



Accidents & Spills

- Eye wash and/or safety showers are located in classrooms that contain corrosives.
- In the event of chemical exposure to the eyes, use the eye wash station and promptly flush eyes with water for at least 15 minutes. Then, seek medical attention immediately.
- In the event of chemical exposure to the body, pull the handle on the safety shower and stand under the waterstream for 15 minutes. Then, seek medical attention immediately.
- In the event of a chemical spill, contact your Instructor or Staff during class hours and Campus Security during evening hours.



Food & Drinks

- Avoid eating, smoking, chewing gum, or applying cosmetics in areas where chemicals are present; wash hands before conducting these activities.
- Avoid storing, handling, and consuming food and drinks in storage areas, refrigerators, glassware. Keep utensils away from stored chemicals.



Defective Tools & Equipment

- Report defective equipment or tools to instructor or staff.
- Do not use tools or equipment that has an "Out of Service" tag attached to the equipment.



Hazardous Waste Disposal

- Deposit chemical waste in an appropriately labeled "Hazardous Waste" container.
- Do not pour chemical waste down the drain.



Operating Machinery

- Do not operate equipment or machinery while tired, rushed, or under the influence of drugs or alcohol. (This includes over the counter and prescription medications).
- Do not operate equipment or machinery unless you are trained and authorized by Staff.

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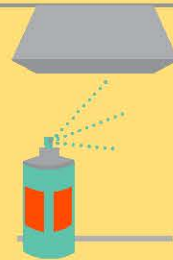
Hazardous Components of Chemicals

- Chemicals provided by instructors and staff have been evaluated for compatibility, toxicity, and ease of use and disposal.
- Consult the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for information on signs, symptoms of exposure, handling practices, and recommended personal protective equipment.



Chemical Storage

- Carefully read the label before storing hazardous chemicals. Ask your instructor or staff if you are unsure of where to store chemicals.
- Do not store flammables with corrosives or other incompatible materials.
- Ensure containers are tightly closed.
- Store chemicals in approved safety cabinets and containers. Ensure labels are on all containers.
- To avoid eye injuries, do not store chemicals above eye level.



Ventilation System

- Use a spray booth or hood when working with chemicals, especially aerosols such as spray paint.
- Make sure the ventilation system is on when using chemicals.



For more information, please contact the Associate Director of Environmental, Health, and Safety at (312) 499-4924.



Horseplay & Unsafe Behavior

- Avoid practical jokes or other behavior that might confuse, startle, or distract another person handling chemicals or equipment.
- Report unsafe behaviors to your instructor, staff or Campus Security.



Housekeeping

- Clean up after yourself.
- Ensure that materials are safely and properly stored, and returned to their designated areas.
- Leave the equipment ready for the next user.
- Ensure all equipment is turned off after using.



Clothing & Accessories

- Open-toed shoes and/or sandals are not acceptable. Nor are bare feet when working with chemicals and machinery.
- Pull back long hair, confine loose clothing, remove jewelry or anything that can get caught in equipment or machinery.
- Full clothing is required while handling corrosives, solvents, or hot materials. (No shorts.)



Personal Protective Equipment

- Wear safety glasses/goggles when dispensing and handling chemicals and aerosols.
- Wear appropriate gloves when the potential for contact with chemical exists. Inspect gloves before each use, wash them before removal, and replace them periodically.
- Use respiratory equipment when air contaminant concentrations are not sufficiently controlled by ventilation (spray booths and fume hoods).
- Your instructor or staff will inform you of what type of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is necessary. Students are expected to use the designated PPE.

