presented by the  
759 electrical equipment and the chemicals present.  
760
- 761 (2) Administrative Controls (General Requirements)  
762
- 763 (a) Hazardous chemical work shall be authorized work and performed only by authorized  
764 employees and covered associates in accordance with NIST S 7101.20: *Work and*  
765 *Worker Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews.*  
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<sup>7</sup> Malfunctioning devices should be communicated immediately to line management and the responsible site facilities organization. At sites owned and operated by NIST, it is recommended that the issue also be communicated to OSHE.

768 (3) PPE (General Requirements)

769

770 (a) PPE shall be worn in accordance with the work area-specific, minimum PPE  
771 requirements indicated on the work area's signage and in accordance with the  
772 applicable hazard review for the activity.

773

774 (4) Work Practice Controls (General Requirements)

775

776 (a) Housekeeping

777

778 i. Work areas should be cleaned at the completion of a work activity or at the end of  
779 the work shift as needed.

780

781 ii. Work areas should be kept clean and free of obstructions.

782

783 iii. Access to work area exits, emergency equipment, and other control equipment  
784 shall be maintained.

785

786 iv. Containers of hazardous chemicals shall be closed when not being used, unless  
787 conditions (e.g., chemical reactivity) exist such that the container would  
788 experience a pressure increase if closed.

789

790 v. Containers of hazardous chemicals should be returned to designated chemical  
791 storage locations at the completion of a work activity or at the end of the work  
792 shift.

793

794 vi. Drips or residues of chemicals should be cleaned from the outer surfaces of  
795 containers and other work area surfaces (e.g., counters, bench tops, floors) to  
796 maintain a clean work area and minimize chemical exposures.

797

798 (b) Personal Hygiene

799

800 i. Chemical gloves should be removed and properly disposed of after completion of  
801 the activity and before leaving the laboratory.

802

803 ii. Hands should be washed immediately after working with hazardous chemicals  
804 and prior to contacting other body parts, common items (e.g., computers, door  
805 knobs, work phones), personal items (e.g., cell phones, eye glasses, keys), and  
806 personal consumables.

807

808 (c) Personal Consumables

809

810 i. Equipment (e.g., refrigerators, freezers, cold rooms, microwave ovens, and ovens)  
811 used for hazardous chemical manipulation or storage shall not be used for the  
812 manipulation or storage of personal consumables (e.g., food or beverages). Such  
813 equipment shall be clearly labeled “No Food or Drink” or equivalent.

814

815 ii. Food and beverages should not be consumed or stored in work areas where  
816 hazardous chemicals are used or stored.

817

818 iii. Drinking and eating utensils should not be used or stored in areas where  
819 hazardous chemicals are handled or stored.

820

821 (d) Appliances

822

823 i. Appliances (e.g., refrigerators, freezers, microwave ovens, dishwashers) located  
824 in administrative spaces or common areas (e.g., offices, conference rooms, break  
825 rooms, coffee rooms, hallways) and used by the general NIST population for their  
826 intended purposes shall only be used for their intended purposes, *i.e.*, they shall  
827 not be used for scientific needs. Examples include, but are not limited to:

828

- Refrigerators containing food for consumption shall not be used to store  
829 chemicals or samples;

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- Microwaves used to prepare food for consumption shall not be used to  
831 process samples; and

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- Dishwashers used to clean clean dishes used for meals shall not be used  
833 for cleaning or otherwise processing laboratory containers or glassware.

834

835 (e) Outdoor Hazardous Chemical Work

836

837 i. Work involving hazardous chemical use outdoors:

838

839 (i) Shall be performed in a manner to prevent chemical release to the  
840 environment<sup>8</sup>;

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842 (ii) Should be performed in a manner that accounts for the weather conditions,  
843 elevation, surface conditions, and the work proximity to building ventilation  
844 intakes and exhausts, ignition sources, and local traffic; and,

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<sup>8</sup> Exceptions may apply but excepted releases shall be controlled and in compliance with regulatory requirements; contact OSHE for assistance.

846 (iii) Shall not be performed unless the applicable approved hazard review indicates  
847 that the work may be performed outdoors.

848

849 (f) Environmental Aspects<sup>9</sup>

850

851 i. Releases to a Sanitary Sewer or Storm Sewer

852

853 (i) Hazardous chemicals shall not be intentionally poured into a sanitary sewer or  
854 storm sewer. If it is necessary to intentionally release any hazardous chemicals  
855 to a sanitary sewer or storm sewer, the chemical release shall be approved by  
856 the responsible site environmental organization at the specific NIST  
857 workplace (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST) prior to any release  
858 and performed in accordance with the waste water or storm water permit for  
859 the specific NIST workplace.

860

861 (ii) Accidental releases of any chemical to a sanitary sewer or storm sewer shall  
862 be reported immediately to the responsible site environmental organization at  
863 the specific NIST workplace (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST).

864

865 ii. Air Emissions

866

867 (i) Hazardous chemicals shall not be intentionally released or evaporated into the  
868 open air or inside a laboratory fume hood as a means of chemical disposal. If  
869 it is necessary to intentionally release any hazardous chemicals for the  
870 purpose of disposal, the chemical release shall be approved by the responsible  
871 site environmental organization (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST)  
872 prior to the release and performed in accordance with the air permit for the  
873 specific NIST workplace<sup>10</sup>.

874

875 (ii) Air emissions resulting from the authorized and proper use of a laboratory  
876 fume hood are permitted.

877

878 (iii) Air emissions of refrigerants and other ozone depleting substances (e.g.,  
879 chlorofluorocarbons) shall comply with applicable Federal and State  
880 regulations; contact OSHE for assistance.

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<sup>9</sup> NIST personnel working at sites not owned and operated by NIST will need to address the items in this subsection in accordance with the requirements established by the parties responsible for operating those sites.

<sup>10</sup> In general, laboratory scale activities (e.g., chemical releases into a laboratory fume hood) are exempt from air emissions requirements and therefore such chemical releases do not require approval from OSHE; however, air emissions should be minimized from all sources. Any questions regarding air emissions shall be directed to OSHE.

882 (iv) Accidental releases of any chemical to the open air shall be reported  
883 immediately to the responsible site environmental organization at the specific  
884 NIST workplace (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST).

885  
886 iii. Releases to Ground, Soil, or Pavement

887  
888 (i) Hazardous chemicals shall not be intentionally released to the ground, soil, or  
889 pavement. If it is necessary to intentionally release any hazardous chemicals  
890 to the ground, soil, or pavement, the chemical release shall be approved by the  
891 responsible site environmental organization at the specific NIST workplace  
892 (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST).

893  
894 (ii) Accidental releases of any chemical to the ground, soil, or pavement shall be  
895 reported immediately to the responsible site environmental organization at the  
896 specific NIST workplace (OSHE at sites owned and operated by NIST).

897  
898 (g) Chemical Disposal and Hazardous Waste

899  
900 i. All spent, expired, or otherwise “waste” chemicals shall be contained, labeled,  
901 and turned in for disposal in accordance with the requirements of the responsible  
902 site environmental organization at the specific NIST workplace (OSHE at sites  
903 owned and operated by NIST).

904  
905 h. Hazardous Chemical Exposure

906  
907 (1) Exposure Limits

908  
909 (a) Hazardous chemical exposures shall not exceed the applicable OSHA PEL or ACGIH  
910 TLV, whichever is lower (see Appendix E).<sup>11</sup>

911  
912 (b) In the absence of both an OSHA PEL and an ACGIH TLV, a National Institute of  
913 Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Recommended Exposure Limit (REL) shall  
914 be used, if available.

915  
916 (c) Eye and skin contact shall be prohibited where specified in an OSHA Chemical-  
917 Specific Health Standard (see Appendix G).

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<sup>11</sup> At NIST, employee and covered associate exposures shall be kept below the applicable OSHA PEL or ACGIH TLV, whichever is lower; employee and covered associate exposures to OSHA-regulated substances shall be limited to below the specific exposure limits published in any applicable OSHA health standard, unless that standard states otherwise; in the absence of an OSHA PEL, employee and covered associate exposures shall be limited to below the specific exposure limits published in the ACGIH TLVs.

918 (2) Exposure Monitoring – General Considerations

919

920 (a) If there is reason to believe (e.g., by signs or symptoms of exposure) that a hazardous  
921 chemical exposure level routinely exceeds the applicable exposure limit, OSHE shall  
922 be contacted.

923

924 (b) Employees or covered associates concerned about potential hazardous chemical  
925 exposures should consult with OSHE on the need for and conduct of exposure  
926 monitoring.

927

928 (3) Exposure Monitoring for Hazardous Chemicals Regulated by OSHA Chemical-Specific  
929 Health Standards (see Appendix G)

930

931 (a) Hazardous Chemical Uses that Meet the Definition of “Laboratory Use”

932

933 i. If there is reason to believe (e.g., by signs or symptoms of exposure) that  
934 exposure levels routinely exceed an action level (or in the absence of an action  
935 level, the PEL) specified in an applicable OSHA Chemical-Specific Health  
936 Standard, OSHE shall be contacted.

937

938 (b) Hazardous Chemical Uses that Do Not Meet the Definition of “Laboratory Use”

939

940 i. When exposure monitoring is required by an applicable OSHA Chemical-Specific  
941 Health Standard, OSHE shall be contacted.

942

943 (4) Medical Consultation and Examination<sup>12</sup>

944

945 (a) General

946

947 i. Whenever an event takes place in the work area such as a spill, leak, explosion, or  
948 other occurrence resulting in the likelihood of a hazardous chemical exposure, the  
949 affected employee or covered associate shall be provided an opportunity for a  
950 medical consultation for the purpose of determining the need for a medical  
951 examination.

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953 ii. Whenever an employee or covered associate develops signs or symptoms  
954 associated with a hazardous chemical to which they may have been exposed in the

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<sup>12</sup> 29 CFR 1910.1450 requires that the employer of the employee is responsible for ensuring that these medical consultation and examinations requirements have been met with the exception of 6h(4)(c), which applies to “Non-Laboratory Uses”, and 6h(4)(g), which applies to medical consultations and examinations for NIST employees only.

955 NIST work area, the employee or covered associate shall be provided an  
956 opportunity to receive an appropriate medical examination.

957  
958 (b) Hazardous Chemical Uses that Meet the Definition of “Laboratory Use”

- 959  
960 i. Where exposure monitoring reveals an exposure level routinely above the action  
961 level (or in the absence of an action level, the PEL) for a hazardous chemical  
962 regulated by an OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard (see Appendix G) for  
963 which there are exposure monitoring and medical surveillance requirements, the  
964 affected employee or covered associate shall receive medical surveillance in  
965 accordance with the applicable OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard.

966  
967 (c) Hazardous Chemical Uses that Do Not Meet the Definition of “Laboratory Use”

- 968  
969 i. When medical consultations and examinations are required by an applicable  
970 OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard (see Appendix G), affected employees  
971 and covered associates shall be provided with medical consultations and  
972 examinations in accordance with the applicable OSHA Chemical-Specific Health  
973 Standard.

974  
975 (d) Medical consultations and examinations shall be performed by or under the direct  
976 supervision of a licensed physician and shall be provided without cost to the  
977 employee or covered associate, without loss of pay, and at a reasonable time and  
978 place.

979  
980 (e) The information provided to physicians who perform or directly supervise medical  
981 consultations and examinations shall include the following:

- 982  
983 i. The identity of the hazardous chemical(s) to which the employee or covered  
984 associate may have been exposed;  
985  
986 ii. A description of the conditions under which the exposure occurred, including  
987 quantitative exposure data, if available; and  
988  
989 iii. A description of the signs and symptoms of exposure that the employee or  
990 covered associate is experiencing, if any.

991  
992 (f) Written opinions including the following shall be obtained from physicians who  
993 perform or directly supervise medical consultations and examinations:  
994

- 995 i. Any recommendation for further medical follow-up;  
996  
997 ii. The results of the medical examination and any associated tests;  
998  
999 iii. Any medical condition which may be revealed in the course of the examination  
1000 which may place the employee at increased risk as a result of exposure to a  
1001 hazardous workplace; and  
1002  
1003 iv. A statement that the employee has been informed by the physician of the results  
1004 of the consultation or medical examination and any medical condition that may  
1005 require further examination or treatment.  
1006  
1007 (g) Written opinions obtained from physicians who perform or directly supervise medical  
1008 consultations and examinations for NIST employees shall be provided to OSHE.  
1009  
1010 i. Emergency Equipment and Chemical Incident Response Procedures  
1011  
1012 (1) Emergency Equipment  
1013  
1014 (a) Emergency Showers, Eyewash Equipment, Eye/Face Wash Equipment, Combination  
1015 Units, and Supplemental Equipment  
1016  
1017 i. Eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, or a combination unit containing  
1018 an eyewash equipment component or an eye/facewash equipment component  
1019 shall be available in the work area when:  
1020  
1021 (i) A direct exposure to ethyleneimine or beta-propiolactone may occur; or  
1022  
1023 (ii) The eyes of an employee or covered associate may be exposed to injurious  
1024 corrosive chemicals, solutions containing 0.1 percent or greater of  
1025 formaldehyde, or solutions containing 0.1 percent or greater of methylene  
1026 chloride.  
1027  
1028 ii. Eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, or a combination unit containing  
1029 an eyewash equipment component or an eye/facewash equipment component  
1030 should be available in the work area when hazardous chemicals present an  
1031 exposure hazard to the eyes of an employee or covered associate.  
1032  
1033 iii. An emergency shower or a combination unit containing an emergency shower  
1034 component shall be available in the work area when:

- 1035 (i) A direct exposure to ethyleneimine or beta-propiolactone may occur;  
1036  
1037 (ii) The body of an employee or covered associate may be exposed to injurious  
1038 corrosive chemicals, solutions containing 1 percent or greater of  
1039 formaldehyde, or solutions containing 0.1 percent or greater of methylene  
1040 chloride.
- 1041
- 1042 iv. An emergency shower or a combination unit containing an emergency shower  
1043 component should be available in the work area when hazardous chemicals  
1044 present an exposure hazard to the body of an employee or covered associate.  
1045
- 1046 v. Supplemental equipment (e.g., personal wash unit, drench hose) may be available  
1047 in the work area to provide additional flushing support; however, supplemental  
1048 equipment shall not replace emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face  
1049 wash equipment or such components in combination units.  
1050
- 1051 vi. Emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination  
1052 units, and supplementary equipment shall meet the performance and installation  
1053 requirements in accordance with ANSI Z 358.1, *Emergency Eyewash and Shower  
1054 Equipment* (most recent version) in order to be “Commissioned” and placed “In  
1055 Service”.  
1056
- 1057 vii. Emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination  
1058 units, and supplementary equipment shall meet the following maintenance  
1059 requirements in order to remain “In Service”.  
1060
- 1061 (i) Plumbed eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination unit  
1062 components that are eyewash equipment or eye/face wash equipment, and  
1063 supplementary equipment shall be:<sup>13</sup>  
1064
- 1065 [i] Activated weekly for a period long enough to verify operation and ensure  
1066 that flushing fluid is available; and,  
1067
- 1068 [ii] Inspected annually to ensure conformance with the performance and  
1069 installation requirements of ANSI Z 358.1 [At sites owned and operated

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<sup>13</sup> Equipment that has been “Commissioned” and originally placed “In Service” may be taken “Out of Service”, when no activity in the work area presents hazards that would require such equipment. “Out of Service” equipment does not have to be activated weekly or inspected annually; however, “Out of Service” equipment shall be inspected prior to being placed back “In Service” and shall be activated weekly and inspected annually as long as it remains “In Service”.

1070 by NIST, OFPM shall perform or supervise all inspections of plumbed  
1071 equipment (see Section 9)].

1072  
1073 (ii) Plumbed emergency showers and combination unit components that are  
1074 emergency showers shall be:<sup>14</sup>

1075  
1076 [i] Inspected annually to ensure conformance with the performance and  
1077 installation requirements of ANSI Z 358.1 [At sites owned and operated  
1078 by NIST, OFPM shall perform or supervise all inspections plumbed  
1079 equipment (see Section 9)].

1080  
1081 (iii) Self-contained equipment shall be:

1082  
1083 [i] Checked visually on a weekly basis to determine if the flushing fluid  
1084 needs to be changed or supplemented and flushing fluid shall be added in  
1085 accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, when required; and,

1086  
1087 [ii] Inspected annually to ensure conformance with the performance and  
1088 installation requirements of ANSI Z 358.1.

1089  
1090 viii. Emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment,  
1091 combination units, and supplementary equipment that have been "Commissioned"  
1092 but do not meet the maintenance requirements above [see Section 6i(1)(a)(vii.)]  
1093 shall be designated as "Out of Service" and the site organization responsible for  
1094 plumbed emergency equipment at the specific site [OFPM at sites owned and  
1095 operated by NIST] shall be notified. Such devices shall not be used.

1096  
1097 ix. Emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination  
1098 units, and supplementary equipment shall be labeled, tagged, or marked to  
1099 indicate the status (i.e., "In Service" or "Out of Service") of the equipment [At  
1100 sites owned and operated by NIST, OFPM shall perform or supervise all labeling,  
1101 tagging, or marking of plumbed equipment (see Section 9)].

1102  
1103 (2) Chemical Incident Response Procedures<sup>15</sup>

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<sup>14</sup> Equipment that has been "Commissioned" and originally placed "In Service" may be taken "Out of Service", when no activity in the work area presents hazards that would require such equipment. "Out of Service" equipment does not have to be inspected annually; however, "Out of Service" equipment shall be inspected prior to being placed back "In Service" and shall be inspected annually as long as it remains "In Service".

<sup>15</sup> Responses to incidental releases of hazardous substances where the substance can be absorbed, neutralized, or otherwise controlled at the time of release by employees or covered associates in the immediate release area, or by maintenance personnel, are not considered to be emergency responses within the scope of 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response*. Responses to releases of hazardous substances where there

- 1104 (a) Chemical incident (e.g., exposure, release, and spill) responses should be performed  
1105 in accordance with the response procedures described in the Occupant Emergency  
1106 Plan for the specific workplace, the CMP SWP: *Chemical Incident Response*  
1107 *Procedures*, and the applicable activity-specific incident response plan.  
1108
- 1109 (b) All chemical exposures, releases, and spills in which any of the following,  
1110 individually or in combination, occurred or could have occurred: an injury or illness;  
1111 an unauthorized spill or release of hazardous or regulated material to the  
1112 environment; damage or loss of equipment or property shall be reported in  
1113 accordance with NIST S 7101.24: *Incident Reporting and Investigation*.  
1114
- 1115 j. Information and Training  
1116
- 1117 (1) Training shall be provided, documented, and recorded in accordance with the  
1118 requirements of the NIST S 7101.23: *Safety Education and Training*.  
1119
- 1120 (2) Employees and covered associates to whom this suborder applies shall receive the  
1121 following information and training at the time of their initial assignment to a NIST work  
1122 area where hazardous chemicals are present and prior to assignments involving new  
1123 chemical exposure situations:  
1124
- 1125 (a) Training provided by OSHE covering the following topics:  
1126
- 1127 i. The applicable details of this suborder (i.e., NIST's written CHP);  
1128
- 1129 ii. The physical and health hazards of chemicals in the work area;  
1130
- 1131 iii. The measures employees can take to protect themselves from these hazards,  
1132 including specific procedures the employer has implemented to protect employees  
1133 from exposure to hazardous chemicals, such as appropriate work practices,  
1134 emergency procedures, and personal protective equipment to be used; and  
1135
- 1136 iv. Methods and observations that may be used to detect the presence or release of a  
1137 hazardous chemical (such as monitoring conducted by the employer, continuous  
1138 monitoring devices, visual appearance or odor of hazardous chemicals when  
1139 being released, etc.).  
1140
- 1141 (b) Information provided by OSHE covering the following topics:

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is no potential safety or health hazard (i.e., fire, explosion, or chemical exposure) are not considered to be emergency responses.

- 1142 i. The location and availability of this suborder;  
1143  
1144 ii. The location and availability of the CMP SWPs;  
1145  
1146 (i) It is recommended that employees and covered associates, prior to performing  
1147 work with hazardous chemicals, review applicable CMP SWPs to understand  
1148 the general hazards of specific chemicals (e.g., hydrofluoric acid, perchloric  
1149 acid) and chemical classes (e.g., corrosives, flammables, oxidizers, peroxides  
1150 and peroxidizables, PHSs, pyrophorics, and water-reactives) and practices for  
1151 using, handling, storing, transporting, and disposing of them safely;  
1152  
1153 iii. The contents and availability of 29 CFR 1910.1450, *Occupational Exposure to*  
1154 *Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories*, including its appendices (see Appendix F);  
1155  
1156 iv. The permissible exposure limits for OSHA regulated substances and  
1157 recommended exposure limits for other hazardous chemicals where there are no  
1158 applicable OSHA standards (see Appendix E);  
1159  
1160 v. The signs and symptoms associated with exposures to hazardous chemicals used  
1161 in their NIST work areas; and  
1162  
1163 vi. The location and availability of known references on the hazards, safe handling,  
1164 storage, and disposal of hazardous chemicals (see Appendix D).  
1165  
1166 (c) Information provided by the OU/division covering the following topics, as applicable:  
1167  
1168 i. Work area-specific procedures for hazardous chemical procurement, receipt,  
1169 storage, inventory, use, disposal, and emergency response;  
1170  
1171 ii. Workplace-specific procedures for hazardous chemical transporting and shipping;  
1172 and,  
1173  
1174 iii. Workplace-specific procedures for obtaining exposure determination/monitoring  
1175 and medical consultation/surveillance.  
1176  
1177 (3) Employees and covered associates (excluding NIST Gaithersburg Package Services  
1178 Group) who will receive hazardous chemical packages at a NIST workplace shall  
1179 complete, prior to receiving hazardous chemical packages at a NIST workplace, either (a)  
1180 the training provided by OSHE on this suborder or (b) the training provided by OSHE on  
1181 receiving hazardous chemical packages at a NIST workplace.

1182 (4) Employees and covered associates whose job duties require responding to hazardous  
1183 chemical exposures, releases, or spills not in their immediate work area shall complete  
1184 training in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and*  
1185 *Emergency Response*.

1186  
1187 (5) NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Group to whom this suborder applies who will  
1188 perform pre-transportation, transportation, or receiving functions for hazardous chemical  
1189 packages shall complete and maintain training, and receive information, in accordance  
1190 with the requirements of the HMR prior to performing any pre-transportation,  
1191 transportation, or receiving functions.

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## 1194 7. DEFINITIONS

1195 Definitions common to all NIST OSH suborders can be found in Section 6 of NIST O  
1196 7101.00. The definitions specific to this suborder are as follows:

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1198 a. Action Level – A concentration designated in 29 CFR Part 1910 for a specific substance,  
1199 calculated as an eight (8)-hour time-weighted average, which initiates certain required  
1200 activities such as additional exposure monitoring, evaluation of controls and medical  
1201 surveillance. In the absence of an Action Level specified in 29 CFR Part 1910, one half of  
1202 the permissible exposure limit shall be considered the action level for chemical exposures at  
1203 NIST.

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1205 b. Activity – An experiment, operation, process, or job, often comprising subtasks, conducted to  
1206 achieve a specific outcome.

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1208 c. Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) – An individual, office, or organization responsible for  
1209 enforcing the requirements of a code or standard, or for approving equipment, materials, an  
1210 installation, or a procedure.

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1212 d. Biohazard – A biological material or agent that presents potential risk to the health of  
1213 humans or other organisms either directly through infection or indirectly through damage to  
1214 the environment. Biohazards include, but are not limited to, bacteria; fungi; viruses;  
1215 parasites; rickettsia; biological toxins; prions; non-human mammalian cell lines and tissues;  
1216 human specimens such as human blood, serum, plasma, blood products, primary and  
1217 continuous human cell lines, unfixed human tissues, fecal materials, semen, vaginal  
1218 secretions, cerebrospinal fluid, synovial fluid, pleural fluid, pericardial fluid, peritoneal fluid,  
1219 amniotic fluid, saliva, tears, sweat, breast milk, and urine; and recombinant DNA materials  
1220 such as inserts or vectors that are known to express toxins, oncogenes, and/or virulent  
1221 factors. Non-toxic proteins and commercially available enzymes, cell culture medium and

- 1222 supplements, reagents such as monoclonal antibodies, and random DNA base pairs are not  
1223 considered biohazards.  
1224
- 1225 e. Biohazardous Material – See definition of biohazard.  
1226
- 1227 f. Acute Toxicity (HCS2012) – Adverse effects occurring following oral or dermal  
1228 administration of a single dose of a substance, or multiple doses given within 24 hours, or an  
1229 inhalation exposure of 4 hours.  
1230
- 1231 g. Carcinogenicity (HCS2012) – *Carcinogen* means substance or a mixture of substances which  
1232 induce cancer or increase its incidence. Substances and mixtures which have induced benign  
1233 and malignant tumors in well-performed experimental studies on animals are considered also  
1234 to be presumed or suspected human carcinogens unless there is strong evidence that the  
1235 mechanism of tumor formation is not relevant for humans.  
1236
- 1237 h. Chemical – Any substance or mixture of substances.  
1238
- 1239 i. Chemical Abstract Service – A division of the American Chemical Society that assigns CAS  
1240 registry numbers.  
1241
- 1242 j. Chemical Owners – Employees and covered associates who are responsible for ensuring  
1243 hazardous chemicals they own are promptly and properly stored, inventoried, and managed  
1244 from receipt to disposal in accordance with applicable NIST OSH suborders.  
1245
- 1246 k. Chemical Hygiene Plan – A written program developed and implemented by the employer  
1247 which sets forth procedures, equipment, PPE and work practices that (i) are capable of  
1248 protecting employees from the health hazards presented by hazardous chemicals used in that  
1249 particular workplace and (ii) meets the requirements of paragraph (e) of 29 CFR 1910.1450.  
1250 This suborder (NIST S 7101.60: *Chemical Management*) constitutes the NIST chemical  
1251 hygiene plan.  
1252
- 1253 l. Chemical Name – The scientific designation of a chemical in accordance with the  
1254 nomenclature system developed by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry  
1255 (IUPAC) or the Chemical Abstracts Service (CAS) rules of nomenclature, or a name that will  
1256 clearly identify the chemical for the purpose of conducting a hazard classification.  
1257
- 1258 m. Class I Locations – Locations in which flammable gases or vapors are or may be present in  
1259 the air in quantities sufficient to produce explosive or ignitable mixtures. Class I locations  
1260 include the following:  
1261

- 1262 (1) Class I, Division 1. A Class I, Division 1 location is a location:  
1263  
1264 (a) In which ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors may exist under  
1265 normal operating conditions; or  
1266  
1267 (b) In which ignitable concentrations of such gases or vapors may exist frequently  
1268 because of repair or maintenance operations or because of leakage; or  
1269  
1270 (c) In which breakdown or faulty operation of equipment or processes might release  
1271 ignitable concentrations of flammable gases or vapors, and might also cause  
1272 simultaneous failure of electric equipment.  
1273
- 1274 (2) Class I, Division 2. A Class I, Division 2 location is a location:  
1275  
1276 (a) In which volatile flammable liquids or flammable gases are handled, processed, or  
1277 used, but in which the hazardous liquids, vapors, or gases will normally be confined  
1278 within closed containers or closed systems from which they can escape only in the  
1279 event of accidental rupture or breakdown of such containers or systems, or as a result  
1280 of abnormal operation of equipment; or  
1281  
1282 (b) In which ignitable concentrations of gases or vapors are normally prevented by  
1283 positive mechanical ventilation, and which might become hazardous through failure  
1284 or abnormal operations of the ventilating equipment; or  
1285  
1286 (c) That is adjacent to a Class I, Division 1 location, and to which ignitable  
1287 concentrations of gases or vapors might occasionally be communicated unless such  
1288 communication is prevented by adequate positive-pressure ventilation from a source  
1289 of clean air, and effective safeguards against ventilation failure are provided.  
1290
- 1291 n. Combination Unit – An interconnected assembly of emergency equipment supplied by a  
1292 single source of flushing fluid and containing at least two of the following components:  
1293 drench hose, eyewash, eye/face wash, and emergency shower, as defined in ANSI Z 358.1.  
1294
- 1295 o. Commerce – Trade or transportation in the jurisdiction of the United States within a single  
1296 state; between a place in a state and a place outside of the state; that affects trade or  
1297 transportation between a place in a state and place outside of the state; or on a United States-  
1298 registered aircraft.  
1299
- 1300 p. Designated Area – An area which may be used for work with a Particularly Hazardous  
1301 Substance (see definition “Particularly Hazardous Substance”). A designated area may be

- 1302 the entire work area, a location in the work area, or a device such as the laboratory fume  
1303 hood in the work area.  
1304
- 1305 q. Designated Sash Position – The maximum open area of the laboratory fume hood face that  
1306 achieves the desired face velocity and may be used when working with hazardous chemicals  
1307 in the fume hood. The Designated Sash Position is determined after fume hood testing to  
1308 confirm its ability to capture and contain airborne contaminants. The Designated Sash  
1309 Position is indicated of each fume hood along with the date when it was determined.  
1310
- 1311 r. Dose – The amount and duration that a chemical contacts a living system, resulting in an  
1312 exposure.  
1313
- 1314 s. Drench Hose – A supplemental device consisting of a flexible hose connected to a flushing  
1315 fluid supply and used to provide fluid to irrigate and flush face and body areas; drench hoses  
1316 shall not replace emergency eyewash equipment or emergency showers.  
1317
- 1318 t. Emergency – A chemical exposure, release, or spill for which:  
1319
- 1320 (1) The chemical exposure, release, or spill creates a safety or health hazard condition that is  
1321 immediately dangerous to employees and covered associates, property, or the  
1322 environment; or,  
1323
- 1324 (2) The response effort requires emergency responders from outside the immediate release  
1325 area.  
1326
- 1327 u. Emergency Eyewash Equipment – An eyewash, an eye/face wash, or a combination unit  
1328 containing at least one eyewash or eye/face wash component, as defined in ANSI Z 358.1.  
1329
- 1330 v. Emergency Responder – Any employee, covered associate, or other personnel who performs  
1331 emergency response<sup>16</sup> procedures.  
1332
- 1333 w. Emergency Shower – An emergency shower or a combination unit containing at least one  
1334 emergency shower component, as defined in ANSI Z 358.1.  
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<sup>16</sup> Responses to incidental releases of hazardous substances where the substance can be absorbed, neutralized, or otherwise controlled at the time of release by employees or covered associates in the immediate release area, or by maintenance personnel, are not considered to be emergency responses within the scope of 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response*. Responses to releases of hazardous substances where there is no potential safety or health hazard (i.e., fire, explosion, or chemical exposure) are not considered to be emergency responses.

- 1336 x. Exposure or Exposed – An employee is subjected in the course of employment to a chemical  
1337 that is a physical or health hazard, and includes potential (e.g. accidental or possible)  
1338 exposure. "Subjected" in terms of health hazards includes any route of entry (e.g. inhalation,  
1339 ingestion, skin contact or absorption.  
1340
- 1341 y. Exposure Limit – A value that represents the maximum concentration over a specified period  
1342 of time that a worker may be exposed to a particular chemical, published by:  
1343
- 1344 (1) The American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) in  
1345 “Threshold Limit Values and Biological Exposure Indices (current version); or  
1346
- 1347 (2) The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in “NIOSH  
1348 Recommendations for Occupational Health Standards” (current version); or  
1349
- 1350 (3) The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) in 29 CFR Part 1910,  
1351 Subpart Z.  
1352
- 1353 z. Germ Cell Mutagenicity (HCS2012) – A *mutation* is defined as a permanent change in the  
1354 amount or structure of the genetic material in a cell. The term mutation applies both to  
1355 heritable genetic changes that may be manifested at the phenotypic level and to the  
1356 underlying DNA modifications when known (including, for example, specific base pair  
1357 changes and chromosomal translocations). The term *mutagenic* and *mutagen* will be used for  
1358 agents giving rise to an increased occurrence of mutations in populations of cells and/or  
1359 organisms. The more general terms *genotoxic* and *genotoxicity* apply to agents or processes  
1360 which alter the structure, information content, or segregation of DNA, including those which  
1361 cause DNA damage by interfering with normal replication processes, or which in a non-  
1362 physiological manner (temporarily) alter its replication. Genotoxicity test results are usually  
1363 taken as indicators for mutagenic effects.  
1364
- 1365 aa. GL (General License) – A license provided by regulation that grants authority to a person for  
1366 certain activities involving byproduct material, source material, or SNM and is effective  
1367 without the filing of an application with the NRC or the issuance of a licensing document to a  
1368 particular person. See 10 CFR 31, 40, and 70, and the applicable license for authorizations,  
1369 limitations, and restrictions.  
1370
- 1371 bb. Hazard Analysis and Control – The process of defining the scope of the work; identifying  
1372 and analyzing the hazards; identifying and implementing controls to mitigate the hazards;  
1373 performing work within controls; and continually gathering information on the adequacy of  
1374 controls and taking actions to improve the safety of the work (NIST S 7101.20, *Work and  
1375 Worker Authorization Based on Hazard Reviews*).

- 1376 cc. Hazardous Chemical – Any chemical which is classified as a physical hazard or a health  
1377 hazard, a simple asphyxiant, combustible dust, pyrophoric gas, or hazard not otherwise,  
1378 classified in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200, *Hazard Communication*.  
1379
- 1380 dd. Hazardous Chemical Transport Vehicles – Government-owned, cargo-carrying vehicles (e.g.,  
1381 automobiles, vans, tractors, trucks, semitrailers, tank cars or rail cars) used for the  
1382 transportation of hazardous chemical cargo. Hazardous chemical transport vehicles shall not  
1383 be privately-owned vehicles or public transportation vehicles.  
1384
- 1385 ee. Hazardous Waste – Hazardous wastes are wastes that cause or significantly increase  
1386 mortality or serious irreversible or incapacitating reversible illness or that pose a substantial  
1387 present or potential hazard to human health or the environment when improperly managed.  
1388
- 1389 ff. Health Hazard – A chemical which is classified as posing one of the following hazardous  
1390 effects: acute toxicity (any route of exposure); skin corrosion or irritation; serious eye  
1391 damage or eye irritation; respiratory or skin sensitization; germ cell mutagenicity;  
1392 carcinogenicity; reproductive toxicity; specific target organ toxicity (single or repeated  
1393 exposure); or aspiration hazard. The criteria for determining whether a chemical is classified  
1394 as a health hazard are detailed in 29 CFR 1910.1200-Appendix A. Health hazard definitions  
1395 not appearing in this suborder may be found in NIST S 7101.59, *Chemical Hazard*  
1396 *Communication* and 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
1397
- 1398 gg. In Service – A term used to designate that a specific piece of “Commissioned” equipment  
1399 conforms to applicable design, performance, installation, and maintenance requirements.  
1400
- 1401 hh. Laboratory – For the purposes of this program, a facility where the “Laboratory Use” (see  
1402 definition below) of hazardous chemicals occurs. It is a workplace where relatively small  
1403 quantities of hazardous chemicals are used on a non-production basis.  
1404
- 1405 ii. Laboratory Scale – Scale of work in which the procedures/containers used for reactions,  
1406 transfers, and other handling of chemicals are designed to be easily and safely carried  
1407 out/manipulated by one person. “Laboratory Scale” excludes work whose purpose is to  
1408 produce commercial quantities of materials.  
1409
- 1410 jj. Laboratory-type Hood (Laboratory Fume Hood) – A device located in a laboratory, enclosed  
1411 on five sides with a movable sash or fixed partial enclosed on the remaining side. It is  
1412 constructed and maintained to draw air from the laboratory and to prevent or minimize the  
1413 escape of air contaminants into the laboratory, and allows chemical manipulations to be  
1414 conducted in the enclosure without insertion of any portion of the employee's body other than  
1415 hands and arms.

- 1416 kk. Laboratory Use – For the purposes of this program, use of hazardous chemicals in which all  
1417 of the following conditions are met:  
1418
- 1419 (1) Chemical manipulations are carried out on a "Laboratory Scale" (see definition above);  
1420
  - 1421 (2) Multiple chemical procedures or chemicals are used<sup>17</sup>;  
1422
  - 1423 (3) The procedures involved are not part of a production process, nor in any way simulate a  
1424 production process; and  
1425
  - 1426 (4) "Protective Laboratory Practices and Equipment" (see definition below) are available and  
1427 in common use to minimize the potential for employee exposure to hazardous chemicals.  
1428
- 1429 ll. LC RAM (Limited Control RAM) – RAM that is:  
1430
- 1431 (1) Byproduct material exempted under 10 CFR 30;  
1432
  - 1433 (2) Unimportant quantities of source material as per 10 CFR 40.13;  
1434
  - 1435 (3) RAM such as that described in 10 CFR 31.8, 10 CFR 40.22, and 10 CFR 70.19 that is not  
1436 part of a GL device;  
1437
  - 1438 (4) Incidentally-Activated RAM; or  
1439
  - 1440 (5) Any other RAM determined by the RSO to warrant some degree of control for RSP  
1441 purposes.  
1442
- 1443 mm. Median Lethal Concentration (LC50) – The concentration of a substance (expressed in  
1444 mg/m<sup>3</sup> or ppm), determined from exposure to the substance by inhalation, that is expected  
1445 to kill 50 percent of the animals exposed to the substance in a defined experimental animal  
1446 population for a defined exposure time.  
1447
- 1448 nn. Median Lethal Dose (LD50) – The dose of a substance (expressed in mg/m<sup>3</sup> or ppm), as  
1449 determined from exposure to the substance by any route other than inhalation, that is  
1450 expected to kill 50 percent of the animals exposed to the substance in a defined experimental  
1451 animal population for a defined exposure time.  
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<sup>17</sup> [OSHA LOI # 20164](#) describes that “Multiple chemical procedures or chemicals are used” means “using chemicals in laboratory procedures”, which includes scenarios involving a single chemical or single procedure.

- 1453 oo. Medical Consultation – A consultation which takes place between an employee and a  
1454 licensed physician for the purpose of determining what medical examinations or procedures,  
1455 if any, are appropriate in cases where a significant exposure to a hazardous chemical may  
1456 have taken place.  
1457
- 1458 pp. Mutagen – A chemical that causes permanent changes in the amount or structure of the  
1459 genetic material in a cell (see definition of “Germ Cell Mutagenicity (HCS2012)”).  
1460 Chemicals classified as mutagens in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1200 shall be considered  
1461 mutagens for the purposes of this suborder.  
1462
- 1463 qq. NIST Authority Having Jurisdiction (AHJ) – A Fire Protection Engineer in OSHE designated  
1464 by the Chief Safety Officer to enforce the NIST-adopted codes and standards relevant to fire,  
1465 electrical, and life safety on NIST-owned and operated sites.  
1466
- 1467 rr. NIST Chemical Hygiene Officer – An employee designated by the NIST Chief Safety  
1468 Officer and qualified by training and/or experience to provide technical guidance in the  
1469 development and implementation of the provisions of NIST Chemical Hygiene Plan (i.e.,  
1470 NIST S 7101.60: *Chemical Management*).  
1471
- 1472 ss. NIST Workplace – An establishment at one geographical location at which work-related  
1473 activities are conducted by NIST employees and covered associates. NIST workplaces  
1474 include sites owned and operated by NIST and by other organizations.  
1475
- 1476 tt. Out of Service – A term used to designate that a specific piece of “Commissioned”  
1477 equipment does not conform to applicable design, performance, installation, and maintenance  
1478 requirements and therefore shall not be used.  
1479
- 1480 uu. Package – Any packaging plus its contents.  
1481
- 1482 vv. Packaging – A receptacle and any other components or materials necessary for the receptacle  
1483 to perform its containment function in conformance with the minimum packing requirements  
1484 in 49 CFR Part 171-180.  
1485
- 1486 ww. Particularly Hazardous Substance (PHS) – A chemical that is particularly hazardous to an  
1487 exposed employee or covered associate and meets any of the following definitions: acute  
1488 toxicity, carcinogenicity, germ cell mutagenicity, reproductive toxicity, respiratory or skin  
1489 sensitization, select carcinogen, or specific target organ toxicity-single exposure (See  
1490 definitions and CMP SWP for Particularly Hazardous Substances).  
1491

- 1492 xx. Permissible Exposure Limit (PEL) – Exposure limits published by the Occupational Safety  
1493 and Health Administration (OSHA) in 29 CFR Part 1910, Subparts G and Z.  
1494
- 1495 yy. Personal Wash Unit – A supplementary device that supports plumbed and/or self-contained  
1496 units, by delivering immediate flushing fluid to the eyes or body.  
1497
- 1498 zz. Physical Hazard – A chemical that is classified as posing one of the following hazardous  
1499 effects: explosive; flammable (gases, aerosols, liquids, or solids); oxidizer (liquid, solid or  
1500 gas); self-reactive; pyrophoric (liquid or solid); self-heating; organic peroxide; corrosive to  
1501 metal; gas under pressure; or in contact with water emits flammable gas. The criteria for  
1502 determining whether a chemical is classified as a physical hazard are detailed in 29 CFR  
1503 1910.1200-Appendix B. Physical hazard definitions not appearing in this suborder may be  
1504 found in NIST S 7101.59, *Chemical Hazard Communication* and 29 CFR 1910.1200.  
1505
- 1506 aaa. Plumbed Equipment – Equipment connected to building plumbing.  
1507
- 1508 bbb. Pre-Transportation Function – Any hazardous material, package, pre-transportation  
1509 function as described in 49 CFR 171, which includes but is not limited to: determining the  
1510 material’s hazard class, selecting the packaging, filling a package, securing the closure of a  
1511 filled or partially-filled package, marking a package, labeling a package,  
1512 preparing/reviewing a shipping paper for a package, certifying a hazardous material or  
1513 package is in proper condition for transportation, and providing/maintaining emergency  
1514 response information for the package.  
1515
- 1516 ccc. Protective Laboratory Practices and Equipment – Those laboratory procedures, practices and  
1517 equipment accepted by laboratory health and safety experts as effective, or that the  
1518 employer can show to be effective, in minimizing the potential for employee exposure to  
1519 hazardous chemicals.  
1520
- 1521 ddd. RAM (Radioactive Material) – Material permitted at NIST Gaithersburg under SNM-362, a  
1522 GL, or as LC RAM.  
1523
- 1524 eee. Recommended Exposure Limits (RELs) – Exposure limits published by the National  
1525 Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) in “NIOSH Recommendations for  
1526 Occupational Health Standards” (current version).  
1527
- 1528 fff. Release – Any spilling, leaking, pumping, pouring, emitting, emptying, discharging,  
1529 injecting, escaping, leaching, dumping, or disposing into the environment, including the  
1530 abandonment or discarding of barrels, containers, and other closed receptacles containing

- 1531 any hazardous substance or pollutant or contaminant except vehicle emissions, application  
1532 of fertilizer, and permitted releases.  
1533
- 1534 ggg. Reproductive Toxicity (HCS2012) – Adverse effects on sexual function and fertility in adult  
1535 males and females, as well as adverse effects on development of the offspring. Some  
1536 reproductive toxic effects cannot be clearly assigned to either impairment of sexual function  
1537 and fertility or to developmental toxicity. Nonetheless, chemicals with these effects shall be  
1538 classified as reproductive toxicants. Adverse effects on sexual function and fertility means  
1539 any effect of chemicals that interferes with reproductive ability or sexual capacity. This  
1540 includes, but is not limited to, alterations to the female and male reproductive system,  
1541 adverse effects on onset of puberty, gamete production and transport, reproductive cycle  
1542 normality, sexual behavior, fertility, parturition, pregnancy outcomes, premature  
1543 reproductive senescence, or modifications in other functions that are dependent on the  
1544 integrity of the reproductive systems. Adverse effects on development of the offspring  
1545 means any effect of chemicals which interferes with normal development of the conceptus  
1546 either before or after birth, which is induced during pregnancy or results from parental  
1547 exposure. These effects can be manifested at any point in the life span of the organism. The  
1548 major manifestations of developmental toxicity include death of the developing organism,  
1549 structural abnormality, altered growth and functional deficiency. Adverse effects on or via  
1550 lactation are also included in reproductive toxicity.  
1551
- 1552 hhh. Reproductive toxins – A chemical that affects the reproductive capabilities including  
1553 adverse effects on sexual function and fertility in adult males and females, as well as  
1554 adverse effects on the development of the offspring (see definition of “Reproductive  
1555 Toxicity (HCS2012)”). Chemicals classified as reproductive toxins in accordance with the  
1556 29 CFR 1910.1200 shall be considered reproductive toxins for purposes of this suborder.  
1557
- 1558 iii. Respiratory or Skin Sensitization (HCS2012) – *Respiratory sensitizer* means a chemical that  
1559 will lead to hypersensitivity of the airways following inhalation of the chemical. *Skin  
1560 sensitizer* means a chemical that will lead to an allergic response following skin contact.  
1561
- 1562 jjj. Safety Data Sheet (SDS) – Written or printed material concerning a hazardous chemical that  
1563 is prepared in accordance with paragraph (g) of 29 CFR 1910.1200, *Hazard  
1564 Communication*.  
1565
- 1566 kkk. Select Carcinogen – Any substance which meets one of the following criteria:  
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- 1568 (1) It is regulated by OSHA as a carcinogen; or  
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- 1570 (2) It is listed under the category, "known to be carcinogens," in the Annual Report on  
1571 Carcinogens published by the National Toxicology Program (NTP) (latest edition); or  
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- 1573 (3) It is listed under Group 1 ("carcinogenic to humans") by the International Agency for  
1574 Research on Cancer Monographs (IARC) (latest editions); or  
1575
- 1576 (4) It is listed in either Group 2A or 2B by IARC or under the category "reasonably  
1577 anticipated to be carcinogens" by NTP and causes statistically significant tumor incidence  
1578 in experimental animals in accordance with any of the following criteria:  
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- 1580 (a) After inhalation exposure of 6-7 hours per day, 5 days per week, for a significant  
1581 portion of a lifetime to dosages of less than 10 mg/m<sup>3</sup>;  
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- 1583 (b) After repeated skin application of less than 300 (mg/kg of body weight) per week; or  
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- 1585 (c) After oral dosages of less than 50 mg/kg of body weight per day.  
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- 1587 **lll. Self-Contained Equipment** – Equipment as a stand-alone device (i.e., not connected to  
1588 building plumbing) containing flushing fluid.  
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- 1590 **mmm. Shipped Container** – Any container that leaves a NIST workplace.  
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- 1592 **nnn. Shall/Should/May** –  
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- 1594 (1) **Shall (Must or Will)**: Indicates that the performance of an item is mandatory.  
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- 1596 (2) **Should**: Indicates that the performance of an item is not mandatory, but the full  
1597 implications of not performing that item must be understood and either justified or  
1598 carefully weighed before choosing a different course.  
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- 1600 (3) **May**: Indicates that the performance of an item is at the discretion of the individual  
1601 responsible for the action.  
1602
- 1603 **ooo. SNM-362** – A NRC license authorizing acquisition, use, transfer, and disposal of any  
1604 chemical or physical form of the byproduct material specified in the license, but not  
1605 exceeding quantities specified in the license, for purposes authorized by the license.  
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- 1607 **ppp. Specific Target Organ Toxicity (Single Exposure) (HCS2012)** – Specific, non-lethal target  
1608 organ toxicity arising from a single exposure to a chemical. All significant health effects

1609 that can impair function, both reversible and irreversible, immediate and/or delayed and not  
1610 specifically addressed in HCS2012 (A.1 to A.7 and A.10).

1611  
1612 qq. Substance – Chemical elements and their compounds in the natural state or obtained by any  
1613 production process, including any additive necessary to preserve the stability of the product  
1614 and any impurities deriving from the process used, but excluding any solvent which may be  
1615 separated without affecting the stability of the substance or changing its composition.

1616  
1617 rrr. Supplemental Equipment – A drench hose or personal wash unit.

1618  
1619 sss. Threshold Limit Values – Exposure limits published by the American Conference of  
1620 Governmental Industrial Hygienists (ACGIH) in “Threshold Limit Values and Biological  
1621 Exposure Indices (current version).

1622  
1623 ttt. Transport – The movement of chemicals from one NIST workplace to another, or from one  
1624 work area to another at a single NIST workplace, including loading, unloading, or storage  
1625 incidental to that movement.

1626  
1627 uuu. Use – To package, handle, react, emit, extract, generate as a byproduct, or transfer.

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1629 vvv. Work Area – A defined space in a workplace where hazardous chemicals are produced or  
1630 used to which there is a reasonable likelihood that workers present in the space could be  
1631 exposed.

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1633 www. Workplace – See definition “NIST Workplace”.

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1636 **8. ACRONYMS**

1637 Acronyms common to all NIST OSH suborders can be found in Section 7 of NIST O  
1638 7101.00. The acronyms specific to this suborder are as follows:

1639  
1640 a. ACGIH – American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists

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1642 b. AIHA – American Industrial Hygienists Association

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1644 c. AHJ – Authority Having Jurisdiction

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1646 d. ANSI – American National Standards Institute

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- 1648 e. ASHRAE – American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air-Conditioning Engineers,  
1649 Inc.  
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- 1651 f. ATF – Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives  
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- 1653 g. CAS – Chemical Abstracts Service  
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- 1655 h. CFR – Code of Federal Regulations  
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- 1657 i. CGA – Compressed Gas Association  
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- 1659 j. CHO – Chemical Hygiene Officer  
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- 1661 k. CHP – Chemical Hygiene Plan  
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- 1663 l. CMP – Chemical Management Program  
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- 1665 m. DEA – Drug Enforcement Agency  
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- 1667 n. DHS – Department of Homeland Security  
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- 1669 o. DOT – Department of Transportation  
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- 1671 p. EPA – Environmental Protection Agency  
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- 1673 q. HCS – OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1200, *Hazard Communication in General Industry*  
1674
- 1675 r. HMR – Hazardous Materials Regulations  
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- 1677 s. HSI – Health and Safety Instruction  
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- 1679 t. IARC – International Agency for Research on Cancer  
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- 1681 u. LC50 – Median Lethal Concentration  
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- 1683 v. LD50 – Median Lethal Dose  
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- 1685 w. MSDS – Material Safety Data Sheet  
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- 1687 x. NFPA – National Fire Protection Association

- 1688 y. NIOSH – National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health  
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1690 z. NIST – National Institute of Standards and Technology  
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1692 aa. NTP – National Toxicology Program  
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1694 bb. OFPM – Office of Facilities and Property Management  
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1696 cc. OSHA – Occupational Safety and Health Administration  
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1698 dd. OSHE – Office of Safety, Health, and Environment  
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1700 ee. OU – Organizational Unit  
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1702 ff. PEL – Permissible Exposure Limit  
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1704 gg. PHS – Particularly Hazardous Substance  
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1706 hh. PHMSA – Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration  
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1708 ii. PPE – Personal Protective Equipment  
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1710 jj. SDS – Safety Data Sheet  
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1712 kk. SWP – Safe Work Practices  
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1714 ll. TLV – Threshold Limit Value published by ACGIH  
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1716 mm. TWA – Time Weighted Average

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1719 **9. RESPONSIBILITIES**

1720 Roles and responsibilities common to all NIST OSH suborders can be found in Section 8 of  
1721 NIST O 7101.00. The roles and responsibilities specific to this suborder are as follows:

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1723 a. OU Directors are responsible for:

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1725 (1) Establishing policies and procedures, as needed, for the requirements of this program to  
1726 be met as it applies to their employees and covered associates and to hazardous chemicals

- 1727 in their OU-assigned space and ensuring that those policies and procedures are  
1728 implemented; and  
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- 1730 (2) Ensuring subordinate managers have the authority, resources, and training needed to  
1731 implement OU-established policies and procedures.  
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- 1733 b. Employees and Covered Associates Whose Job Duties include Responding to Hazardous  
1734 Chemical Exposures, Releases, or Spills Not in their Immediate Work Area are responsible  
1735 for:  
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- 1737 (1) Maintaining and implementing emergency response procedures involving hazardous  
1738 chemicals in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and*  
1739 *Emergency Response*.  
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- 1741 c. NIST Chemical Hygiene Officer is responsible for:  
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- 1743 (1) Serving as the program manager for this program;  
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- 1745 (2) Establishing safety guidance, rules, and policies pertaining to chemical management;  
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- 1747 (3) Reviewing and evaluating this suborder at least annually and updating it when necessary  
1748 to ensure its effectiveness in protecting employees and covered associates from the  
1749 hazards of chemicals at NIST workplaces; and  
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- 1751 (4) Making this suborder available to employees, covered associates, and upon request.  
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- 1753 d. NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Group are responsible for:  
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- 1755 (1) Performing pre-transportation and transportation functions in accordance with the  
1756 requirements of this suborder.  
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- 1758 e. OFPM is responsible for:<sup>18</sup>  
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- 1760 (1) Coordinating with work area occupants in advance of performing work on emergency  
1761 equipment (plumbed eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination unit  
1762 components that are eyewash equipment or eye/face wash equipment, supplementary  
1763 equipment, and any building components that would affect the performance of such

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<sup>18</sup> The OFPM responsibilities described in this suborder apply only for NIST workplaces that are owned and operated by NIST. It is understood that OFPM contractors may perform some of these items. When that is the case, OFPM is responsible for ensuring that all applicable requirements are met.

1764 systems), ventilation equipment (ducted laboratory fume hoods, ducted special purpose  
1765 hoods, ducted laboratory containment devices, local exhaust ventilation systems, and any  
1766 building components that would affect the performance of such ventilation equipment),  
1767 or other facilities to obtain authorization to access the space, to understand the safety  
1768 requirements that must be met in that space, to ensure that all workers can be informed of  
1769 the expect impact to the performance of the emergency equipment and ventilation  
1770 equipment for the space during the work and take appropriate precautions to mitigate the  
1771 associated hazards during the work, and to ensure completion of the work in a timely  
1772 manner;

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1774 (2) Consulting with OSHE and OU representatives regarding equipment selection,  
1775 installation, and other safety requirements prior to procuring, installing, or modifying  
1776 plumbed emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment,  
1777 combination units, and supplemental equipment;

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1779 (3) Procuring plumbed emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment,  
1780 combination units, and supplemental equipment that have been certified in accordance  
1781 with ANSI Z 358.1;

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1783 (4) Performing or supervising all installations and modifications of plumbed emergency  
1784 showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination units, and  
1785 supplemental equipment in accordance with the performance and installation  
1786 requirements of ANSI Z 358.1;

1787  
1788 (5) Performing or supervising inspections of plumbed emergency showers, eyewash  
1789 equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination units, and supplemental equipment  
1790 during the commissioning process, prior to placing equipment “In Service”, and annually  
1791 thereafter to ensure “In Service” equipment conform with the performance and  
1792 installation requirements in accordance with ANSI Z 358.1;

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1794 (6) Ensuring that plumbed emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash  
1795 equipment, combination units, and supplemental equipment not meeting the performance  
1796 and installation requirements in accordance with ANSI Z 358.1 shall be “Out of Service”;

1797  
1798 (7) Performing or supervising all labeling, tagging, or marking of plumbed emergency  
1799 showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination units, and  
1800 supplemental equipment to indicate that the equipment is “In Service” or “Out of  
1801 Service”;

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- 1803 (8) Establishing, maintaining, and making available accurate records providing equipment  
1804 description (type, make, model), location (building, room, additional information),  
1805 installation data, commissioning data, maintenance/inspection data, and equipment status  
1806 (“In Service” or “Out of Service”) for plumbed emergency showers, eyewash equipment,  
1807 eye/face wash equipment, combination units, and supplemental equipment;  
1808
- 1809 (9) Consulting with OSHE and OU representatives regarding equipment selection,  
1810 equipment location, and additional safety requirements prior to the acquisition,  
1811 installation, or modification of local exhaust ventilation, ducted laboratory fume hoods,  
1812 ducted special purpose hoods, or other ducted containment devices;  
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- 1814 (10) Performing or supervising the installation or modification of all local exhaust  
1815 ventilation, laboratory ventilation, ducted laboratory fume hoods, ducted laboratory  
1816 special purpose hoods, or other ducted containment devices;  
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- 1818 (11) Ensuring that non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and ducted laboratory  
1819 special purpose hoods are designed, installed, commissioned, labeled, performance  
1820 tested, and maintained in accordance with ANSI/AIHA Z9.2 (most recent version);  
1821
- 1822 (12) Labeling, tagging, or marking non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and  
1823 ducted laboratory special purpose hoods meeting the installation, commissioning, and  
1824 performance testing requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.2 to indicate that the systems and  
1825 hoods are “In Service”;  
1826
- 1827 (13) Labeling, tagging, or marking non-laboratory local exhaust ventilation systems and  
1828 ducted laboratory special purpose hoods not meeting the installation, commissioning,  
1829 and performance testing requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.2 to indicate that the systems  
1830 and hoods are “Out of Service”;  
1831
- 1832 (14) Ensuring that laboratory ventilation, ducted laboratory fume hoods, and other ducted  
1833 laboratory containment devices are designed, installed, commissioned, labeled,  
1834 performance tested, and maintained in accordance with ANSI/AIHA Z9.5 (most recent  
1835 version);  
1836
- 1837 (15) Labeling, tagging, or marking ducted laboratory fume hoods and other ducted laboratory  
1838 containment devices meeting the installation, commissioning, and performance testing  
1839 requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.5 to indicate that the devices are “In Service”;  
1840
- 1841 (16) Labeling, tagging, or marking ducted laboratory fume hoods and other ducted laboratory  
1842 containment devices not meeting the installation, commissioning, and performance

- 1843 testing requirements of ANSI/AIHA Z9.5 to indicate that the devices are “Out of  
1844 Service”;
- 1845
- 1846 (17) Establishing, maintaining, and making available accurate records providing equipment  
1847 description (type, make, model), location (building, room, additional information), as-  
1848 built drawings, testing and balancing reports, testing/commissioning/certification data,  
1849 maintenance data, problems reported, modification or replacement data, and inspection  
1850 data for all local exhaust ventilation systems, ducted laboratory fume hoods, and other  
1851 ducted laboratory containment devices;
- 1852
- 1853 (18) Coordinating with work area occupants prior to performing any work (e.g., demolition,  
1854 renovation) to ensure that all hazardous chemicals and hazardous wastes have been  
1855 removed and that all visible residues have been cleaned;
- 1856
- 1857 (19) Coordinating with work area occupants prior to performing any work that may impact  
1858 the ventilation or other systems and negatively affect containment or control of the  
1859 hazardous chemicals in the work area;
- 1860
- 1861 (20) Coordinating construction, renovation, and demolition activities for work areas  
1862 involving the use the hazardous chemicals to ensure design review and approval has  
1863 been performed in a manner that ensures chemical work areas and equipment will be in  
1864 accordance with applicable regulations, codes, policies, safety considerations, and user  
1865 needs;
- 1866
- 1867 (21) Notifying building occupants of pending and in-progress construction, renovation, and  
1868 demolition for work areas involving hazardous chemicals;
- 1869
- 1870 (22) Performing or supervising the decommissioning of plumbed emergency showers,  
1871 eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination units, and supplemental  
1872 equipment; and
- 1873
- 1874 (23) Performing or supervising the decommissioning of ducted laboratory fume hoods,  
1875 laboratory special purpose hoods, or other containment devices and associated  
1876 ventilation systems.
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- 1878 f. Gaithersburg Fire Protection Group is responsible for:
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- 1880 (1) Maintaining and implementing emergency response procedures involving hazardous  
1881 chemicals in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and*  
1882 *Emergency Response*.

- 1883 g. OSHE is responsible for:  
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1885 (1) Providing the OSHE-provided training required by Section 6j;  
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1887 (2) Providing guidance regarding chemical management at a NIST workplace;  
1888  
1889 (3) Maintaining and supporting the implementation of procedures for hazardous chemical  
1890 disposal at sites owned and operated by NIST;  
1891  
1892 (4) Maintaining and implementing emergency response procedures involving hazardous  
1893 chemicals in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120, *Hazardous Waste Operations and*  
1894 *Emergency Response* at sites owned and operated by NIST;  
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1896 (5) Responding to reports of chemical odors, releases, and spills at sites owned and operated  
1897 by NIST;  
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1899 (6) Providing exposure determinations for employees;  
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1901 (7) Performing exposure monitoring and notifying employees of any monitoring results in  
1902 accordance with the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.1450(d), when applicable, and any  
1903 OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053), when applicable,  
1904 at sites owned and operated by NIST;  
1905  
1906 (8) Communicating to the responsible site occupational safety and health organization  
1907 NIST's exposure monitoring requirements at sites not owned and operated by NIST;  
1908  
1909 (9) Establishing, maintaining, transferring, and making available records in accordance with  
1910 29 CFR 1910.1020, *Access to Employee Exposure and Medical Records* of any  
1911 measurements taken to monitor chemical exposures and any medical consultations and  
1912 examinations, including tests or written opinions, when required by 29 CFR 1910.1450,  
1913 *Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories* or any OSHA  
1914 Chemical-Specific Health Standard (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053), when applicable;  
1915  
1916 (10) Advising OFPM and OU representatives regarding equipment selection, equipment  
1917 location, and additional safety requirements for the installation or modification of local  
1918 exhaust ventilation, ducted laboratory fume hoods, ducted special purpose hoods, other  
1919 ducted containment devices, emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash  
1920 equipment, combination units, and supplemental equipment at sites owned and operated  
1921 by NIST;  
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1923 (11) Communicating to the responsible site occupational safety and health organization  
1924 NIST's requirements regarding equipment selection, equipment location, and additional  
1925 safety requirements for the installation or modification of local exhaust ventilation,  
1926 ducted laboratory fume hoods, ducted special purpose hoods, other ducted containment  
1927 devices, emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment,  
1928 combination units, and supplemental equipment at sites not owned and operated by  
1929 NIST; and

1930  
1931 (12) Reviewing the responsible site occupational safety and health organization's  
1932 requirements regarding equipment selection, equipment location, and additional safety  
1933 requirements for the installation or modification of local exhaust ventilation, ducted  
1934 laboratory fume hoods, ducted special purpose hoods, other ducted containment devices,  
1935 emergency showers, eyewash equipment, eye/face wash equipment, combination units,  
1936 and supplemental equipment at sites not owned and operated by NIST.

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1938 h. NIST AHJ is responsible for:

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1940 (1) Reviewing and approving the storage of hazardous chemicals in service galleys and  
1941 outdoor locations.

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## 1944 **10. AUTHORITIES**

1945 There are no authorities specific to this suborder alone. For authorities applicable to all NIST OSH  
1946 suborders, see section 9 of NIST O 7101.00: Occupational Safety and Health Management System.

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## 1949 **11. DIRECTIVE OWNER**

1950 Chief Safety Officer

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## 1953 **12. APPENDICES**

1954 A. Revision History

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B. Hazardous Chemical Storage

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C. Regulated Chemicals and Processes

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D. Chemical Hazard References

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E. Chemical Exposure Limits

- 1963 F. 29 CFR 1910.1450 - Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories
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- 1965 G. Chemicals Regulated in OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards
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### Appendix A. Revision History

Revision No.	Approval Date	Effective Date	Brief Description of Change; Rationale
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0	03/29/2017	03/29/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• None – Initial document</li> </ul>
1	06/12/2017	06/12/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Format revisions to the Table of Contents, Section 6, Appendix B, and Appendix D to ensure consist font, bullets, and indents.</li> </ul>
2	11/08/2017	11/08/2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Section 6b(1)(a)(i) was revised to require NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Group personnel who receive hazardous chemical packages from transporters to have met the applicable HMR training requirements.</li> <li>• Section 6b(3)(b)(iii) was added to require NIST Gaithersburg Package Services personnel who transport hazardous chemical packages from the NIST workplace shall perform transportation functions in accordance with the HMR for the specific hazardous chemical packages being transported.</li> <li>• Section 6j was revised to clarify training that NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Personnel who perform hazardous chemical pre-transportation, transportation, or receiving functions must meet applicable HMR information and training requirements.</li> <li>• Section 6j was revised to clarify training requirements for receivers of hazardous chemical packages who are not Gaithersburg Package Services Group personnel.</li> <li>• Section 6j was revised to remove the training requirements for personnel (other than NIST Gaithersburg Package Services Personnel) who transport hazardous chemical packages from a NIST workplace because such training content is to be provided in the general program training course.</li> <li>• Section 8 was revised to include additional acronyms utilized in the suborder.</li> </ul>
3	01/08/2021	01/08/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Updated CFR and Suborder links.</li> </ul>

4	04/15/25	04/15/25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sections 6c and 6g were revised to clarify that appliances located in administrative spaces or common areas (<i>e.g.</i>, offices, conference rooms, break rooms, coffee rooms, hallways, stairwells, <i>etc.</i>) shall not be used for cleaning, storing, or otherwise processing laboratory equipment (<i>e.g.</i>, chemicals, containers, glassware, samples, <i>etc.</i>) or potentially contaminated materials.</li> </ul>
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**Appendix B. Hazardous Chemical Storage**

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This appendix provides a chemical compatibility chart and additional information that may be used as general guidance when determining safe storage conditions for the hazardous chemicals at NIST workplaces. The information provided in this appendix should be used in conjunction with specific storage information provided by the chemical manufacturer on the associated product-specific safety data sheet, in information provided by the resources listed below, and additional requirements provided in Section 6c.

**1. Chemical Compatibility**

**a. General**

- (1) Hazardous chemicals should be stored in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommended storage conditions described on the product-specific container label and safety data sheet.
- (2) Hazardous chemicals should be stored according to the compatibility storage group and not alphabetically (see Table 1). Alphabetical storage, if desired, should only be used within a specific compatibility storage group.

**Table 1 – Chemical Compatibility Chart**

	Acid, Inorganic (Non-Oxidizer)	Acid, Inorganic (Oxidizer)	Acid, Organic	Base, Inorganic	Base, Organic	Flammable Liquids	Oxidizers	Peroxides / Peroxidizables	Pyrophorics	Water-Reactives
Acid, Inorganic (Non-Oxidizer)		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Acid, Inorganic (Oxidizer)	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Acid, Organic	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Base, Inorganic	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X	X
Base, Organic	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Flammable Liquids	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X
Oxidizers	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
Peroxides / Peroxidizables	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
Pyrophorics	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		
Water-Reactives	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		

*Note: An “X” indicates an incompatibility between storage groups.*

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- (3) Hazardous chemicals should be stored in secondary containment (e.g., a spill tray or bin, comprised of material that is compatible with the chemical to be contained and of sufficient volume capacity to contain the volume of the largest container being stored within).
- (4) Hazardous chemicals in a specific secondary containment bin or tray shall be from the same compatibility storage group (see Table 1).
- (5) Incompatible chemicals should not be stored within the same cabinet; however, acids may be stored together in the same cabinet provided that each acid type (e.g., Inorganic

- 2001 Acid (Oxidizer)) has been segregated from the other types (e.g., Inorganic Acid, Organic  
 2002 Acid) and stored in its own secondary containment bin or tray.
- 2003 (6) Incompatible chemicals, when stored in containers having a capacity  $\geq 5$  lb (2.268 kg) or  
 2004  $\frac{1}{2}$  gal (1.89 L), shall be segregated by employing one of the following methods:
- 2005 (a) A distance of  $\geq 20$  ft (6.1m);
- 2006 (b) A non-combustible partition extending  $\geq 18$  in. (457 mm) above and to the sides of  
 2007 the stored chemical or by a noncombustible partition that interrupts the line of sight  
 2008 between the incompatible chemicals;
- 2009 (c) Storing liquid and solid chemicals in approved storage cabinets dedicated to specific  
 2010 chemical compatibility classes; or
- 2011 (d) Storing compressed gases in approved gas cabinets or exhausted enclosures dedicated  
 2012 to specific chemical compatibility classes.

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2014 **2. Resources for Chemical Reactivity and Storage Information**

2015 a. Electronic Materials

- 2016 (1) [NOAA's Chemical Reactivity Worksheet](#) - A free program that allows users to  
 2017 investigate the reactivity of substances or mixtures of substances. CRW includes a  
 2018 database of reactivity information for more than 5,000 common hazardous chemicals and  
 2019 offers a way to virtually "mix" chemicals—as well as water—to discover what chemical  
 2020 combinations are reactive. CRW also allows users to build a "Custom Chemical  
 2021 Database" containing all the unique materials that are present at a particular facility.

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## Appendix C. Regulated Chemicals and Processes

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2050 This appendix provides information regarding a number of U.S. regulatory agencies and  
2051 associated regulations that may pertain to the use of hazardous chemicals at NIST workplaces.

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2053 During the hazard review process for a specific activity involving hazardous chemicals at a NIST  
2054 workplace, each hazardous chemical and activity shall be identified accurately and completely to  
2055 ensure that each hazardous chemical shall be procured, used, stored, and disposed in compliance  
2056 with any applicable regulatory requirements.

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2058 Hazardous chemicals that may have specific regulatory requirements include OSHA Regulated  
2059 Substances, DEA Controlled Substances and Listed Chemicals, DHS Chemicals of Interest, EPA  
2060 Extremely Hazardous Substances, EPA Ozone Depleting Chemicals, EPA Pesticides, EPA Toxic  
2061 Release Inventory, ATF Explosives, and ATF Alcohol (Denatured, Tax-Exempt).

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### 2063 1. OSHA Regulated Substances

2064 OSHA has numerous standards that govern the use of chemical substances in the workplace. An  
2065 OSHA regulated substance is a substance that specifically is listed in any OSHA standard by  
2066 chemical name, by process, or applicability as specified in any OSHA standard. The following is  
2067 a representative list of each standard. The list is not intended to be comprehensive and therefore  
2068 all OSHA standards should be consulted in their entirety prior to performing the use or handling  
2069 of any hazardous chemical in the workplace. Appendix G of this suborder should be consulted  
2070 regarding chemicals regulated in by OSHA in 29 CFR 1910 Subpart Z, Chemical-Specific  
2071 Health Standards (29 CFR 1910.1001-1053).

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2073 a. 29 CFR 1910 Subpart H – Hazardous Materials

2074 (1) [29 CFR 1910.101 - Compressed gases \(general requirements\).](#)

2075 (2) [29 CFR 1910.102 - Acetylene.](#)

2076 (3) [29 CFR 1910.103 - Hydrogen.](#)

2077 (4) [29 CFR 1910.104 - Oxygen.](#)

2078 (5) [29 CFR 1910.105 - Nitrous oxide.](#)

2079 (6) [29 CFR 1910.106 - Flammable liquids.](#)

2080 (7) [29 CFR 1910.107 - Spray finishing using flammable and combustible materials.](#)

2081 (8) [29 CFR 1910.109 - Explosives and blasting agents.](#)

2082 (9) [29 CFR 1910.110 - Storage and handling of liquefied petroleum gases.](#)

2083 (10) [29 CFR 1910.111 - Storage and handling of anhydrous ammonia.](#)

2084 (11) [29 CFR 1910.119 - Process safety management of highly hazardous chemicals.](#)

2085 (12) [29 CFR 1910.120 - Hazardous waste operations and emergency response.](#)

2086 (13) [29 CFR 1910.123 - Dipping and coating operations: Coverage and definitions.](#)

2087 (14) [29 CFR 1910.124 - General requirements for dipping and coating operations.](#)

- 2088 (15) [29 CFR 1910.125 - Additional requirements for dipping and coating operations that use](#)  
 2089 [flammable liquids or liquids with flashpoints greater than 199.4 \\*F \(93 \\*C\).](#)  
 2090 (16) [29 CFR 1910.126 - Additional requirements for special dipping and coating operations.](#)  
 2091 b. 29 CFR 1910 Subpart M – Compressed Gas and Compressed Air Equipment  
 2092 (1) [29 CFR 1910.169 - Air receivers.](#)  
 2093 c. 29 CFR 1910 Subpart Q – Welding, Cutting, and Brazing  
 2094 (1) [29 CFR 1910.252 - General requirements.](#)  
 2095 (2) [29 CFR 1910.253 - Oxygen-fuel gas welding and cutting.](#)  
 2096 (3) [29 CFR 1910.254 - Arc welding and cutting.](#)  
 2097 (4) [29 CFR 1910.255 - Resistance welding.](#)  
 2098 d. 29 CFR 1910 Subpart Z – Toxic and Hazardous Substances  
 2099 (1) [29 CFR 1910.1000 - Air contaminants.](#) Tables [Z-1](#), [Z-2](#), or [Z-3](#).  
 2100 (2) [29 CFR 1910.1001 - Asbestos.](#)  
 2101 (3) [29 CFR 1910.1003 - 13 Carcinogens.](#)  
 2102 (4) [29 CFR 1910.1017 - Vinyl chloride.](#)  
 2103 (5) [29 CFR 1910.1018 - Inorganic arsenic.](#)  
 2104 (6) [29 CFR 1910.1025 - Lead.](#)  
 2105 (7) [29 CFR 1910.1026 - Chromium \(VI\).](#)  
 2106 (8) [29 CFR 1910.1027 - Cadmium.](#)  
 2107 (9) [29 CFR 1910.1028 - Benzene.](#)  
 2108 (10) [29 CFR 1910.1029 - Coke oven emissions.](#)  
 2109 (11) [29 CFR 1910.1043 - Cotton dust.](#)  
 2110 (12) [29 CFR 1910.1044 - 1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane.](#)  
 2111 (13) [29 CFR 1910.1045 - Acrylonitrile.](#)  
 2112 (14) [29 CFR 1910.1047 - Ethylene oxide.](#)  
 2113 (15) [29 CFR 1910.1048 - Formaldehyde.](#)  
 2114 (16) [29 CFR 1910.1050 - Methylenedianiline.](#)  
 2115 (17) [29 CFR 1910.1051 - 1,3-Butadiene.](#)  
 2116 (18) [29 CFR 1910.1052 - Methylene chloride.](#)  
 2117 (19) [29 CFR 1910.1053 - Respirable crystalline silica.](#)  
 2118 (20) [29 CFR 1910.1200 - Hazard communication.](#)  
 2119 (21) [29 CFR 1910.1201 - Retention of DOT markings, placards, and labels.](#)  
 2120 (22) [29 CFR 1910.1450 - Occupational exposure to hazardous chemicals in laboratories.](#)  
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**2. DEA Controlled Substances (Schedules I-V) and Listed Chemicals (Lists I and II)**

2123 The DEA Controlled Substances Act ([21 USC Controlled Substances Act](#)) and FDA (21 CFR  
 2124 Chapter II, parts 1300-1321) – apply to activities such as manufacturing, distributing, importing,  
 2125 exporting, dispensing, and performing research or chemical analysis when such activities involve  
 2126 any controlled substance or any listed chemical. A “controlled substance” is any substance that  
 2127 appears in schedule I-V of [21 USC Section 812](#) and 21 CFR 1308. A “listed chemical” is any

2128 chemical that appears on list I or list II in [21 USC Section 802](#) and 21 CFR 1310.02 (a) or 21  
2129 CFR 1310.02 (b).

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2131 The following information is a brief summary of the some of the requirements. This information  
2132 is not intended to be comprehensive and therefore the entire regulations/standards shall be  
2133 consulted prior to acquiring or performing any activity with a controlled substance or listed  
2134 chemical.

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2136 a. Controlled Substances:
- 2137 (1) 21 CFR 1300-1308 provides requirements for activities such as manufacturing,  
2138 distributing, importing, exporting, dispensing, and performing research or chemical  
2139 analysis involving any controlled substance listed in schedules I-V and include:
    - 2140 (a) Submitting DEA Form-225 to and registering with the local DEA office prior to  
2141 performing any activity (listed above) with controlled substances (more information  
2142 at [DEA Diversion Control Program](#), (800) 882-9539, or 21 CFR 1321.01),
    - 2143 (b) Submitting separate registrations for each principal place of business and each group  
2144 of activities,
    - 2145 (c) Prohibiting performance of any activity requiring registration until after the  
2146 application for registration has been granted and a Certificate of Registration has been  
2147 issued, and
    - 2148 (d) Security,
      - 2149 i. Effective controls and procedures shall be provided to guard against theft and  
2150 diversion;
      - 2151 ii. Controlled substances shall be secured as prescribed for each schedule I-V (see 21  
2152 CFR 1301.71-77), which may include requirements for:
        - 2153 (i) Storage, use, limiting access, reporting suspicious orders, reporting theft or  
2154 loss, shipping, distributing, acceptance of delivery, and personnel restrictions.
    - 2155 (e) Employee screening,
    - 2156 (f) Employee responsibility to report drug diversion,
    - 2157 (g) Labeling (see 21 CFR 1302),
    - 2158 (h) Quotas (production, procurement, manufacturing) and inventory allowances (see 21  
2159 CFR 1303),
    - 2160 (i) Records and Reports of Registrants (see 21 CFR 1304)
      - 2161 i. Inventory (General)
        - 2162 (i) Shall maintain a complete and accurate record of all controlled substances on  
2163 hand, maintain a separate inventory for each registered location and each  
2164 independent activity, and be taken initially then biennially and whenever a  
2165 substance in inventory has been added to the controlled substance list.
      - 2166 ii. Inventory (Researchers)

- 2167 (i) Shall maintain an inventory that meets the general requirements above and  
2168 contains:  
2169 1. A record for each controlled substance in finished form in inventory shall  
2170 include:  
2171 a. The name of the substance, the finished form of the substance, the  
2172 number of units or volume of finished form in commercial container,  
2173 and the number of commercial containers of such finished form; and,  
2174 2. A record for each controlled substance not in finished form in inventory  
2175 shall include:  
2176 a. The name of the substance, the total quantity of the substance, the  
2177 reason for maintaining the substance, and whether the substance is  
2178 capable of use in manufacture of a controlled substance in finished  
2179 form.  
2180 3. Records shall be maintained to include:  
2181 a. The name of the substance, each finished form of the substance, the  
2182 number of units of finished form and/or commercial containers  
2183 acquired from other persons (including the date of and number of units  
2184 and/or commercial containers in each acquisition to inventory and the  
2185 name address and DEA registration number of the person from whom  
2186 the units were acquired), the number of commercial containers  
2187 distributed to other persons (including the date of and number of  
2188 containers in each reduction from inventory and the name, address and  
2189 DEA registration number of the person to whom the containers were  
2190 distributed), the number of units of finished forms and/or commercial  
2191 containers distributed or disposed of in any other manner by the  
2192 registrant (including the date and manner of the distribution or  
2193 disposal, the name, address, and registration number of the person to  
2194 whom distributed, and the quantity in finished for distributed or  
2195 disposed).  
2196 iii. Inventory (Chemical Analysts)  
2197 (i) Shall maintain an inventory that meets the general requirements above and  
2198 contains:  
2199 1. A record for each controlled substance in finished form in inventory shall  
2200 include:  
2201 a. The name of the substance, the finished form of the substance, the  
2202 number of units or volume of finished form in commercial container,  
2203 and the number of commercial containers of such finished form; and,  
2204 2. A record for each controlled substance not in finished form in inventory  
2205 shall include:

- 2206 a. The name of the substance, the total quantity of the substance, the  
2207 reason for maintaining the substance, and whether the substance is  
2208 capable of use in manufacture of a controlled substance in finished  
2209 form.
- 2210 3. A record does not need to be maintained if:
- 2211 a. less than 1kg of a controlled substance on Schedule I or
- 2212 b. less than 20g of a hallucinogenic substance listed in Schedule I (other  
2213 than lysergic acid diethylamide) or
- 2214 c. less than 0.5g of lysergic acid diethylamide is on hand at the time of  
2215 inventory.
- 2216 4. Records shall be maintained to include:
- 2217 a. The name of the substance, the form or forms in which the substance is  
2218 received, imported, or manufactured by the registrant, the total number  
2219 of the forms received, imported or manufactured (including the date  
2220 and quantity of each receipt, importation, or manufacture and the  
2221 name, address, and registration number, if any, of the person from  
2222 whom the substance was received), and the quantity distributed,  
2223 exported, or destroyed in any manner (except quantities used in  
2224 chemical analysis or other laboratory work) by the registrant  
2225 (including the date and manner of distribution, exportation, or  
2226 destruction, and the name, address, and registration number, if any, of  
2227 each person to whom the substance was distributed or exported),
- 2228 b. Records of controlled substances used in chemical analysis or other  
2229 laboratory work are not required;
- 2230 c. Records relating to known or suspected controlled substances received  
2231 as evidentiary material for analysis are not required.
- 2232 5. No inventory is required for known or suspected controlled substances  
2233 received as evidentiary materials for analysis.
- 2234 (j) Ordering and distributing of controlled substances (see 21 CFR 1305)
- 2235 (k) Disposal of controlled substances (see 21 CFR 1307.21)
- 2236 i. Any person in possession of any controlled substance and desiring or required to  
2237 dispose of such substance shall request assistance from the Special Agent in  
2238 Charge of the Administration in the area (more information at [U. S. Department  
2239 of Justice, Drug Enforcement Administration, Office of Diversion Control](#), (800)  
2240 882-9539, or 21 CFR 1321.01), in which the person is located for authority and  
2241 instructions to dispose of such substance.
- 2242 (2) 21CFR 1301.18 provides specific requirements for research protocols for research with  
2243 controlled substances listed in schedule I under the following conditions:
- 2244 (a) To conduct research with control substances listed in Schedule I,
- 2245 (b) To conduct clinical investigation with controlled substances listed in Schedule I,

- 2246 (c) In the event that a registrant desires to increase the quantity of a controlled substance  
2247 used for an approved research project, and  
2248 (d) In the event that a registrant desires to conduct research beyond the variations  
2249 provided in the registrant's approved protocol.
- 2250 b. Listed Chemicals:
- 2251 DEA registration, record keeping and suspicious order reporting requirements apply  
2252 to importers, exporters, manufacturers, distributors and certain retailers of 41 listed  
2253 chemicals. The chemicals are found in two lists, [21 CFR 1310.02 Substance Covered](#)  
2254 [Listed Chemicals](#)).
- 2255 (1) For orders of chemicals listed at [21 CFR 1310.04 Maintenance of Records \(Listed](#)  
2256 [Chemicals](#)) above the threshold by volume or weight, a DEA registration shall be made.
- 2257 (2) Each regulated person who imports a listed chemical that meets or exceeds the threshold  
2258 quantities identified in the list above or is a listed chemical for which no threshold has  
2259 been established as identified in the list above, shall notify the Administrator of the  
2260 importation not later than 15 days before the transaction is to take place.
- 2261 (3) Reporting must be made by each regulated person to the Special Agent in Charge of the  
2262 DEA Divisional Office for the area in which the regulated person making the report is  
2263 located, as follows:
- 2264 (a) Any regulated transaction involving an extraordinary quantity of a listed chemical, an  
2265 uncommon method of payment or delivery, or any other circumstance that the  
2266 regulated person believes may indicate that the listed chemical will be used in  
2267 violation of this part.
- 2268 (b) Any proposed regulated transaction with a person whose description or other  
2269 identifying characteristic the Administration has previously furnished to the regulated  
2270 person.
- 2271 (c) Any unusual or excessive loss or disappearance of a listed chemical under the control  
2272 of the regulated person. The regulated person responsible for reporting a loss in-  
2273 transit is the supplier.
- 2274 (4) 21 CFR 1309 – applies to manufacturers, distributors, importers, and exporters of List I  
2275 chemicals.
- 2276 (a) Provides requirements to register with the DEA and defines the application,  
2277 registration, and security requirements.
- 2278 (5) 21 CFR 1310 – applies to any person who manufactures, distributes, imports, or exports a  
2279 listed chemical, a tableting machine, or an encapsulating machine or who acts as a broker  
2280 or trader for an international transaction involving a listed chemical, a tableting machine,  
2281 or an encapsulating machine to create/maintain records and file reports to the DEA.
- 2282 (a) Provides requirements for maintenance of records and reports, identifies thresholds  
2283 (weights or volume) below which records and reports may not be required (21 CFR  
2284 1310.04), identifies listed chemicals that may be exempted based concentration limits  
2285 (21 CFR 1310.12), identifies listed chemical products that may be exempted (21 CFR

2286 1310.16), and provides requirements for sales by Federal departments or agencies of  
2287 chemicals which could be used to manufacture controlled substances (21 CFR  
2288 1310.21).  
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2290 **3. EPA Ozone Depleting Chemicals**

- 2291 a. Phase-out of ozone-depleting substances is regulated in 40 CFR 82 -- Protection of  
2292 Stratospheric Ozone.
- 2293 (1) Class I substances are banned from production and import while Class II substances are  
2294 being phased out of production and importation.
- 2295 (2) The Stationary Refrigeration and Air-Conditioning section requires maintenance on  
2296 leaking equipment using ozone-depleting substances (ODS) be performed only by a  
2297 certified technician. The refrigerant shall not be vented but must be recovered and  
2298 recycled by an EPA-certified reclaimer, who shall report all recycled substances.  
2299 Refrigerators, air-conditioners and dehumidifiers must be checked for ozone-depleting  
2300 substances before excessing or disposal.
- 2301 (3) Containers of class I or class II substances shall be labeled with the words “Warning:  
2302 Contains XX, a substance which harms public health”, where XX is the name of the  
2303 ozone-depleting substance, in a clearly legible and conspicuous location on the container,  
2304 if the container is to be distributed or sold. If containers are received with such labeling,  
2305 the label shall not be removed or defaced while it contains the ODS.
- 2306 (4) The Exemption for Laboratory and Analytical Uses allows for continued production and  
2307 import of small amounts of class I ozone depleting substances for chemicals used in  
2308 essential laboratory and analytical methods. Distributors must:
- 2309 (a) Report quarterly the quantity received of each controlled substance from each  
2310 producer or importer;
- 2311 (b) Report quarterly the quantity of each controlled substance purchased by each  
2312 laboratory customer whose certification was previously provided to the distributor;  
2313 and
- 2314 (c) Maintain as records copies of certifications from laboratory customers provided.
- 2315 b. Laboratory customers purchasing controlled substances under the global laboratory essential-  
2316 use exemption must provide the producer, importer or distributor of the chemical with a one-  
2317 time-per-year certification  
2318 ([http://www.epa.gov/ozone/record/downloads/LabCert\\_ClassI.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/ozone/record/downloads/LabCert_ClassI.pdf)) for each controlled  
2319 substance, that the substance will be only be used for essential laboratory applications and  
2320 will not be resold or used in manufacturing.  
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2322 **4. EPA Pesticides**

- 2323 a. The Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act regulations, 40 CFR 150-189,  
2324 require:  
2325 (1) All pesticides must be used only as directed on the label;

- 2326 (2) All pesticide uses must be classified as “restricted” or “general”,  
2327 (3) Persons who buy or use restricted-use pesticides must be certified as competent pesticide  
2328 applicators or must be directly supervised by a certified applicator. Certification is issued  
2329 by each state for pesticide purchasers and/or applicators.  
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2331 **5. ATF Explosives**

2332 a. *27 CFR 555, Commerce in Explosives*

- 2333 (1) Provides definitions of explosive materials and requirements for interstate or foreign  
2334 commerce in explosive materials. It also provides licensing, permitting, storage and  
2335 reporting requirements for the use of explosives. Industrial and laboratory chemicals  
2336 which are intended for use as reagents and which are packaged and shipped pursuant to  
2337 U.S. Department of Transportation regulations, 49 CFR Parts 100 to 177, which do not  
2338 require explosives hazard warning labels are exempted from these regulations.  
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2340 **6. ATF Distribution and Use of Denatured Alcohol**

- 2341 a. *27 CFR 20, Distribution and Use of Denatured Alcohol* provides requirements regarding  
2342 obtaining a permit and ordering, receiving, storing, using, and disposing of specially  
2343 denatured alcohol. *27 CFR 20 (Subpart N)* describes requirements applicable to the United  
2344 States government.  
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2346 **7. ATF Tax-Free Alcohol**

- 2347 a. *27 CFR 22, Distribution and Use of Tax-Free Alcohol* provides requirements regarding  
2348 obtaining a permit and ordering, receiving, storing, using, and disposing of tax-free alcohol.  
2349 *27 CFR 22 (Subpart N)* describes requirements applicable to the United States government.  
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## Appendix D. Chemical Hazard References

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This appendix describes known references for use in collecting data regarding chemical identity, chemical and physical properties, health effects, and procedures for safe handling, storage, and disposal of hazardous chemicals. This list is not intended to be comprehensive.

### 1. Electronic Materials

- a. U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA)
  - (1) [OSHA Occupational Chemical Database](#) - A chemical database of 800 chemicals that is searchable by chemical name or CAS# and provides: chemical name, CAS#, synonyms, formula, physical properties, reactivity, emergency response, first aid, exposure limits, carcinogen designation, exposure control/PPE, exposure routes/symptoms, and target organs.
  - (2) [OSHA-Topic Page \(Carcinogens\)](#) - A webpage that provides information and links to webpages pertaining to standards for general industry, shipyard employment, the construction industry, and the identification, classification, and regulation of carcinogens.
- b. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), National Toxicology Program (NTP)
  - (1) [Report on Carcinogens](#) - A webpage that provides links to the chemicals classified by the NTP as “[known human carcinogens](#)” and “[reasonably anticipated human carcinogens](#)”.
- c. National Library of Medicine (NLM)
  - (1) [TOXNET: Toxicology Data Network](#) - Databases on toxicology, hazardous chemicals, environmental health, and toxic releases.
    - (a) [ChemIDplus Lite](#) - A free, web-based search system that provides access to structure and nomenclature authority files used for the identification of chemical substances cited in National Library of Medicine (NLM) databases, including the TOXNET® system. ChemIDplus also provides structure searching and direct links to many biomedical resources at NLM and on the Internet for chemicals of interest. The database contains over 390,000 chemical records, of which over 300,000 include chemical structures, and is searchable by Name, Synonym, CAS Registry Number, Molecular Formula, Classification Code, Locator Code, Structure, Toxicity, and/or Physical properties.
    - (b) [Hazardous Substances Data Bank \(HSDB\)](#) - A free web-based search HSDB for toxicology data files on the National Library of Medicine's (NLM) Toxicology Data Network (TOXNET®). It focuses on the toxicology of potentially hazardous chemicals. It is enhanced with information on human exposure, industrial hygiene, emergency handling procedures, environmental fate, regulatory requirements, nanomaterials, and related areas. All data are referenced and derived from a core set of books, government documents, technical reports and selected primary journal literature. HSDB is peer-reviewed by the Scientific Review Panel (SRP), a committee

- 2391 of experts in the major subject areas within the data bank's scope. HSDB is organized  
 2392 into individual chemical records, and contains over 5000 such records.
- 2393 (c) [TOXLINE](#) - A bibliographic database for toxicology, a varied science encompassing  
 2394 many disciplines. TOXLINE records provide bibliographic information covering the  
 2395 biochemical, pharmacological, physiological, and toxicological effects of drugs and  
 2396 other chemicals. It contains over 4 million bibliographic citations, most with abstracts  
 2397 and/or indexing terms and CAS Registry Numbers. TOXLINE references are drawn  
 2398 from various sources organized into component sub-files which are searched together  
 2399 but which may be used to limit searches as well.
- 2400 (d) [Development and Reproductive Toxicology \(DART\) Database](#) - A searchable  
 2401 database that references to developmental and reproductive toxicology literature.
- 2402 (e) [Genetic Toxicology Data Bank \(GENE-TOX\)](#) - A searchable database that contains  
 2403 peer-reviewed genetic toxicology test data for over 3,000 chemicals.
- 2404 (2) [WISER](#) - A system designed to assist first responders in hazardous material incidents.  
 2405 WISER provides a wide range of information on hazardous substances, including  
 2406 substance identification support, physical characteristics, human health information, and  
 2407 containment and suppression advice.
- 2408 (3) [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention-Chemical Safety](#) – A webpage that provides  
 2409 links to NIOSH databases and other resources.
- 2410 (4) [Agency for Toxic Substances & Disease Registry](#) - A database searchable by chemical  
 2411 name or CAS# that provides identity, hazard, exposure route, physical properties,  
 2412 incompatibilities, health effects, emergency response, and toxicology information.
- 2413 d. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH)
- 2414 (1) [NIOSH Pocket Guide to Chemical Hazards](#) - A source of general industrial hygiene  
 2415 information on several hundred chemicals/classes found in the work environment. Key  
 2416 data provided for each chemical/substance includes name (including synonyms/trade  
 2417 names), structure/formula, CAS/RTECS Numbers, DOT ID, conversion factors, exposure  
 2418 limits, IDLH, chemical and physical properties, measurement methods, personal  
 2419 protection, respirator recommendations, symptoms, and first aid.
- 2420 (2) [International Chemical Safety Cards \(ICSC\)](#) - IPCS cards summarize essential health and  
 2421 safety information on chemicals for their use at the "shop floor" level by workers and  
 2422 employers in factories, agriculture, construction and other work places.
- 2423 (3) [The Emergency Response Safety and Health Database \(ERSH-DB\)](#) – A searchable  
 2424 database developed by NIOSH for the emergency response community, The ERSH-DB  
 2425 contains accurate and concise information on high-priority chemical, biological and  
 2426 radiological agents that could be encountered by personnel responding to a terrorist  
 2427 event.
- 2428 e. American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists
- 2429 (1) [American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists \(ACGIH\) "Threshold Limit  
 2430 Values for Chemical Substances and Physical Agents in the Work Environment," \(latest](#)

- 2431 [edition](#)). - A guide for evaluation and control of workplace exposures to chemical  
 2432 substances and physical agents. Threshold Limit Value (TLV®) occupational exposure  
 2433 guidelines are recommended for more than 700 chemical substances and physical agents.  
 2434 There are more than 50 Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs®) that cover more than 80  
 2435 chemical substances. Chemical Abstract Service (CAS) registry numbers are listed for  
 2436 each chemical. Introductions to each section and appendices provide philosophical bases  
 2437 and practical recommendations for using TLVs® and BEIs®.
- 2438 f. U.S. Department of Transportation
- 2439 (1) [Emergency Response Guidebook](#) - Provides first responders with a go-to manual to help  
 2440 deal with hazmat accidents during the critical first 30 minutes.
- 2441 g. U.S. Department of Commerce, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- 2442 (1) [CAMEO Chemicals](#) - A database of hazardous chemicals that emergency responders and  
 2443 planners can use to get response recommendations and predict hazards, such as  
 2444 explosions or chemical fires.
- 2445 (2) [Chemical Reactivity Worksheet \(CRW\)](#) - A free program that allows users to investigate  
 2446 the reactivity of substances or mixtures of substances. CRW includes a database of  
 2447 reactivity information for more than 5,000 common hazardous chemicals and offers a  
 2448 way to virtually "mix" chemicals—as well as water—to discover what chemical  
 2449 combinations are reactive. CRW also allows users to build a "Custom Chemical  
 2450 Database" containing all the unique materials that are present at a particular facility.
- 2451 h. U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
- 2452 (1) [Emergency Management](#) - An EPA webpage that makes available numerous databases  
 2453 and tools related to emergency management. These resources are designed to help first  
 2454 responders address emergency situations, assist facilities in complying with emergency  
 2455 management regulations, and give the public an improved understanding of chemicals in  
 2456 their community.
- 2457 (2) [Searchable EPCRA/CERCLA/CAA §112\(r\) Consolidated List of Lists database](#) -An EPA  
 2458 webpage that allows searching by chemical name or CAS# to identify whether a chemical  
 2459 is regulated by the EPA under CERCLA, EPCRA, RCRA, and TRI.
- 2460 i. World Health Organization (WHO), International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC)
- 2461 (1) [Monographs on the Evaluation of Carcinogenic Risk for Humans](#) - A webpage that  
 2462 provides links to the chemicals classified by the IARC for carcinogenicity; links provides  
 2463 viewing of IARC classification lists by [alphabetical order](#), [CAS#](#), [classification group](#), or  
 2464 [cancer site](#).
- 2465 j. European Chemicals Agency
- 2466 (1) [Information on Chemicals](#) - A webpage that allows searching for chemical data regarding  
 2467 chemicals manufactured and imported into Europe. [C & L Inventory](#) provides a page that  
 2468 allows searching for chemical data, including substances that have a harmonized hazard  
 2469 classification in Europe. Data supporting a particular classification may be provided.  
 2470 [Registered Substances](#) provides a page that allows searching for chemical data pertaining

2471 to chemicals registered in Europe and search results include general information,  
 2472 classification and labeling, environmental data, physical and chemical properties data,  
 2473 guidance of safe use, reference substances, and toxicological data; toxicological data is  
 2474 presented with respect to hazard class and provided data may include information  
 2475 regarding study type, reliability, bibliography, and rationale supporting hazard  
 2476 classification derived from the study.

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 2484 Quincy, MA.
- 2485 d. *Guidelines for Laboratory Design: Health and Safety Considerations*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition,  
 2486 DiBerardinis, L. J., et al., John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, NY (2001).
- 2487 e. *Handbook of Laboratory Safety*, A. Keith Furr (editor), CRC Press Inc., Boca Raton, FL.
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 2489 Reinhold, New York, NY.
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 2491 National Research Council, National Academies Press, Washington, DC (2010).
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 2493 Quincy, MA (2008).
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 2495 Association, Quincy, MA (2011).
- 2496 j. *NFPA<sup>®</sup> 325M, Fire Hazard Properties of Flammable Liquids, Gases and Volatile Solids*,  
 2497 National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA (1984) (Note 1994 was the last edition;  
 2498 this data standard is no longer maintained by NFPA committee).
- 2499 k. *NFPA<sup>®</sup> 491M, Manual of Hazardous Chemical Reactions*, National Fire Protection  
 2500 Association, Quincy, MA (1991).
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 2502 Emergency Response*, National Fire Protection Association, Quincy, MA (2007).
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 2504 National Academy Press, Washington, DC (1983).
- 2505 n. *Prudent Practices in the Laboratory: Handling and Management of Chemical Hazards*,  
 2506 National Research Council, National Academies Press, Washington, DC (2011).
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 2508 Sons, Inc., Hoboken, NJ.
- 2509 p. *Safety in Academic Chemistry Laboratories*, American Chemical Society, Washington, DC  
 2510 (1990).

- 2511 q. *Safety in Academic Chemistry Laboratories*, 7<sup>th</sup> edition, American Chemical Society,  
2512 Washington, DC (2003)
- 2513 r. *Sax's Dangerous Properties of Industrial Materials*, Richard J. Lewis (editor), Wiley and  
2514 Sons, Inc., Hoboken, NJ.
- 2515 s. *Sittig's Handbook of Toxic and Hazardous Chemicals and Carcinogens*, Richard P.  
2516 Pohanish, Elsevier, Inc., Waltham, MA.
- 2517 t. *Threshold Limit Values (TLVs) and Biological Exposure Indices (BEIs)*, ACGIH, Cincinnati,  
2518 Ohio.
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## Appendix E. Chemical Exposure Limits

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This appendix provides information regarding chemical hazards, toxicity, exposure routes, and exposure limits that should be used as general guidance when determining the potential exposure routes, the applicable exposure limits, and the appropriate control measures that shall be implemented for activities involving the use of hazardous chemicals at NIST workplaces.

The hazards and toxicity presented by a hazardous chemical are similar but differing concepts. A chemical's hazards (health, physical, and/or environmental) are a result of the specific chemical's physical properties, reactivity, and ability to do harm to the physical environment or any exposed individuals; a chemical's hazards are intrinsic (i.e., always present) in the chemical, regardless of how the chemical is used by individuals. A chemical's toxicity refers to the chemical's ability to cause adverse effects to individuals as a result of chemical exposure; chemical exposure occurs when a chemical makes contact with the outer boundary of an organism (e.g., skin, lungs, gut). A chemical's human toxicity is directly related to the chemical's health hazards and may include systemic damage to human tissue (e.g. an organ system, such as the kidneys or liver), disruption of a biochemical process (e.g. blood-forming mechanism), or disturbance of an enzyme system at a site removed from the original exposure site.

Some chemicals are toxic by nature while others are metabolically or chemically converted into a more toxic form in the human body; conversely, some chemicals are converted to a less toxic form in the human body. Some toxic chemicals are toxic to specific cells or tissue while others are toxic to any cells or tissues contacted.

The risk of toxic effects to a worker is related to the inherent toxicity of the chemical and the extent of the worker exposure to the chemical, where the extent of exposure is defined by the route, duration, frequency, and dose of the exposure.

Worker exposure to chemicals may occur by any of the following four, exposure routes: inhalation, contact/absorption, ingestion, and injection. An understanding of potential, exposure routes and methods that can be taken to prevent exposure is imperative in minimizing the toxic effects from chemical exposures.

An exposure limit is a value that represents the maximum concentration over a specified period of time that a worker may be exposed to a particular chemical. Typically, exposure limits are not based on human exposure data but rather represent extrapolations from animal (e.g. rabbit, rat) exposure data to determine human exposure limits; additionally, dose-response relationships vary with respect to chemical and person exposed; therefore, it should not be assumed that a human exposure below a given exposure limit is safe.

2560 Exposure limits are provided as a time-weighted average (TWA), as a short-term exposure limit  
2561 (STEL), or as a ceiling value. TWA refers to a concentration that is measured over time,  
2562 typically defined as an average concentration measured during one work shift (8-10 hours) in one  
2563 work week (40 hours). STEL refers to a concentration that is measured over a shorter period of  
2564 time, typically defined as an average concentration measured over a short time (15 minutes) in  
2565 one work day (8-10 hours); a STEL is a 15-minute TWA and shall not be exceeded, even if the  
2566 8-10 hour TWA has not been exceeded. Ceiling value refers to a concentration that is measured  
2567 instantaneously; in the absence of instantaneously monitoring, a ceiling value may be assessed as  
2568 a STEL (a 15min. TWA); a ceiling value represents a concentration that shall at no time be  
2569 exceeded.

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2571 The following information identifies the three organizations that publish occupational exposure  
2572 limits in the United States and includes information on how to access each organization's  
2573 published exposure limits.

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2575 **1. American Conference of Industrial Hygienists Threshold Limit Values (ACGIH TLVs)**

2576 a. ACGIH TWA (8 hour TWA in 40-hour work week)

2577 b. ACGIH STEL (15 min. TWA)

2578 A complete list of ACGIH TLVs may be found by contacting OSHA or by purchasing the  
2579 latest edition of [\*Threshold Limit Values \(TLVs\) and Biological Exposure Indices \(BEIs\)\*](#).

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2581 **2. U.S. National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Recommended Exposure  
2582 Limits (NIOSH RELs)**

2583 a. NIOSH TWA (up to a 10 hour TWA in 40-hour work week)

2584 b. NIOSH Ceiling (15 min. TWA)

2585 A complete list of available NIOSH RELs may be found at [NIOSH Pocket Guide to  
2586 Chemical Hazards](#) by selecting the chemical of interest and reviewing the corresponding,  
2587 NIOSH REL data.

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2589 **3. U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration Permissible Exposure Limits  
2590 (OSHA PELs) and Action Levels**

2591 a. OSHA TWA (8 hour TWA in 40-hour work week)

2592 (1) Limit may not be exceeded

2593 b. OSHA Ceiling Value (instantaneously measured or 15 min. TWA)

2594 (1) Limit may not be exceeded at any time

2595 c. OSHA Acceptable Ceiling Concentration (8-hour work shift)

2596 (1) Limit may be exceeded up to a concentration not exceeding the maximum duration and  
2597 concentration allowed in the column under "acceptable maximum peak above the  
2598 acceptable ceiling concentration for an 8-hour shift" in 29 CFR 1910.1000, Table Z-2

2599 d. OSHA Action Levels (8 hour TWA)

2600 (1) A concentration of a specific substance, which initiates certain required activities such as  
2601 exposure monitoring and medical surveillance  
2602 PELs for OSHA-regulated substances are listed in 29 CFR 1910.1000-1096. The majority of  
2603 PELs are listed in 29 CFR 1910.1000-Air Contaminants, Tables Z1-Z3, which may be found  
2604 at [Table Z-1](#), [Table Z-2](#), and [Table Z-3](#). Additional OSHA PELs and Action Levels are  
2605 designated in substance-specific standards 29 CFR 1910.1001-1096, which may be found at  
2606 [OSHA Regulations-General Industry](#). Additionally, OSHA maintains a [Permissible](#)  
2607 [Exposure Limits – Annotated Tables](#) website that provides some background information  
2608 regarding exposure limits and direct access to the OSHA, NIOSH, and California Division of  
2609 Occupational Safety and Health published exposure limits.

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2611 OSHA PELs are regulatory limits describing the amount or concentration of a substance that an  
2612 employee or covered associate may be exposed to. Because the OSHA PELs have not been  
2613 updated for some time, NIST has adopted a more protective approach. At NIST, employee and  
2614 covered associate exposures shall be kept below the applicable OSHA PEL or ACGIH TLV,  
2615 whichever is lower. Employee and covered associate exposures to OSHA-regulated substances  
2616 shall be limited to below the specific exposure limits published in any applicable OSHA  
2617 chemical-specific health standard, unless that standard states otherwise; where a chemical-  
2618 specific health standard specifies the prohibition of eye and skin contact, such prohibitions shall  
2619 be observed (see Appendix G). In the absence of an OSHA PEL, employee and covered  
2620 associate exposures shall be limited to below the specific exposure limits published in the  
2621 ACGIH TLVs.

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2623 Exposure limits for specific chemical products are described in the specific product's safety data  
2624 sheet.

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2626 Contact OSHE for any questions or assistance regarding exposure limits.

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- 2668 d. Perform employee exposure determinations under the following circumstances:  
2669 (1) Initial monitoring for employee exposure to a substance regulated by an OSHA standard  
2670 which requires monitoring, if there is reason to believe exposure levels routinely exceed  
2671 the action level (or PEL, in the absence of an action level) for the substance.  
2672 (2) Periodic monitoring, if initial monitoring discloses exposure over the action level (or  
2673 PEL, in the absence of an action level).
- 2674 e. Develop and carry out the provisions of a written CHP capable of:  
2675 (1) Protecting employees from health hazards associated with hazardous chemicals in the  
2676 laboratory.  
2677 (2) Keeping exposures below the PELs specified in [29CFR1910, subpart Z](#).
- 2678 f. Ensure that the CHP is readily available to employees, employee representatives, and the  
2679 Assistant Secretary of Labor upon request.
- 2680 g. Ensure that the CHP shall indicate specific measures to be taken to ensure laboratory  
2681 employee protection.
- 2682 h. Review and evaluate the effectiveness of the CHP at least annually and update the CHP as  
2683 necessary.

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**2. CHP Requirements:**

- 2686 a. Standard operating procedures relevant to safety and health considerations to be followed  
2687 when laboratory work involves the use of hazardous chemicals.
- 2688 b. Criteria used to determine and implement control measures to reduce employee exposure to  
2689 hazardous chemicals, where particular attention shall be given to the selection of control  
2690 measures for chemicals known to be extremely hazardous.
- 2691 c. A requirement that fume hoods and other protective equipment shall function properly, and  
2692 definition of specific measures that shall be taken to ensure proper and adequate performance  
2693 of such protective equipment.
- 2694 d. Provisions for employee information and training in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.1450(f).
- 2695 e. The circumstances under which a particular laboratory operation, procedure or activity shall  
2696 require prior approval from the employer or the employer's designee before implementation.
- 2697 f. Provisions for medical consultation and medical examinations in accordance with 29 CFR  
2698 1910.1450(g).
- 2699 g. Designation of personnel responsible for implementation of the Chemical Hygiene Plan  
2700 including the assignment of a Chemical Hygiene Officer, and, if appropriate, establishment  
2701 of a Chemical Hygiene Committee.
- 2702 h. Provisions for additional employee protection for work with particularly hazardous  
2703 substances.

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2705 The following information provides a reference to the location in NIST S 7101.60: *Chemical*  
2706 *Management* where specific sections of 29 CFR 1910.1450, *Occupational Exposure to*  
2707 *Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories* are addressed.

2708 Table 9 – Location of LS Requirements in NIST S 7101.60, *Chemical Management*

29 CFR 1910.1450 Section	Location in this Document
1910.1450(a)(1)	Section 3
1910.1450(a)(2)(i)	Section 6h(1)(a), Appendix G
1910.1450(a)(2)(ii)	Section 6h(1)(c), Appendix G
1910.1450(a)(2)(iii)	Section 6h(3), Appendix G
1910.1450(b) Definitions	Section 7
1910.1450(c) Permissible exposure limits	Section 6f(2)
1910.1450(d) Employee exposure determination	Section 6h(3)(a), Section 9g(6-7)
1910.1450(e) Chemical hygiene plan	Entire document
1910.1450(e)(1)	Entire document and associated program tools
1910.1450(e)(2)	Section 9c(4)
1910.1450(e)(3)(i)	Entire document and associated program tools
1910.1450(e)(3)(ii)	Section 6f
1910.1450(e)(3)(iii)	Section 6f(5)(c)(ii)-(viii), Section 9e(9-17)
1910.1450(e)(3)(iv)	Section 6j
1910.1450(e)(3)(v)	Section 6g(2)(a)
1910.1450(e)(3)(vi)	Section 6h(4), Section 9g(9)
1910.1450(e)(3)(vii)	Section 9
1910.1450(e)(3)(viii)	Section 6f(1)(b), Section 6f(5)(d)(ii), Section 6f(5)(c)(x)(ii), Section 6g(4)(f)
1910.1450(e)(4)	Section 9c(3)
1910.1450(f) Employee information and training	Section 6j
1910.1450(g) Medical consultation and examinations	Section 6h(4), Section 9g(9)
1910.1450(h) Hazard identification	Section 6e
1910.1450(i) Use of respirators	Section 6f(5)(e)
1910.1450(j) Recordkeeping	Section 9g(9)

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2711 **Appendix G. Chemicals Regulated in OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards**

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 2713 This appendix provides basic information regarding whether a chemical is within the scope and  
 2714 application of the OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards. The OSHA Chemical-Specific  
 2715 Health Standards (29 CFR 1910.1001 - 29 CFR 1910.1053) provide numerous requirements  
 2716 (e.g., hazard communication, information and training, permissible exposure limits, and exposure  
 2717 monitoring/medical surveillance) for specific chemicals. The application and therefore applicable  
 2718 requirements of the OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards are determined by criteria such  
 2719 as chemical concentration, physical form, and use. The OSHA Chemical-Specific Health  
 2720 Standards should be consulted for detailed information regarding the applicable requirements.  
 2721 The NIST Chemical Hygiene Officer or another OSHE staff member will provide assistance  
 2722 upon request.

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2724 **1. “Laboratory Use”:**

2725 a. When the use of a chemical at a NIST workplace meets the definition of “Laboratory Use”  
 2726 and is within the scope and application of an OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard,  
 2727 OSHA 29 CFR 1910.1450, *Occupational Exposure to Hazardous Chemicals in Laboratories*  
 2728 supersedes the requirements of the particular OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard,  
 2729 except as follows:

- 2730 (1) 1910.1450(a)(2)(i) For any OSHA health standard, only the requirement to limit  
 2731 employee exposure to the specific permissible exposure limit shall apply for laboratories,  
 2732 unless that particular standard states otherwise or unless the conditions of  
 2733 1910.1450(a)(2)(iii) apply (see below);  
 2734 (2) 1910.1450(a)(2)(ii) Prohibition of eye and skin contact where specified by any OSHA  
 2735 health standard shall be observed (see 29 CFR 1910.1017, *Vinyl Chloride*, 29 CFR  
 2736 1910.1044, *1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane*, 29 CFR 1910.1045, *Acrylonitrile*);  
 2737 (3) 1910.1450(a)(2)(iii) Where the action level (or in the absence of an action level, the  
 2738 permissible exposure limit) is routinely exceeded for an OSHA regulated substance with  
 2739 exposure monitoring and medical surveillance requirements of 1910.1450(d) and  
 2740 1910.1450(g)(1)(ii) shall apply.

2741 *Note: 29 CFR 1910.1450 does provide exposure determination/monitoring and medical*  
 2742 *consultation/surveillance requirements that under certain scenarios would be required to*  
 2743 *comply with the corresponding requirements in an OSHA Chemical-Specific Health*  
 2744 *Standard (see Section 6j).*

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2746 **2. Not “Laboratory Use”:**

2747 a. When the use of a chemical at a NIST workplace does not meet the definition of “Laboratory  
 2748 Use” and is within the scope and application of an OSHA Chemical-Specific Health  
 2749 Standard, all requirements of the particular OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standard are  
 2750 applicable.

- 2751 **3. Scope and Application of OSHA Chemical-Specific Health Standards:**  
2752 a. [29 CFR 1910.1001 - Asbestos.](#)  
2753 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to asbestos in all industries covered by  
2754 the Occupational Safety and Health Act, except:  
2755 (a) This section does not apply to construction work as defined in 29 CFR 1910.12(b).  
2756 (Exposure to asbestos in construction work is covered by 29 CFR 1926.1101.); and  
2757 (b) This section does not apply to ship repairing, shipbuilding and shipbreaking  
2758 employments and related employments as defined in 29 CFR 1915.4. (Exposure to  
2759 asbestos in these employments is covered by 29 CFR 1915.1001).
- 2760 b. [29 CFR 1910.1003 - 13 Carcinogens.](#)  
2761 (1) This section applies to any area in which the 13 carcinogens addressed by this section are  
2762 manufactured, processed, repackaged, released, handled, or stored, but shall not apply to  
2763 transshipment in sealed containers, except for the labeling requirements under paragraphs  
2764 (e)(2), (3) and (4) of this section. The 13 carcinogens are the following: 4-nitrobiphenyl,  
2765 Chemical Abstracts Service Register Number (CAS No.) 92933; alpha-naphthylamine,  
2766 CAS No. 134327; methyl chloromethyl ether, CAS No. 107302; 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine  
2767 (and its salts) CAS No. 91941; bis-chloromethyl ether, CAS No. 542881; beta-  
2768 naphthylamine, CAS No. 91598; benzidine, CAS No. 92875; 4-Aminodiphenyl, CAS No.  
2769 92671; Ethyleneimine, CAS No. 151564; beta-Propiolactone, CAS No. 57578; 2-  
2770 Acetylaminofluorene, CAS No. 53963; 4-Dimethylaminoazo-benzene, CAS No. 60117;  
2771 and N-nitrosodimethylamine, CAS No. 62759.  
2772 (2) This section shall not apply to the following:  
2773 (a) Solid or liquid mixtures containing less than 0.1 percent by weight or volume of 4-  
2774 Nitrobiphenyl; methyl chloromethyl ether; bis-chloromethyl ether; beta-  
2775 naphthylamine; benzidine or 4-Aminodiphenyl; and  
2776 (b) Solid or liquid mixtures containing less than 1.0 percent by weight or volume of  
2777 alpha-naphthylamine; 3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine (and its salts); Ethyleneimine; beta-  
2778 Propiolactone; 2-Acetylaminofluorene; 4-Dimethylaminoazobenzene, or N-  
2779 nitrosodimethylamine.
- 2780 c. [29 CFR 1910.1017 - Vinyl chloride.](#)  
2781 (1) This section applies to the manufacture, reaction, packaging, repackaging, storage,  
2782 handling or use of vinyl chloride or polyvinyl chloride, but does not apply to the handling  
2783 or use of fabricated products made of polyvinyl chloride.  
2784 (2) This section applies to the transportation of vinyl chloride or polyvinyl chloride except to  
2785 the extent that the Department of Transportation may regulate the hazards covered by this  
2786 section.
- 2787 d. [29 CFR 1910.1018 - Inorganic arsenic.](#)  
2788 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to inorganic arsenic except that this  
2789 section does not apply to employee exposures in agriculture or resulting from pesticide

- 2790 application, the treatment of wood with preservatives or the utilization of arsenically  
2791 preserved wood.
- 2792 e. [29 CFR 1910.1025 - Lead.](#)
- 2793 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposure to lead, except:
- 2794 (a) This section does not apply to the construction industry or to agricultural operations  
2795 covered by 29 CFR Part 1928.
- 2796 f. [29 CFR 1910.1026 - Chromium \(VI\).](#)
- 2797 (1) This standard applies to occupational exposures to chromium (VI) in all forms and  
2798 compounds in general industry, except:
- 2799 (a) Exposures that occur in the application of pesticides regulated by the Environmental  
2800 Protection Agency or another Federal government agency (e.g., the treatment of wood  
2801 with preservatives);
- 2802 (b) Exposures to Portland cement; or
- 2803 (c) Where the employer has objective data demonstrating that a material containing  
2804 chromium or a specific process, operation, or activity involving chromium cannot  
2805 release dusts, fumes, or mists of chromium (VI) in concentrations at or above 0.5  
2806  $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  as an 8-hour time-weighted average (TWA) under any expected conditions of  
2807 use.
- 2808 g. [29 CFR 1910.1027 - Cadmium.](#)
- 2809 (1) This standard applies to all occupational exposures to cadmium and cadmium  
2810 compounds, in all forms, and in all industries covered by the Occupational Safety and  
2811 Health Act, except the construction-related industries, which are covered under 29 CFR  
2812 1926.63.
- 2813 h. [29 CFR 1910.1028 - Benzene.](#)
- 2814 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to benzene. Chemical Abstracts Service  
2815 Registry No. 71-43-2, except:
- 2816 (a) The storage, transportation, distribution, dispensing, sale or use of gasoline, motor  
2817 fuels, or other fuels containing benzene subsequent to its final discharge from bulk  
2818 wholesale storage facilities, except that operations where gasoline or motor fuels are  
2819 dispensed for more than 4 hours per day in an indoor location are covered by this  
2820 section.
- 2821 (b) Loading and unloading operations at bulk wholesale storage facilities which use  
2822 vapor control systems for all loading and unloading operations, except for the  
2823 provisions of 29 CFR 1910.1200 as incorporated into this section and the emergency  
2824 provisions of paragraphs (g) and (i)(4) of this section.
- 2825 (c) The storage, transportation, distribution or sale of benzene or liquid mixtures  
2826 containing more than 0.1 percent benzene in intact containers or in transportation  
2827 pipelines while sealed in such a manner as to contain benzene vapors or liquid, except  
2828 for the provisions of 29 CFR 1910.1200 as incorporated into this section and the  
2829 emergency provisions of paragraphs (g) and (i)(4) of this section.

- 2830 (d) Containers and pipelines carrying mixtures with less than 0.1 percent benzene and  
2831 natural gas processing plants processing gas with less than 0.1 percent benzene.
- 2832 (e) Work operations where the only exposure to benzene is from liquid mixtures  
2833 containing 0.5 percent or less of benzene by volume, or the vapors released from such  
2834 liquids until September 12, 1988; work operations where the only exposure to  
2835 benzene is from liquid mixtures containing 0.3 percent or less of benzene by volume  
2836 or the vapors released from such liquids from September 12, 1988, to September 12,  
2837 1989; and work operations where the only exposure to benzene is from liquid  
2838 mixtures containing 0.1 percent or less of benzene by volume or the vapors released  
2839 from such liquids after September 12, 1989; except that tire building machine  
2840 operators using solvents with more than 0.1 percent benzene are covered by  
2841 paragraph (i) of this section.
- 2842 (f) Oil and gas drilling, production and servicing operations.
- 2843 (g) Coke oven batteries.
- 2844 (h) The cleaning and repair of barges and tankers which have contained benzene are  
2845 excluded from paragraph (f) methods of compliance, paragraph (e)(1) exposure  
2846 monitoring-general, and paragraph (e)(6) accuracy of monitoring. Engineering and  
2847 work practice controls shall be used to keep exposures below 10 ppm unless it is  
2848 proven to be not feasible.
- 2849 i. [29 CFR 1910.1029 - Coke oven emissions.](#)
- 2850 (1) This section applies to the control of employee exposure to coke oven emissions, except  
2851 that this section shall not apply to working conditions with regard to which other Federal  
2852 agencies exercise statutory authority to prescribe or enforce standards affecting  
2853 occupational safety and health.
- 2854 j. [29 CFR 1910.1044 - 1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane.](#)
- 2855 (1) This section applies to occupational exposure to 1,2-dibromo-3-chloropropane (DBCP),  
2856 except:
- 2857 (a) Exposure to DBCP which results solely from the application and use of DBCP as a  
2858 pesticide; or
- 2859 (b) The storage, transportation, distribution or sale of DBCP in intact containers sealed in  
2860 such a manner as to prevent exposure to DBCP vapors or liquid, except for the  
2861 requirements of paragraphs (i), (n) and (o) of this section.
- 2862 k. [29 CFR 1910.1045 - Acrylonitrile.](#)
- 2863 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to acrylonitrile (AN), Chemical  
2864 Abstracts Service Registry No. 000107131, except:
- 2865 (a) This section does not apply to exposures which result solely from the processing, use,  
2866 and handling of the following materials:
- 2867 i. ABS resins, SAN resins, nitrile barrier resins, solid nitrile elastomers, and acrylic  
2868 and modacrylic fibers, when these listed materials are in the form of finished  
2869 polymers, and products fabricated from such finished polymers;

- 2870           ii. Materials made from and/or containing AN for which objective data is reasonably  
2871           relied upon to demonstrate that the material is not capable of releasing AN in  
2872           airborne concentrations in excess of 1 ppm as an eight (8)-hour time-weighted  
2873           average, under the expected conditions of processing, use, and handling which  
2874           will cause the greatest possible release; and  
2875           iii. Solid materials made from and/or containing AN, which will not be heated above  
2876           170 deg. F during handling, use, or processing.
- 2877 1. [29 CFR 1910.1047 - Ethylene oxide.](#)
- 2878       (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to ethylene oxide (EtO), Chemical  
2879       Abstracts Service Registry No. 75-21-8, except:
- 2880       (a) This section does not apply to the processing, use, or handling of products containing  
2881       EtO where objective data are reasonably relied upon that demonstrate that the product  
2882       is not capable of releasing EtO in airborne concentrations at or above the action level  
2883       under the expected conditions of processing, use, or handling that will cause the  
2884       greatest possible release.
- 2885 m. [29 CFR 1910.1048 - Formaldehyde.](#)
- 2886       (1) This standard applies to all occupational exposures to formaldehyde, i.e. from  
2887       formaldehyde gas, its solutions, and materials that release formaldehyde.
- 2888 n. [29 CFR 1910.1050 - Methylenedianiline.](#)
- 2889       (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to methylenedianiline (MDA),  
2890       Chemical Abstracts Service Registry No. 101-77-9, except:
- 2891       (a) Except as provided in paragraphs (a)(8) and (e)(5) of this section, this section does  
2892       not apply to the processing, use, and handling of products containing MDA where  
2893       initial monitoring indicates that the product is not capable of releasing MDA in  
2894       excess of the action level under the expected conditions of processing, use, and  
2895       handling which will cause the greatest possible release; and where no "dermal  
2896       exposure to MDA" can occur.
- 2897       (b) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(8) of this section, this section does not apply to  
2898       the processing, use, and handling of products containing MDA where objective data  
2899       are reasonably relied upon which demonstrate the product is not capable of releasing  
2900       MDA under the expected conditions of processing, use, and handling which will  
2901       cause the greatest possible release; and where no "dermal exposure to MDA" can  
2902       occur.
- 2903       (c) This section does not apply to the storage, transportation, distribution or sale of MDA  
2904       in intact containers sealed in such a manner as to contain the MDA dusts, vapors, or  
2905       liquids, except for the provisions of 29 CFR 1910.1200 and paragraph (d) of this  
2906       section.
- 2907       (d) This section does not apply to the construction industry as defined in 29 CFR  
2908       1910.12(b). (Exposure to MDA in the construction industry is covered by 29 CFR  
2909       1926.60).

- 2910 (e) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(8) of this section, this section does not apply to  
2911 materials in any form which contain less than 0.1 percent MDA by weight or volume.
- 2912 (f) Except as provided in paragraph (a)(8) of this section, this section does not apply to  
2913 "finished articles containing MDA."
- 2914 o. [29 CFR 1910.1051 - 1,3-Butadiene.](#)
- 2915 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to 1,3-Butadiene (BD), Chemical  
2916 Abstracts Service Registry No. 106-99-0, except as provided in paragraph (a)(2) of this  
2917 section.
- 2918 p. [29 CFR 1910.1052 - Methylene chloride.](#)
- 2919 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to methylene chloride (MC), Chemical  
2920 Abstracts Service Registry Number 75-09-2, in general industry, construction and  
2921 shipyard employment.
- 2922 q. [29 CFR 1910.1053 - Respirable crystalline silica.](#)
- 2923 (1) This section applies to all occupational exposures to respirable crystalline silica, except:
- 2924 (a) Construction work as defined in 29 CFR 1910.12(b) (occupational exposures to  
2925 respirable crystalline silica in construction work are covered under 29 CFR  
2926 1926.1153);
- 2927 (b) Agricultural operations covered under 29 CFR part 1928; and
- 2928 (c) Exposures that result from the processing of sorptive clays.
- 2929 (2) This section does not apply where the employer has objective data demonstrating that  
2930 employee exposure to respirable crystalline silica will remain below 25 micrograms per  
2931 cubic meter of air (25 µg/m<sup>3</sup>) as an 8-hour time-weighted average (TWA) under any  
2932 foreseeable conditions.
- 2933 (3) This section does not apply if the employer complies with 29 CFR 1926.1153 and:
- 2934 (a) The task performed is indistinguishable from a construction task listed on Table 1 in  
2935 paragraph (c) of 29 CFR 1926.1153; and
- 2936 (b) The task will not be performed regularly in the same environment and conditions.