

# Information. Quick!



## Quick Guide to WHMIS (4 x 6")

*The Quick Guide to WHMIS will help your workers deal with various hazardous materials in the workplace. Perfect for a variety of facilities and works as an excellent training tool.*

WHMIS is an information system designed to ensure that workers are prepared to work safely with hazardous materials in their workplace.

## QuickBooks

<b>Frequently Asked Questions</b>	
<b>When Was It Developed?</b> Over a period of approximately 10 years up to 1988. Legislation has been in place now since 1988.	
<b>Why Was It Developed?</b> To establish a common set of rules across Canada in order to protect the health and safety of workers.	
<b>Who Developed It?</b> A joint task force that included Labor, Industry and Government.	
<b>Is It The Law?</b> Yes. Legislation was enacted at Federal and Provincial Levels. It is the law and there are penalties for non-compliance.	
<b>Is There Another Name for It?</b> Yes. Also known as <i>Worker Right to Know</i> . Workers have the right to know about hazardous materials used in their workplace and how to protect themselves from injury when using or in close proximity to the materials.	
<b>What Is a Health Hazard?</b> Any property of a chemical which can inflict injury to the human body, either to the outside (skin, eyes) or internal systems (heart, lungs, liver, kidneys, etc.).	
<b>Are All Chemicals Hazardous?</b> Every chemical has the potential for hazard or good. As an example, hydrogen is a very flammable and dangerous chemical. Oxygen is an explosive chemical. Two parts hydrogen plus 1 part oxygen makes water (H <sub>2</sub> O), a life giving chemical.	
<b>What Is A Controlled Product?</b> Any hazardous chemical that may cause harm to your body while being used in the workplace and which is not covered under any other legislation (examples of other legislated products: consumer products, pesticides, cosmetics, foods, drugs, radioactive materials).	
<b>FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS</b>	
<b>RULES OF CHEMICAL SAFETY</b>	
<b>HOW CHEMICALS ENTER AND HARM THE BODY</b>	
<b>MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEETS (MSDS)</b>	
<b>SUPPLIER LABELS</b>	
<b>WHMIS BORDER AND SYMBOLS</b>	
<b>WORKPLACE LABELS</b>	<b>PRODUCT IDENTIFIER LABELS</b>
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