

TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF ILLINOIS RISK MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

RISK REMINDER

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Manufacturer's Warning Labels



Chemical container labels are your key to staying safe.

A Chemical Warning Label Tells You:

- The name of the chemical the common name, the chemical name or both.
- The name, address and emergency telephone number of the manufacturer.
- The chemical's physical hazards what can happen to you if the chemical isn't handled properly.
- The chemical's health hazards health problems that can result from overexposure.
- Instructions for proper storage and handling of the chemical.
- Basic protective clothing, equipment and procedures that are needed to work safely with the chemical.

Special Signal Words

If the label says: It can cause:

Danger Immediate serious injury or death

Warning Potentially serious injury or death

Caution Potentially moderate injury

Always:

- Read the label and MSDS for every chemical vou work with.
- Check that every container you use has a label.
- Report missing or damaged labels so they can be replaced.
- Put labels on portable containers for all hazardous chemicals.
- Be familiar with your company's emergency procedures for chemical spills, fires and exposures.

Never:

- Use a container that isn't labeled.
- Cover labels so they can't be read.
- Ignore label warnings.



READ THIS FIRST BEFORE HANDLING CHEMICALS.