



Safety Data Sheets

Module 5



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Safety Data Sheet Overview

The Safety Data Sheet is clearly a primary document in the communication of information to allow users to take the necessary measures relating to the protection of human health and safety in the workplace, and the protection of the environment whilst handling the substances. Most countries produce a document that is similar to the accepted EU version and whilst there is still an amount of variation in the use of terms and pictograms, we are getting nearer than ever to a globally harmonised system for classification and labelling together with the composition of the Safety Data Sheet.

The introduction of the REACH Regulations and the associated adoption of the United Nations' Globally Harmonised System for Classification and Labelling of Chemicals through the CLP Regulation, have greatly increased standardisation.

SDS Sections:

1. Identification of the substance or preparation and company or undertaking
2. Composition/information on ingredients
3. Hazards identification
4. First-aid measures
5. Fire-fighting measures
6. Accidental release measures
7. Handling and storage
8. Exposure controls & personal protection
9. Physical and chemical properties
10. Stability and reactivity
11. Toxicological information
12. Ecological information
13. Disposal considerations
14. Transport information
15. Regulatory information
16. Other information



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