













# GHS PICTOGRAM SYMBOLS AND MEANINGS

The United Nations Global Harmonized System of Classification & Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) is a new system with the objective of harmonizing information on labels & Safety Data Sheets (SDSs). The goal is to improve the protection of human health & the environment.

	<b>ACUTELY TOXIC:</b> Exposure to this chemical can cause immediate health problems.		<b>ACUTE HAZARD:</b> This chemical may cause immediate health effects/ reactions if exposed to it.
	<b>FLAMMABLE:</b> A flammable chemical is one that can easily catch fire and burn.	 Skin Irritant	<b>ACUTE HAZARD:</b> This chemical may cause immediate health effects/ reactions, such as skin rashes and irritation, if exposed to it.
	<b>ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARD:</b> This is a chemical that can damage or kill fish or other aquatic organisms.		<b>CHRONIC HAZARD:</b> Prolonged or repeated exposure to this chemical may cause long term health effects such as cancer or birth defects.
	<b>EXPLOSIVE:</b> This chemical is one that can blow up and cause an explosion.	 Reproductive Hazard	<b>REPRODUCTIVE HAZARD:</b> Exposure to this chemical can cause problems for a person's ability to have children or cause birth defects in offspring.
	<b>OXIDIZING:</b> This chemical can react, even in the absence of air, with other chemicals and cause fire.	 Carcinogenic	<b>CARCINOGENIC:</b> Exposure to this chemical may cause cancer.
	<b>CORROSIVE:</b> This chemical can cause severe damage to eyes, skin, metal and other materials.		<b>COMPRESSED GAS:</b> This chemical is under pressure and may explode if the cylinder is heated or ruptured, and contents may cause burns.
<b>SIGNAL WORDS</b>	<b>DANGER:</b> For more severe hazards that may affect your health if you are exposed to it.	<b>WARNING:</b> For less severe hazards that may affect your health if you are exposed to it.	

For More Information on the GHS: [www.unitar.org](http://www.unitar.org)



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