

ATTACHMENT B 7

EMERGENCY ACTIONS FOR CHEMICAL SPILLS

The following emergency actions are to be followed for any chemical spill

- The first priority in any chemical spill is to identify the need for and administration of First Aid. Spills that result in personal exposure must be treated immediately.
 - Eyes/skin contact: Assist the person to sink/eyewash and flush eyes or affected skin areas with water thoroughly and continuously for a minimum of 15 minutes. Remove contaminated clothing. If exposed and injured, take them to the nearest Hospital along with a Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the chemical, if available
 - Inhalation: Get the person into fresh air.
- Request emergency medical support (call 911) in any case of personal exposure/contamination from the chemical spill.
- Request emergency fire department support in case of fire, if the personnel present think it has been a significant chemical spill, or if the chemicals spilled are known or suspected to be toxic chemicals.
- When appropriate, get all personnel away from danger.
- If there is time and no personal risk, protect property - first official records, then other property. Do not touch or tamper with property that has been contaminated by the chemical spill. However, move other nearby property away from the immediate area as long as there is no fire, there are no apparent toxic fumes in the area, and it can be moved safely without causing potential contamination to yourself and other personnel.

- Evaluate the severity of the spill. Identify:
- The chemical spilled and approximate quantity
- The location of the spill
- Regardless of the quantity, immediately report the following types of spills the property custodian or fire department personnel:
 - Flammables
 - All uncontrolled compressed gas releases
 - Toxic gas or fluids
 - All leaking containers
 - Corrosives
 - Radioactive materials
 - Unknown chemical materials
- Notify the recruiting supervisor and appropriate Command personnel.
- Do not re-enter the contaminated facility or area until given the all-clear by the appropriate response personnel.