

COSHH assessment of risk at storage premises

Company Name and address :

Proprietor :

Date of this assessment :

Nature of business :

1. PRODUCTS STORED

Insecticides and rodenticides - stock at time of this assessment.

PRODUCT NAME	HAZARD CLASSIFICATION	PRODUCT NAME	HAZARD CLASSIFICATION
<u>eg.</u>	<u>eg.</u>		
A	HARMFUL		
B	UNCLASSIFIED		
C	FLAMMABLE/IRRITANT		
D	IRRITANT		
E	UNCLASSIFIED		
F	UNCLASSIFIED		
G	VERY TOXIC		

2. NATURE OF HAZARD

- a) The stored products have hazard classifications as shown above (eg. v.toxic, toxic, harmful, irritant, corrosive, highly flammable, flammable, dangerous for the environment or are unclassified under The Control of Pesticides Regulations 1986 and/or the CHIP 3 [Chemicals (Hazard Information and Packaging for Supply) Regulations 2002]).
- b) They present a risk to operators handling them in the storage premises through the possibility of personal contact.
- c) They represent a hazard to emergency services personnel (police, ambulance, fire) if the storage premise was at the centre of an incident (fire, accident, vandals etc.)
- d) The products would produce toxic fumes in a fire.
- e) The products may be damaging to the environment/sewage system if gross quantities were released during a non-routine event.

3. DESCRIPTION OF STORAGE PREMISE

Describe material of construction.

Record distance from other buildings.

Describe building attributes which aggravate or lessen the risks.

4. CONTROL OF RISKS

Examples of how risks are controlled and the facilities available.

1. Products are stored inside a metal chest (bin vault) or in locked bins to enhance security, give protection during early stages of a fire and obviate spillage risks.
2. A list of stock is maintained.
3. The premise and inner storage bin are marked with a black exclamation mark on a yellow triangle to warn emergency services personnel of the chemical contents.
4. The premise is lockable and metal grills cover the windows.
5. No liquids are stored and/or any liquid spills would be contained inside the premise.
6. There are no open drains.
7. Sawdust/brushes/shovels and paper towelling is available to deal with spillages. Waste packages/spillage etc is stored in marked containers before disposal through the Local Authority or reputable waste disposal contractor.
8. Dry and frost-free conditions are maintained.
9. Ventilation is good by virtue of air vents.
10. Smoking and naked flames are not allowed.
11. Any pesticides marked flammable or highly flammable or inflammable would be stored in a separate metal chest.
12. Arrangements are made so that deliveries of pesticides are received safely and not left unattended.
13. Metal lockers are provided for storing PPE.
14. Hand washing facilities and a first-aid kit are available.
15. Persons using the store have been trained in the safe use of pesticides, use of PPE, what to do in an emergency and who to contact for expert advice when needed.
16. A file of Product Safety Data Sheets on all products stored is maintained.
17. The requirements of Guidance Note AIS 16 from the Health & Safety Executive on Storage of approved pesticides: guidance for farmers and other professional users has been read and applied as appropriate.

5. CONCLUSIONS

It is my opinion that the risks associated with the pesticide products which are stored and handled at the premises described are adequately controlled. This risk assessment will be updated if any changes to working practices or to the types of products stored warrant it.

Signed:-

Position in Company:-

Date:-