



Understand the situation at hand

**INVENTORYING AND
CLASSIFYING CHEMICALS BY
HAZARD AND HAZARD BANDS**

In this session...

- Documenting information collected so far
- Requirements as per ZDHC CMS
- Classify chemical hazards and hazard bands
- Exercise
- Analyse your inventory table



Chemical inventory and classification

References ZDHC CMS (Examples)

- 2.1 Systematically identify and document chemicals used and stored in Your organization
 - 2.1.4 Creating a Comprehensive Chemical List
 - 2.1.4.3 Chemicals as Discharge
 - 2.3.2 Identify Chemical suppliers
- 2.4 Chemical Risk Assessment
 - 2.4.2 Environmental - Process/Plan for Reducing Environmental Impacts
 - 2.4.3 Health and Safety - ...identifying and controlling the potential health and safety impact from chemicals stored, used and discarded at your site.
- 2.5 Chemicals and Processes of Concern
 - 2.5.1 Identify Gaps and Losses in Current Processes - determine where there are potential chemical knowledge and safety gaps and chemical losses not accounted for in the mass balance
 - 2.5.2.1 Verification of Compliance with MRSL/RSL
- 2.6.1 MRSL Compliant Formulations
- 3.4 Document and Record Control
- Appendix C - Chemical Inventory



ZDHC audit questions

Example

- Are there SOPs that cover chemical management, such as an approved chemical list, **chemical classification system**, safe chemical handling procedures or chemical disposal? (CRS 1.1.2)
- Are **hazardous chemicals categorised by their GHS classification** as shown on its label and/or SDS? (CRR 1.1.4)



Adding value to your chemical inventory



- Answering questions
 - How hazardous are the chemicals?
 - Which are the most/least hazardous ones we use?
 - ...
- **Hazard banding tool**
 - Simple and widely used approach
 - Concept: Categorise chemicals by **bands of hazards** using H-statements describing physical, health, environmental effects

What is/are chemical's hazard(s)?

- Use the label and /or consult the SDS to identify hazard(s).
- Check series of codes or phrases indicating hazardous properties of a chemical, the so called
 - Hazard (H) statements (in GHS)
- Verify information in SDS on health effects on humans, environment and risks of fire / explosion



Identify types of hazards – coding structure

- Physical hazard (P)
 - R phrases R1 - R19
 - Hazard statements H200 - H290
- Health hazard (H)
 - R phrases R20 – R49 and R 60 - R68
 - R 60 - R 64 specific for human reproduction
 - R 68 and its combinations specific for irreversible processes
 - Hazard statements H300 – H373
- Environmental Hazard (E)
 - R phrases R50 – R59
 - Hazard statements H400 – H413



Hazard banding

Example - Acetone



- Chemical used in the printing area of a factory

Source of information

- Eco-mapping
- Flow diagram
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- Chemical used in the printing area of a factory
- Question:
 - Is it a hazardous chemical?



Label is a first indicator, that it may be hazardous!

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Next:

Finding more details about the type of hazards

Information from SDS for Acetone

H-statements:



- H225** - Highly flammable liquid and vapor
- H315** - Causes skin irritation.
- H319** - Causes serious eye irritation.
- H335 + H336** - May cause respiratory irritation, and drowsiness, or dizziness
- EUH066** - Repeated exposure may cause skin dryness or cracking.

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Source of information

- Safety data sheet
- Internet database
- ...

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Finding hazard bands

Example BAUA Column model

Risk/GHS H-statements	Health hazard						Environmental Hazards	Fire and explosions Hazards	Exposure potential	Hazards caused by procedures
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Medium risk (3)	H332, Non toxic gases; may cause suffocation by air <i>displacement</i> (e.g. nitrogen)	H321, H314,		H302, H362	H361, H361d, H361f, H361fd, H371, H373		H412, WGK 2	H223, H226, H228, H242, H252, H261, H272, H280, H281, H290	Liquids with vap. Pressure 10...50 hPa, except water (e.g. toluene)	Closed processing but exposure possibilities e.g. when filling, sampling or cleaning
Low risk (2)	H335, H336	H315,	H319,	H304	EUH066 Otherwise chronically affecting substances (no R-Phrase, but nonetheless a hazardous substance		H413, WGK1	Hardly flammable substances/prepara tions (flashpoint 55- 100°C)	Liquids with vap. Pressure 2...10 hPa, (e.g. xylene)	
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Exercise

You are back in „Beautiful Colours“ in order to help the company with establishing the chemical inventory and assessing the hazards of the chemicals used.

Tasks:

- Identify the class of hazards (physical, human health, environment)
- Determine the hazard band of each chemical used in „Beautiful Colours“
- Discuss in your group what useful information you can already retrieve from the inventory table

Time: 45 min



Retrieving useful information from chemical inventory

Company BEAUTIFUL COLOURS

Prepared by _____

Group _____

Date _____

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Area/ Process	Name	SDS Yes/No	R-phrases/ Hazard statements	Hazard type			Hazard group/ band				Amount				
				P	H	E	Health	Environment	Fire explosion	Other physical						
Dye kitchen	Acetic acid	Yes	H226 H314	x	x		3/C			3/C						
Dye kitchen	Basic Yellow	Yes	H301 H318 H410		x	x	4/D 4/D	4D- 5/E								Ref. ECHA
Dye kitchen	Reactive Black	Yes	H317 H334		x		4/D 4/D									
Printing	2-Naphthol	Yes	H302 H332 H400		x	x	3/C 3/C	5/E								
Printing	Sodium hydroxide	Yes	H290 H314		x		3/C			3/C						
Printing	Unknown 1	No	H228	x						3/C						
Storage	Citric acid	Yes	H319		x		2/B									
Storage	Unknown 2	No														
Yard	Acetone	Yes	H225 H315 H319 H335 H336 EUH066	x	x		2/B 2/B 2/B 2/B 2/B			4/D						

Retrieving useful information from chemical inventory

- Where are the chemicals present?
- Are there redundant chemicals?
- Which one most hazardous chemicals?
- What (common) hazards are (most) prevalent?
- In which section are the most hazardous chemicals used?
- Is the hazard information complete (any missing SDS)?
- Are any banned/restricted substances in use? (eco-criteria, ZDHC, Oekotex 100,.....)
- In which areas shall we already focus our efforts for any alternative substances / forms? (Substitution by less hazardous substances / forms?)
- ...



**Let's try this in
your company!**