

# GEO SPECIALTY CHEMICALS, INC. IMPLEMENTATION OF U.S. HAZCOM 2012

Effective: June 1, 2015

## GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM (GHS) OF CLASSIFICATION AND LABELING OF CHEMICALS – OSHA HAZCOM 2012

- OSHA has revised the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) in an effort to improve international harmonization of Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and Labels. GHS provides a global approach for defining and classifying hazards, and communicating the information on Labels and Safety Data Sheets.
- The deadline for converting SDS and Labels into the new format is June 1, 2015.
- GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. has successfully met OSHA's deadline. All SDSs and Labels for GEO's products that are shipped to and within the United States now comply with OSHA's version of the Globally Harmonized System for Classification and Labeling of Chemicals (GHS).

HAZARD CLASSIFICATIONS	Provides specific criteria for classification of health and physical hazards
SAFETY DATA SHEETS (SDS)	<ul> <li>SDSs will have a specified 16-element format and will replace Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs)</li> </ul>
PRODUCT LABELS	Chemical manufacturers and importers are now required to provide a label that includes all required label elements

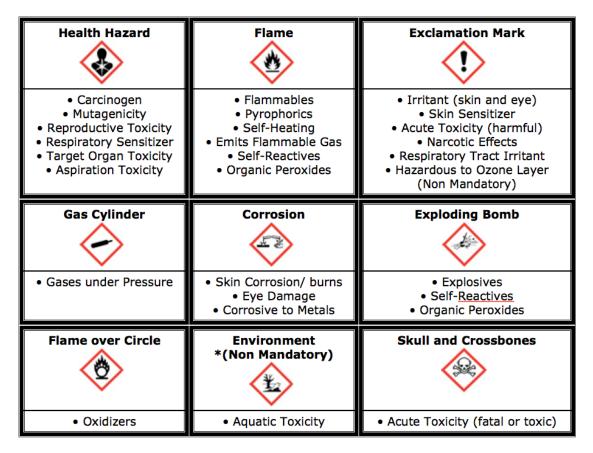
#### WHAT HAS CHANGED?



### **REQUIRED LABEL ELEMENTS**

- PRODUCT IDENTIFIER
- SUPPLIER INFORMATION
- HARMONIZED SIGNAL WORD
- HAZARD PICTOGRAM
- PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS
- HAZARD STATEMENTS

## HAZCOM 2012 PICTOGRAMS



GEO Specialty Chemicals, Inc. is committed to protecting human health and the environment by ensuring the safe use and handling of its products. If you have any questions concerning GEO's implementation of HazCom 2012, please email:

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