

Complying with Chemical Safety

Assign responsibility **Identify potentially hazardous chemicals**

- Products with health or physical hazards

Examples

chemicals that can be irritating to the skin, eyes, lungs
chemicals that are flammable, poisonous, corrosive, explosive
most household products and medications are exempt – but there are exceptions

Remember – chemicals can be liquid, powder, crystal, gas and solid

Have Safety Data Sheet's (SDS) for all hazardous chemicals identified

Available from manufacturer or supplier
Must change to SDS format by June 2015
Write policies that address chemical hazards
Hazard Communication Plan
Purchase Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)
gloves, goggles, masks, clothing cover
Provide engineering controls
eye wash, spill kit



Check that chemical's are properly labeled

- Manufacturer labeled
- Written label or coded (NFPA) label if product is removed from original container

Have information on the standard available

Provide employee training on chemicals

- Policies in place for safety