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Section C.08 – Hazardous Substances

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Section C08 – Safe Handling and Use of Substances (COSHH)

The Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations 2002 (as amended) provide a framework to help protect people in the workplace (paid or voluntary) against health risks from hazardous substances.

Hazard sheets and manufacturer's instructions provide useful information for substances identified as a hazard.

All substances should be handled carefully and stored in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

Users should carry out assessments on any substances they wish to use and substances generated from work activities (e.g. dust, fumes, vapours) and identify any health risks. If there is a risk, steps should be taken to remove or control the risk. The manufacturer's instructions for any item/substance that is unfamiliar should be carefully read and complied with.

Anyone using flammable materials should ensure that they use only the minimum quantity necessary.

All substances should be stored in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.

COSHH Safety Data Sheets

Products classified as 'dangerous for supply' will be labelled with one or more of the hazard symbols illustrated below. Where the product carries a hazard symbol, the Safety Data Sheet for that substance should be obtained. These products include common substances such as paint, bleach, solvent and fillers.

European symbols



International symbols

