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AEBN SERIES 2: Dangerous Goods and Hazardous Substances Workshop Webinar

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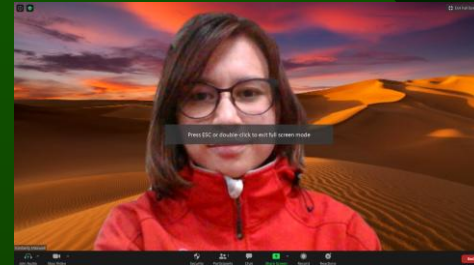
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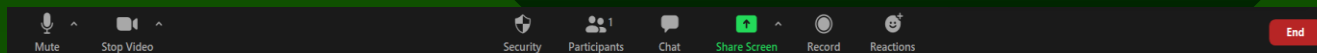
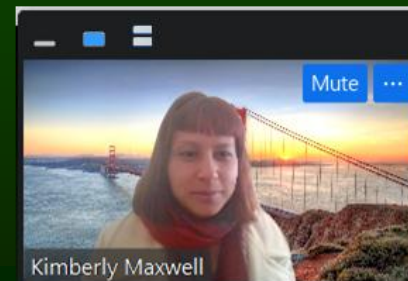
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Agenda

- Refresher – Intro to Dangerous Goods (DG)
- Storage and Handling
- Road and Rail Transport

Legislative Framework

- MODEL ACT FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD AND RAIL 2007
- MODEL SUBORDINATE LAW FOR THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS BY ROAD AND RAIL
- Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG7.9)
- IMDG CODE (SEA TRANSPORT)
- IATA REGULATIONS (AIR TRANSPORT)

LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK - VICTORIA

- DANGEROUS GOODS ACT 1985
- DANGEROUS GOODS (STORAGE AND HANDLING) REGULATIONS 2022
- DANGEROUS GOODS (TRANSPORT BY ROAD OR RAIL) REGULATIONS 2018

Hazardous Substances

- Hazardous Chemicals regulated in nationally harmonised Work Health & Safety (WHS) laws:
 - ACT, NSW, NT, QLD, SA, TAS, WA, Commonwealth
 - In WA, Dangerous Goods remain outside WHS laws
- In VIC, Hazardous Substances are regulated under existing OHS laws
- Coordinated nationally by Safe Work Australia
 - Commonwealth statutory body (no regulatory powers)
- GHS edition 7 mandatory
 - As of 1-Jan-2023

Transport of Dangerous Goods

- Not covered by the Work Health & Safety (WHS) regulations for hazardous chemicals
- Covered by transport laws and the Australian Dangerous Goods (ADG) Code, as implemented in each state.
 - Administered by National Transport Commission (NTC)

Hazardous Substances

- Hazardous substances (VIC) are those that, following worker exposure, can have an adverse effect on health.
 - Examples include poisons, substances that cause burns or skin and eye irritation, and substances that may cause cancer.
 - Many hazardous substances are also classified as dangerous goods.
 - In other states, WHS Regulations refer to Hazardous Chemicals instead of Hazardous Substances

Safety Data Sheet (SDS)

- A **Safety Data Sheet** (SDS) is a technical bulletin containing detailed information about a hazardous substance.
 - Formerly known as a **Material** Safety Data Sheet (MSDS)
- An SDS must comply with VIC OHS Regulation 145
 - = WHS Regulations Part 7.1 Division 2
- The hazard identification for the substance must be determined in accordance with the GHS
 - Globally Harmonised System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

Australian Dangerous Goods Code Edition 7.9 (ADG7.9)

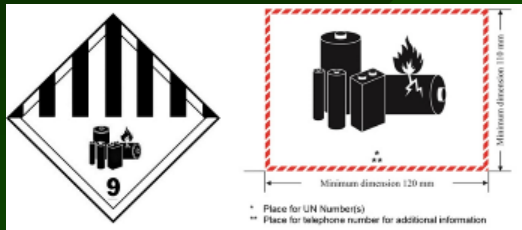
- ADG7 replaced ADG6 from 2007
- ADG 7.8 adopted for use from 1 April 2023, mandatory from 1 April 2024, can be used until 1 October 2025.
 - Based on UN Model Regulations for DG Transport, Edn. 22 (UN22)
- ADG7.9 adopted for use from 1 October 2024, mandatory from **1 October 2025**.
 - Based on UN23

Objectives

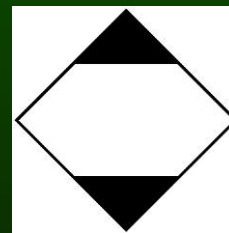
- To be able to identify and be aware of the hazards of Dangerous Goods
- To make the Storage and Handling of Dangerous Goods safer

Changes in ADG 7.5 – 7.9

- New lithium battery mark
 - From ADG 7.9, also applies to sodium batteries



- Progressive adoption of “Limited Quantity” and “Excepted Quantity” provisions in ADG 7.5, 7.6 and 7.7



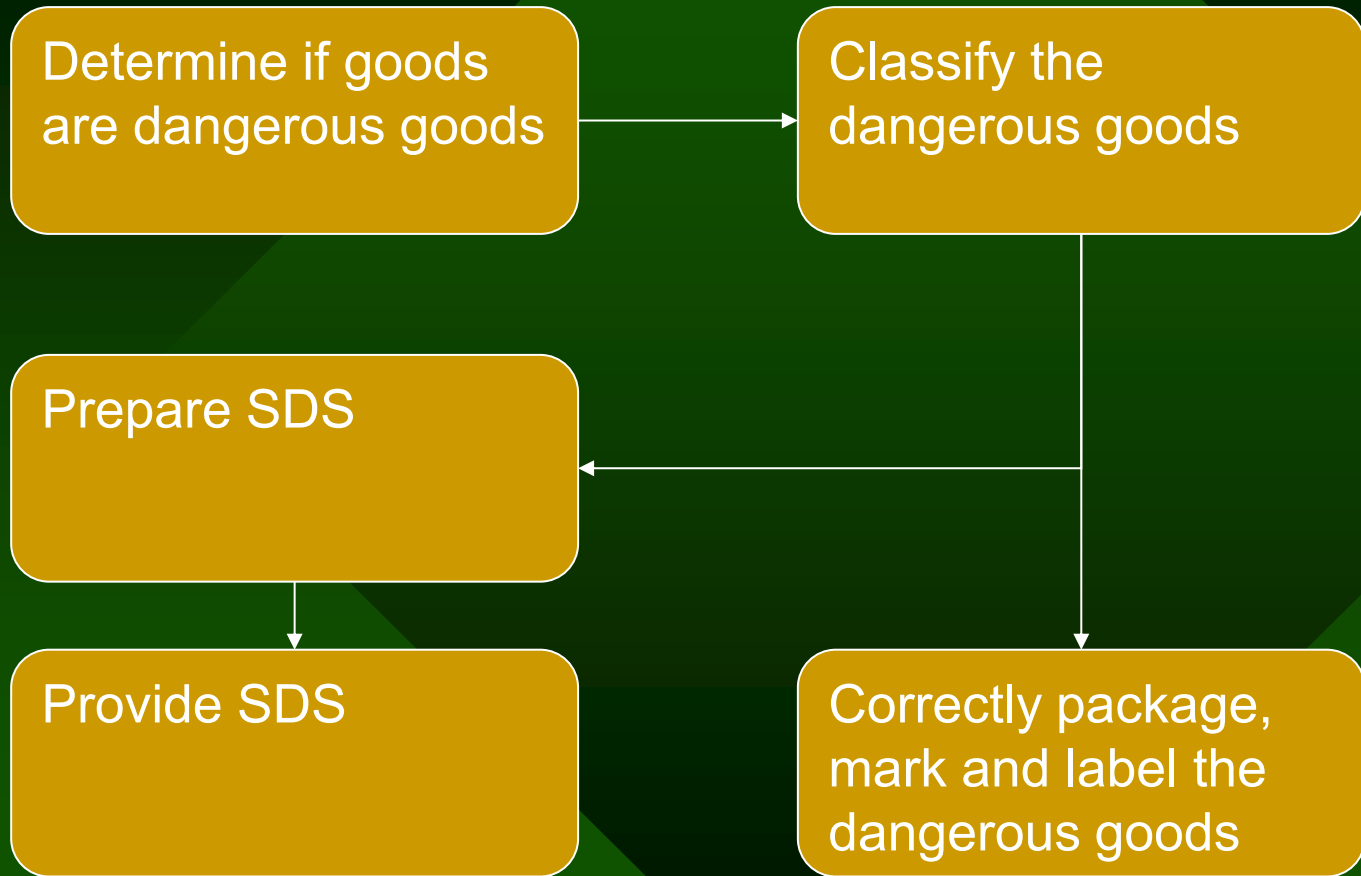
- “Subsidiary Risk” became “Subsidiary Hazard”
- Various classification changes and new UN Numbers adopted

- ADG 7.9 – inclusion of UN Nos. for Sodium Ion Batteries, and other minor changes

Dangerous Goods in the Workplace

- Under VIC DG (Storage & Handling) Regulations
- Equivalent obligations in:
 - WHS Regulations (all states except VIC & WA): Schedule 11 hazardous chemicals
 - WA Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations

Duties of manufacturers and suppliers



Duties of Occupier (or PCBU)

- Consultation
- Induction & training
- Obtain SDSs
- DG Register
- Safety signage / placarding
- Packaging & marking
- Hazard identification & risk control
- Stability
- Isolation / Segregation
- Bunding
- Transfer
- Ignition sources
- Security
- Emergency planning / Incident response
- Fire protection

Dangerous Goods Register

- Required for all Dangerous Goods Locations
- List of product names of all Hazardous Substances in the workplace, including Dangerous Goods and combustible liquids
- Accompanied by the current SDS
- Can (should!) be combined with Hazardous Substance Register

DG & Hazardous Substance Register

Supplier	Product	Issue Date	Expiry Date	Eye Hazard	Skin Hazard	Inhalation	Ingestion	DG Class
BOC Gases	Argoshield Light	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	No	No	No	No	2.2 Non-Flammable Non-Toxic Gas
BOC Gases	Oxygen, Compressed	19/08/2021	19/08/2026	No	No	No	No	2.2 Non-Flammable Non-Toxic Gas
bp	Automotive Diesel Fuel	14/05/2021	13/05/2026	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Combustible Liquid
bp	Regular Unleaded Petrol	26/05/2021	26/05/2026	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 Flammable Liquid
Castrol	Activ 2T	24/03/2025	24/03/2030	No	No	No	No	No
Cement Australia	Blended Cement	24/03/2023	23/03/2028	No	No	No	No	No
Recochem	Methylated Spirits	31/01/2022	30/01/2027	Yes	No	No	Yes	3 Flammable Liquid
Redox	Sodium Nitrate	28/03/2023	27/03/2028	Yes	No	No	No	5.1 Oxidiser

Threshold Quantities (Victoria)

- Three thresholds are defined in the Dangerous Goods (Storage and Handling) Regulations
 - Placarding Quantity
 - Manifest Quantity
 - Fire Protection Quantity
- The quantities are given in Schedule 2 of the Regulations

Schedule 2 (extract)

Dangerous Goods (Storage and Handling) Regulations 2022
S.R. No. 115/2022

Schedule 2—Quantities of dangerous goods

<i>Column 1</i>	<i>Column 2</i>	<i>Column 3</i>	<i>Column 4</i>	<i>Column 5</i>	<i>Column 6</i>
<i>Item</i>	<i>Description of Dangerous Goods</i>	<i>Packing Group</i>	<i>Placarding Quantity</i>	<i>Manifest Quantity</i>	<i>Fire Protection Quantity</i>
		II	250 kg or L	2500 kg or L	10 000 kg or L
		III	1000 kg or L	10 000 kg or L	20 000 kg or L
		Mixed Packing Groups in a single UN Class with the quantity of each Packing Group below the specified quantity for the Packing Group.	1000 kg or L	10 000 kg or L	20 000 kg or L

Threshold Quantities – WHS States

- Classified using GHS Categories for Physical Hazards
 - Largely aligned with DG classes
- Thresholds are slightly different
 - Placarding Quantity
 - Manifest Quantity
 - There is no Fire Protection Quantity
- The quantities are given in Schedule 11 of the WHS Regulations

WHS Regs Schedule 11 (extract)

Schedule 11—Placard and manifest quantities

(regulations 347 to 350, 361, 390 and 391)

10		Category 4	10 000 L	10 000 L
11	Self-reactive substances	Type A	5 kg or 5 L	50 kg or 50 L
12		Type B	50 kg or 50 L	500 kg or 500 L
13		Type C to F	250 kg or 250 L	2 500 kg or 2 500 L
14	Flammable solids	Category 1	250 kg	2 500 kg
15		Category 2	1 000 kg	10 000 kg
16		Any combination of chemicals from Items 12 to 15 where none of the items exceeds the quantities in columns 4 or 5 on their own	1 000 kg or 1 000 L	10 000 kg or 10 000 L
17	Pyrophoric liquids and pyrophoric solids	Category 1	50 kg or 50 L	500 kg or 500 L
18		Category 1	250 kg or 250 L	2 500 kg or 2 500 L

Threshold Quantities – WA



- Quantities are as per Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations, Schedule 1:
 - Placarding Quantity
 - Manifest Quantity
 - 10 x DG manifest quantity requires DFES Emergency Response Guide (except petrol stations and mine sites).
- Continues under WA WHS legislation.

Threshold Quantities – WA (Schedule 1)



Table

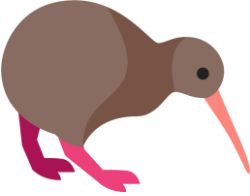
Item	Description of dangerous goods	Packing group	Placarding quantity	Manifest quantity
1.	Division 2.1 except aerosols	N/A	500 L	5 000 L
2.	Division 2.2 except aerosols	N/A	1 000 L	10 000 L
3.	Division 2.3	N/A	50 L	500 L
4.	Division 2.1 and 2.2 aerosols	N/A	5 000 L	10 000 L
5.	Any one of Class 3, Division 4.1, 4.2 or 4.3, Division 5.1 or 5.2, Division 6.1, Class 8 or Class 9, or any combination of those classes or divisions	I	50 kg or L	500 kg or L
		II and III (aggregate)	1 000 kg or L	10 000 kg or L
		I, II and III (aggregate) where quantity of goods in packing group I does not exceed 50 kg or L	1 000 kg or L	10 000 kg or L
6.	Goods too dangerous to transport	N/A	5 kg or L	50 kg or L

Source: WA Dangerous Goods Safety (Storage and Handling of Non-explosives) Regulations 2007, Schedule 1 — Quantities of dangerous goods

NZ HSW (HS) Regs

Schedule 3

Quantities of hazardous substances that require signage

Hazard classification	Description	Quantity
 1	Fireworks subject to the Hazardous Substances (Fireworks) Regulations 2001	1 000 kg (gross weight)
	Safety ammunition, including pre-primed cartridges and primers, of class 1.4S	10 000 kg (gross weight)
	Airbag initiators and seatbelt pretensioners of classes 1.4G and 1.4S	5 000 kg (gross weight)
	Cable cutters of class 1.4S (UN 0070)	5 000 kg (gross weight)
	Power device cartridges of class 1.4S (UN 0323)	5 000 kg (gross weight)
	Signal or shock tubes of class 1.4S (UN 0349)	5 000 kg (gross weight)
	Cassette degradation devices of class 1.4S (UN 0432)	5 000 kg (gross weight)
	Propellants of class 1.1C (UN 0160) and 1.3C (UN 0161 and UN 0499), gun-powder of class 1.1D (UN 0027), and substances of classes 1.3G, 1.4G, and 1.4S not listed above	50 kg
	All remaining explosive hazardous classifications	Any quantity
	2.1.1A Non-permanent gas	250 kg
2.1.1B	Permanent gas	100 m ³
	Non-permanent gas	500 kg
2.1.2A	Permanent gas	200 m ³
	Aerosol	3 000 L aggregate water capacity
3.1A, 3.2A, 4.1.3A, 4.2A, 4.3A (HRC000003, HSR000073, HSR001442) petrol, F10	Liquid	50 L
	Solid	50 kg
	Liquid	250 L

- Schedule 4 Quantities of hazardous substances that require fire extinguishers
- Schedule 5 Threshold quantities for emergency response plan

Major Hazard Facilities

- Regulations in all States and Territories, and NZ
- Apply to very large chemical facilities, e.g. gas plants, oil refineries, chemical and petrochemical plants, large terminals
 - Arose following Longford VIC Gas Plant explosion, 1998
- MHFs licensed by state workplace regulators
 - Based on quantities of Dangerous Goods / Hazardous Chemicals, measured in tonnes

Major Hazard Facilities

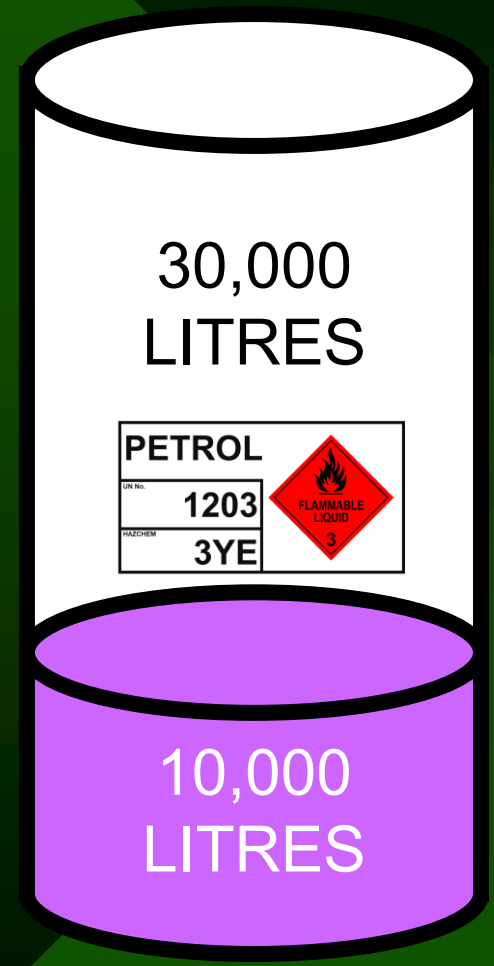
Table 15.2

Column 1		Column 2	Column 3
Item	Hazardous chemical	Description	Threshold quantity (tonnes)
1	Explosive materials	Explosive of Division 1.1A	10
		All other explosives of Division 1.1	50
		Explosive of Division 1.2	200
		Explosive of Division 1.3	200
2	Compressed and liquefied gases	Compressed or liquefied gases of Division 2.1 or Subsidiary Risk 2.1	200
		Liquefied gases of Subsidiary Risk 5	200
		Compressed or liquefied gases that meet the criteria for Very Toxic in table 15.3	20
		Compressed or liquefied gases that meet the criteria for Toxic in table 15.3	200
3	Flammable materials	Liquids that meet the criteria for Class 3 Packing Group I Materials (except for crude oil in remote locations)	200
		Crude oil in remote locations that meet the criteria for Class 3 Packing Group I	2 000
		Liquids that meet the criteria for Class 3 Packing Group II or III	50 000

Extract from SA WHS Regulations, Schedule 15

Quantity Measurement Bulk

- Non liquid – the mass (kgs) the container is designed to hold
- Liquid – the design capacity of the container in litres
 - In example: 30,000 litres
- Gas – total capacity of the container
- Solids not in container – undivided mass in kgs



Quantity Measurement Packaged

- Non liquid – net mass (kgs) in container
- Liquid – net capacity of the container
- Gas – Total capacity of the container

Quantity Measurement - Articles

- The net quantity of that part of the article that is Dangerous Goods



350g NET



$$\begin{aligned} 12 \times 350 \text{ g} \\ = 4,200 \text{ g} \\ = 4.2 \text{ Kg} \end{aligned}$$

Minor Quantities

- No substance or group of substances on site exceeds placarding quantity
- Ensure containers are properly labelled
- Maintain Register and SDSs
- Provide suitable PPE
- Ensure adequate segregation
- Ensure suitable spill management
- Provide training
- Provide security
- Manage waste disposal

Placard Quantities

- Placard site and storage facilities
- Identify hazards
- Perform risk assessment
- Take risk control measures
 - Storage and handling
 - Transfer
 - Segregation
 - Ignition sources
 - Spill control
 - Ventilation



Manifest Quantity

1. Notification to workplace safety regulator

- VIC requires 2-yearly update to WorkSafe
 - (Changed from 5-yearly on 1 July 2021)
- Licence required in SA, WA
- See regulator websites in other States

2. Prepare Manifest

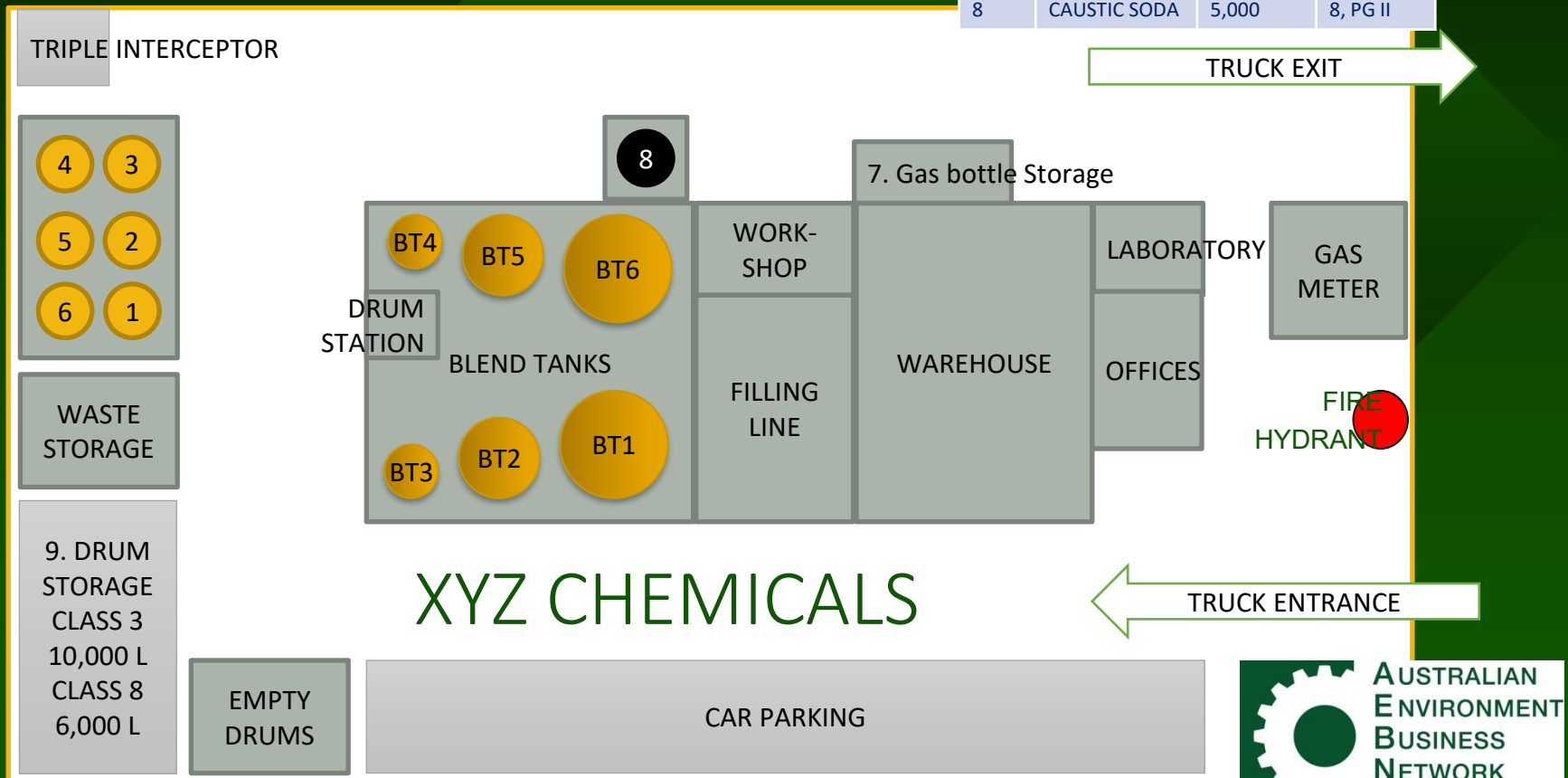
- Shows location of storage facilities and quantities in each store

3. Prepare written Emergency Plan

- (Approved by Fire Authority – VIC)

Dangerous Goods Manifest

TANK	PRODUCT	VOL. (L)	DG CLASS
1	MEK	10,000	3, PG II
2	WHITE SPIRIT	20,000	3, PG III
3	WASTE OIL	20,000	C2
4	HEATING OIL	30,000	C1
5	BASE OIL 150	55,000	C2
6	BASE OIL 460	55,000	C2`
8	CAUSTIC SODA	5,000	8, PG II



Emergency Information Book (Victoria)

FIRE RESCUE VICTORIA

EMERGENCY INFORMATION BOOK

NOTE: It is the responsibility of the owner/occupier of the premises to ensure that the information contained in this book is relevant and up to date.
"Copyright and dangerous goods labels on material"

SIGHTED BY: _____

REG NO: _____

DATE: _____

SITE LAYOUT DRAWINGS <i>including</i> FIRE PROTECTION DRAWINGS	1
DANGEROUS GOODS LOCATION DRAWING <i>and</i> RELATED MANIFEST	2
ON & OFF SITE EMERGENCY CONTACT LIST	3
EVACUATION POINTS WARDEN IDENTIFICATION	4
SAFETY DATA SHEETS & ADDITIONAL RESOURCES	5

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- <https://www.frv.vic.gov.au/dangerous-goods-0>
- <https://www.frv.vic.gov.au/sites/default/files/2021-04/EIB%20Information.pdf>

Fire Protection Quantity (VIC only)

- Obtain written report from Fire Brigade re adequacy of fire protection services

DFES Emergency Response Guides (FES-ERGs – WA only)



- Required at sites that store or handle more than 10 x manifest quantity (except petrol stations and mine sites).
- Designed to provide essential information to the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) for use in an emergency at larger dangerous goods sites.

Segregation

- Segregation of chemicals in a warehouse, is of critical importance to the manager and the operator.
- Principally achieved by Class
- Sub-hazards must also be considered when determining segregation

- **Some interactions can be violent.**
Nitric Acid (Class 8 - Corrosive/Class 5.1 Oxidising Agent) + Ethanol (Class 3 - Flammable Liquid) will lead to an explosion with the liberation of fumes of nitrous oxide, acetaldehyde and formaldehyde.
- **Some interactions can liberate very poisonous gases.**
Hydrochloric Acid (Class 8 - Corrosive) + Sodium Cyanide (Class 6.1 - Poison) will liberate extremely poisonous Hydrogen Cyanide.
- **Some interactions can liberate heat and acid fumes.**
Sulphuric Acid (Class 8 - Corrosive) + Sodium Hydroxide (Class 8 - Corrosive) will liberate much heat and fumes.

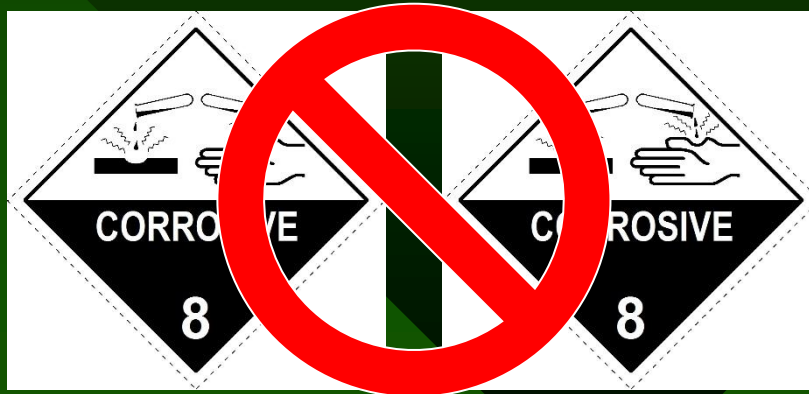
Segregation

- Flammables



- Oxidisers

- Corrosives
– Acids



- Corrosives
– Alkalis

Segregation

- See Appendix 2 of the Code of practice for the storage and handling of dangerous goods (VIC)

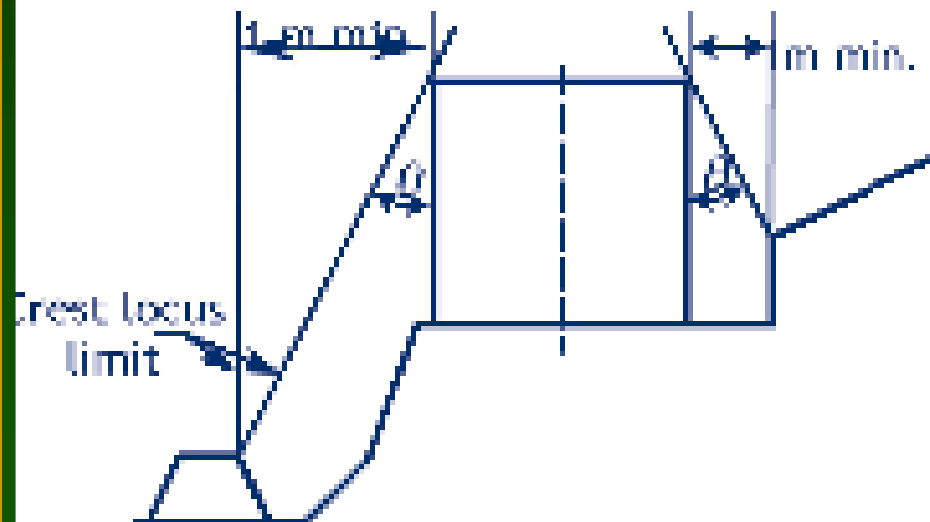
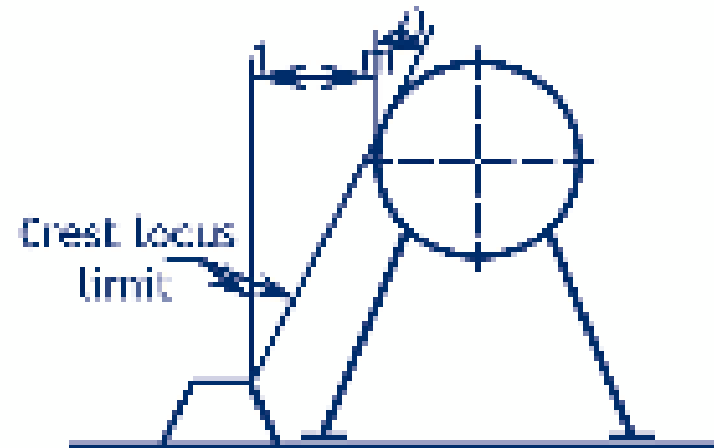
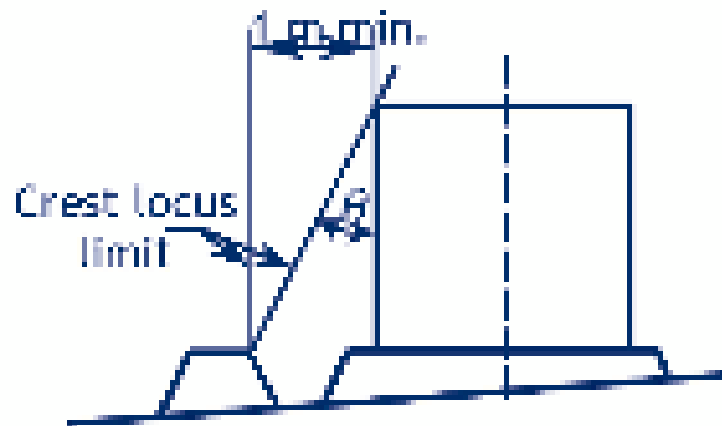
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2.2 	E	A	B	E	E	E	E	B	E	B	B	B
2.3 	C	B	A	C	C	C	C	C	C	B	B	B
3 	B	E	C	A	B	D	B	D	D	C	B	B
4.1 	B	E	C	B	A	D	B	D	D	C	B	B
4.2 	D	E	C	D	D	A	B	D	D	C	B	B
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Bunding – Package Storage

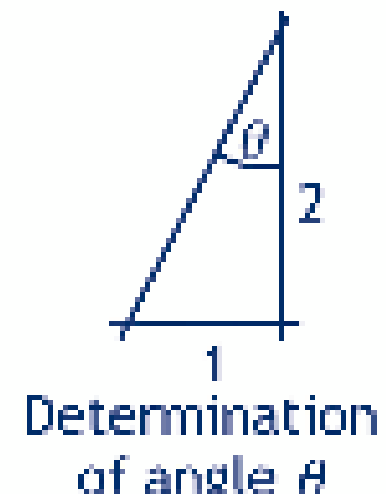
- The capacity of the spillage containment compound shall be at least 100% of the volume of the largest package, plus 25% of the storage capacity up to 10 000 L, together with 10% of the storage capacity between 10 000 L and 100 000 L, and 5% above 100 000 L.
 - Source: AS 1940:2017, part 4.4.3(d) Spillage containment

NOTE: Allowance must also be made for fire and storm water if appropriate

Bunding – Bulk Storage



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Other matters to consider

- Transit storage
- Site plan
- Hazmat box and its location

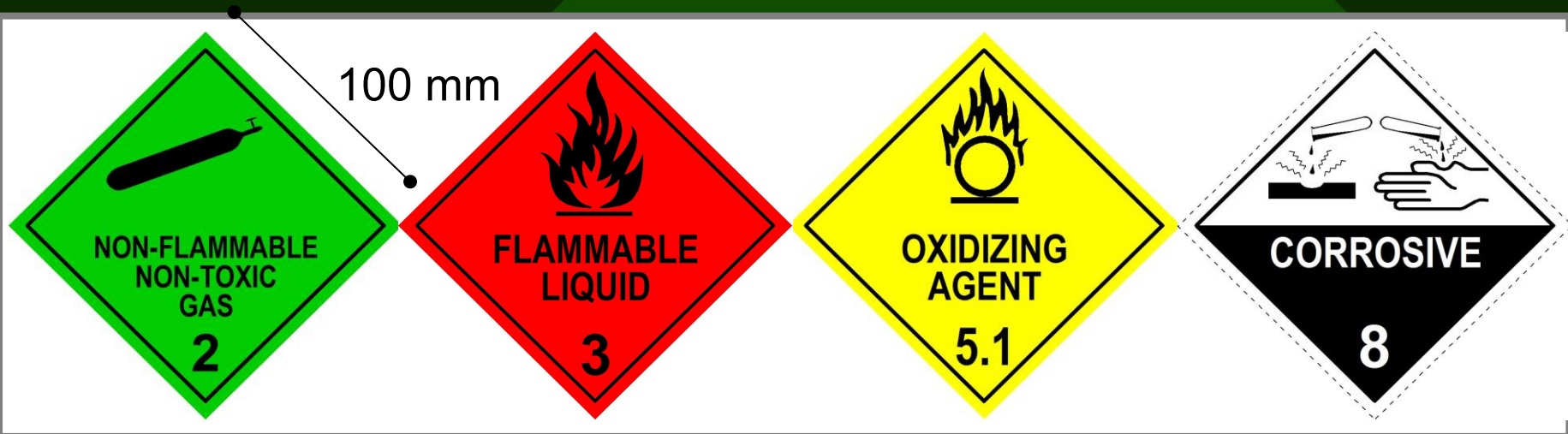
Placarding for Storage

- There are four ‘types’ of placard under the Dangerous Good Regulations – these are:
 - Outer warning placards;
 - Information placards for stated Dangerous Goods in tanks;
 - Information placards for stated Dangerous Goods in packages; and
 - Information placards for stated combustible liquids in tanks or packages.

Outer Warning Placard



Package Store Placard



Bulk Tank Placard

**AMMONIA,
ANHYDROUS**

50 mm
50 mm

UN No.

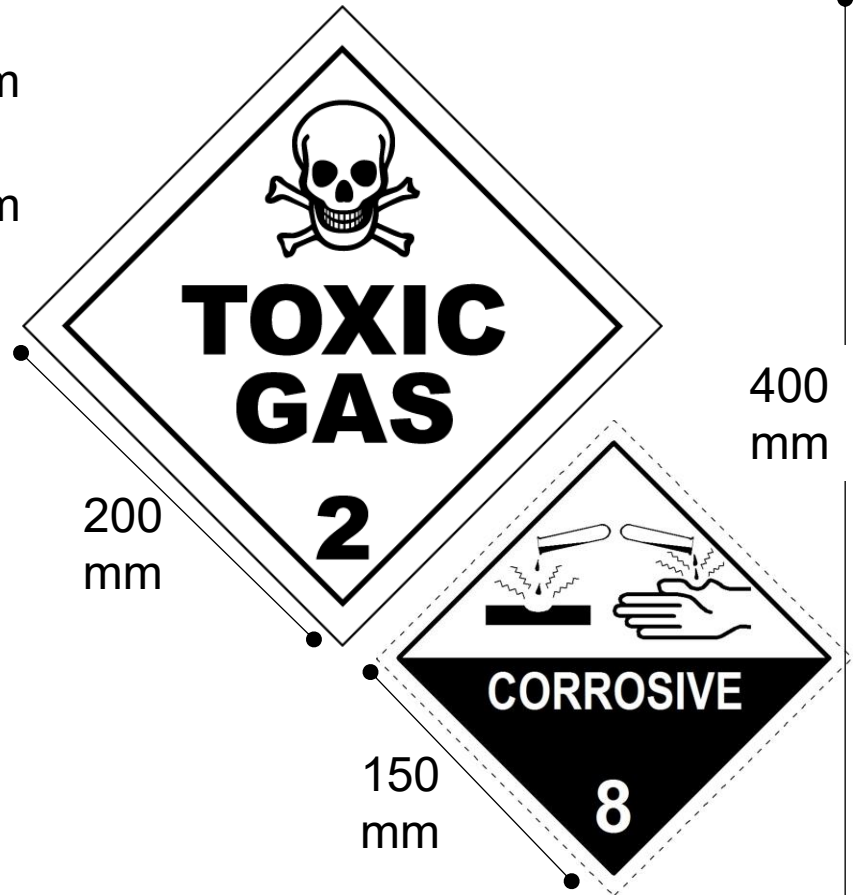
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800 mm

Combustible Liquid Placard

(GHS: Flammable Liquid Category 4)

COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID

100 mm
Lettering

- Placard quantity is 10,000 litres
- Applies to diesel fuel storage (above-ground only)

New Zealand Signage Format

HAZCHEM



IN CASE OF FIRE
CALL 111 – ASK
FOR FIRE
DEPARTMENT



IN CASE OF
SPILL CALL
AUCKLAND
CITY COUNCIL
POLLUTION
HOTLINE
09 377 3107

COMBUSTIBLE LIQUID
KEEP AWAY FROM IGNITION
SOURCES – NO SMOKING
TOXIC TO AQUATIC LIFE
CONTAIN SPILLS, PROTECT WATERWAYS

>10,000L BULK DIESEL

HAZCHEM

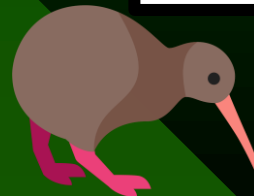


IN EMERGENCY
DIAL 111, FIRE,
POLICE OR
AMBULANCE

For urgent medical
advice: National
Poisons Centre
Dial 0800 POISON
(0800 764 766)

TOXIC TO AQUATIC LIFE
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1,000L - <10,000L BULK DIESEL



Segregation Exercise



Road and Rail Transport

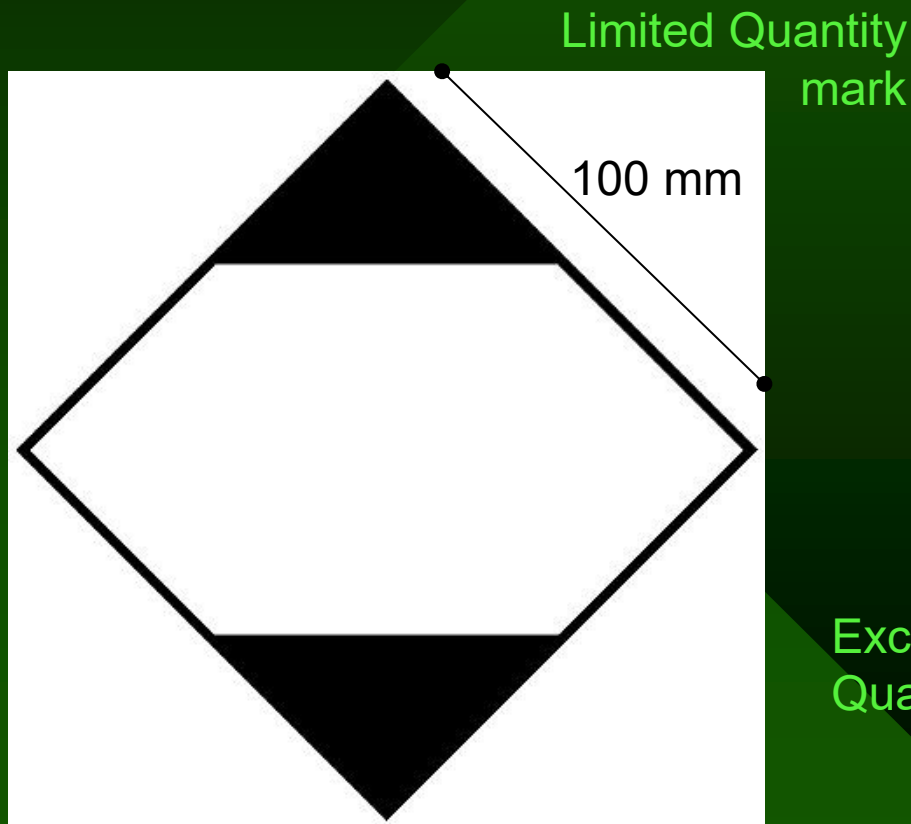
- Limited and Excepted Quantities
- Packaging
- Placard loads
- EIPs
- Shipping documentation
- Bulk transfer

Limited & Excepted Quantities

- The ADG has adopted rules for transport of Dangerous Goods in limited quantities without vehicle placarding, licensing and other controls
 - Chapter 3.4: “the transport of certain small quantities of dangerous goods may be conditionally exempt from the Regulations and this Code”.
 - Chapter 3.5 “Excepted quantities of dangerous goods of certain classes, other than articles, meeting the provisions of this Chapter are not subject to any other provisions of this Code”.
- Specific provisions apply to inner, intermediate and outer packaging, and to segregation

Limited & Excepted Quantities

- Limited Quantities are listed in Column 7a of Table 3.2.3
- Excepted quantities are in Table 3.2.3 column 7b



Limited & Excepted Quantities

Table 3.2.3: Dangerous Goods List

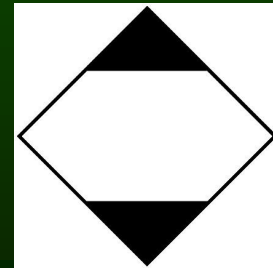
UN No. (1)	Name and Description (2)	Class or Division (3)	Subsidiary Hazard (4)	Packing Group (5)	Special Provisions (6)	Limited Quantities (7a)	Excepted Quantities (7b)	Packagings & IBCs		Portable Tanks & Bulk Containers		
								Packing Instruction (8)	Special Packing Instructions (9)	(10)	Special Provisions (11)	
Ref	3.1.2	2.0	2.0	2.0.1.3	3.3	3.4	3.5	4.1.4	4.1.4	4.2.5 4.3.2	4.2.5	
1942	AMMONIUM NITRATE, with not more than 0.2% total combustible material, including any organic substance calculated as carbon, to the exclusion of any other added substance.	5.1		III	306	5 kg	E1	P002 BC08 LP02	B3	T1 BK1 BK2 BK3	TP33	
1944	MATCHES, SAFETY (book, card or strike on box)	4.1		III	293 294	5 kg	E1	P407				
1945	MATCHES, WAX "VESTA"	4.1		III	293 294	5 kg	E1	P407				
1950	AEROSOLS	2			63 190 277 327 344	See SP 277	E0	P207 LP200	PP8 7 L2			
277 For aerosols or receptacles containing toxic substances the limited quantity value is 120 ml. For all other aerosols or receptacles the limited quantity value is 1000 ml.											75	TP5
1955	COMPRESSED GAS, TOXIC, N.O.S.	2.3			274	0	E0	P200				

Limited Quantity requirements

- LQ fully adopted from ADG7.7
- DG Transport Documentation no longer required
- Documentation to state load “**Contains Dangerous Goods Packed in Limited Quantities**”.
- Placarding requirements also changed.
- Concessions extend to Domestic Consumable DGs for retail, including:
 - party poppers;
 - sparklers and bon-bons),
 - domestic smoke detectors,
 - lighters and lighter refills, &
 - portable fire extinguishers with compressed or liquefied gas up to 23kg gross weight.

Placard load – LQ or DC

- A load that contains Limited quantity and / or domestic consumable DGs that :
 - **Includes** aggregate quantity of **any 1** UN number from a single place of consignment:
 - **≥ 2,000 L or Kg**
 - **Does not include** aggregate quantity of any 1 UN number from a single place of consignment:
 - **≥ 8,000 L or Kg**
- See ADG 7.9 Table 5.3, NOTE 5, or p. 14-15 of NTC Guidance document, Consigning and transporting dangerous goods packed in limited quantities.



Overpacks

- An enclosure containing one or more Dangerous Goods packages – e.g.:
 - pallet secured by shrink wrapping or similar,
 - protective outer packaging such as a crate.
- The word “OVERPACK” should be displayed in lettering at least 12 mm high.
 - NOT required on overpacks for road or rail transport within Australia only.

OVERPACK

Overpacks

- Packages must be secured to minimise damage during transport.
- Incompatible DGs must not be transported together unless LQ provisions are met.
- Overpack must be labelled with proper shipping name, UN number and marks for all DGs,
 - OR
- With the Limited Quantity mark.

Overpacks



Intermediate packaging

- Compulsory for limited quantities ...
 - ... of class 8, PGII in glass, porcelain or stoneware
 - ... in inner packagings that are liable to break or be easily punctured, e.g. glass, porcelain, stoneware or certain plastics.
 - ADG7.9 clause 3.4.2.3
- Absorbent material required for liquids

Intermediate packaging



Licencing

- A DG driver's licence AND a DG vehicle licence are required to transport DGs:
 - In a receptacle with capacity > 500 L or KG
 - A licence is not required to transport DGs in IBCs with a total capacity > 3,000 L that are not packed or unpacked on the vehicle.

ADG uses container based approach

- Large packagings
 - Capacity $\leq 3 \text{ m}^3$, containing
 - i. articles or inner packaging with net mass $>400 \text{ kg}$, or
 - ii. total capacities $>450 \text{ L}$
- Bulk containers (solids, $>1 \text{ m}^3$ capacity)
- Portable tanks ($>450 \text{ L}$)
- IBCs (Intermediate Bulk Containers, $\leq 3,000 \text{ L}$)
- Tank vehicles
- Multiple element gas containers (MEGCs)
- Gas cylinders
- Pressure drums

MEGCs



Aggregate Quantity

- The total of
 - a) the number of kilograms of:
 - i. solid dangerous goods; and
 - ii. articles (including aerosols); and
 - b) the number of litres or kilograms, whichever is used in the transport documentation to describe the goods, of liquid dangerous goods; and
 - c) the total capacity in litres of receptacles containing dangerous goods of Class 2 (except aerosols).

Placard load (other than LQ/DC)

- Dangerous goods in a receptacle with a capacity of >500 L or Kg, OR
- Aggregate quantity of DGs of ≥ 250 L or Kg that includes —
 - Division 2.1 Flammable Gases (except aerosols), OR
 - Division 2.3 Toxic Gases; OR
 - Dangerous goods in any class of Packing Group I, OR
- Division 6.2
 - Class A – all quantities
 - Other classes – ≥ 10 KG/L, OR
- Aggregate quantity of DGs (other than LQ) of $\geq 1,000$ L or Kg

Segregation of dangerous goods in road vehicles and freight containers

NOTES:

9 Refer to the Australian Code for the Transport of Dangerous Goods by Road & Rail.

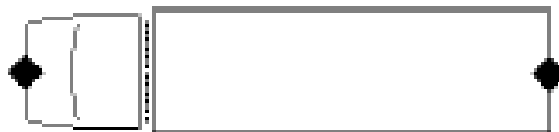
Placarding of Package Vehicles

- A vehicle carrying a Placard Load must be placarded with:
 - If one Class:
 - A Class Label (and sub-hazard if applicable) at the FRONT & REAR
 - If more than one Class:
 - Mixed Class Label
 - OR
 - all Individual Class Labels
- Non-placard loads may be placarded

Vehicle Placarding – Packaged DGs

Figure 5.3.6(a): Road vehicles and combination road vehicles transporting dangerous goods in:

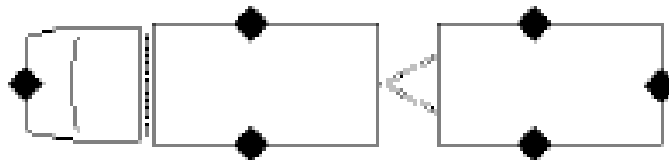
- (i) cylinders, packages, large packages, overpacks; or
- (ii) pressure drums, tubes or IBCs each ≤ 500 kg(L).



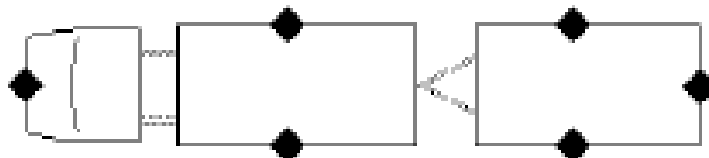
RIGID TRUCK



SEMI-TRAILER



TRUCK-TRAILER



B-DOUBLE

Placarding of Bulk Vehicles

- Rule 1:
 - All vehicles carrying Bulk Dangerous Goods must be placarded
- Rule 2:
 - The placards must be clearly visible at all times during transport

Placarded Bulk Vehicles

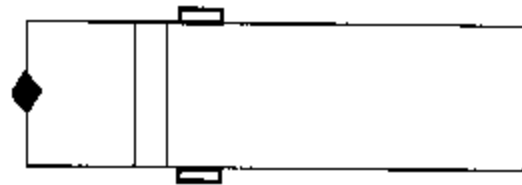
Bulk Dangerous Goods

- Front of the vehicle
 - Class label (and sub-hazard if applicable)
 - If more than one class,
 - The mixed Class Label, or
 - Individual Class Labels
- Both sides and the rear
 - Emergency information panels - either;
 - Individual EIP
 - Mixed load (refined petroleum product) EIP, or
 - Multi-load EIP



Vehicle Placarding Bulk DGs (including IBCs)

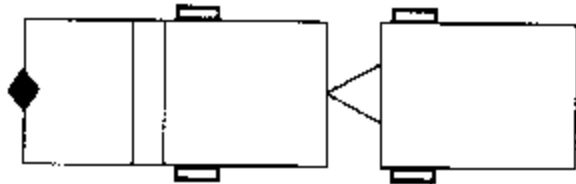
(b) Road Tank Vehicle or Combination transporting Dangerous Goods in Bulk



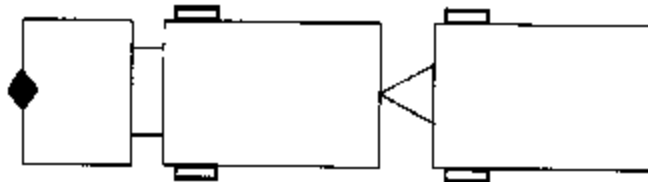
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TRUCK-TRAILER



B-DOUBLE

Emergency Information Panel (EIP)

PETROL

100
mm

UN No.

100
mm

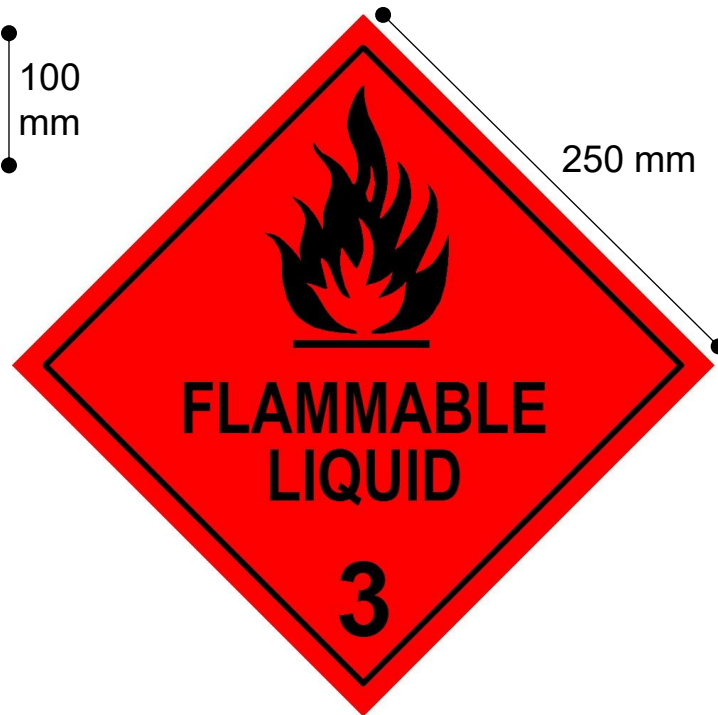
1203

HAZCHEM

100
mm

3YE

IN EMERGENCY, DIAL
**000, POLICE OR
FIRE BRIGADE**



250 mm

600
mm

SPECIALIST ADVICE
XYZ FUEL COMPANY
1800-005-411

800 mm

Emergency Information Panel (EIP)

**NITRIC ACID,
RED FUMING**

50 mm

50 mm

UN No.

2032

HAZCHEM

2PE

**IN EMERGENCY, DIAL
000, POLICE OR FIRE
BRIGADE**

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200
mm



150
mm



Placarding Mixed Load Vehicles

Dangerous Goods in both Bulk and Packages aboard same vehicle

- Same Class
 - Mark as for bulk of that Class
- Different Classes
 - Front and rear – mixed Class Label
 - Both sides and rear
 - Emergency information panels appropriate to the bulk Dangerous Goods aboard

Use of Multi-Load EIPs

- Where a multi-compartment tanker contains Dangerous Goods that are not the same –
 - All EIPs to be Multi-load
- Where a vehicle carries portable bulk containers holding different Dangerous Goods –
 - Enclosed vehicle – All Panels Multi-load
 - Open vehicle – Rear panel Multi-load (provided EIPs on containers visible from sides)

Mixed Load EIP

UN No.

MULTI-LOAD

HAZCHEM

3YE

IN EMERGENCY, DIAL
**000, POLICE OR
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Placements of EIPs

Side Panels

- On a vehicle (includes tankers):
 - As close as possible to the front
- On a Bulk Container or Freight Container:
 - Any position

Rear Panel

- Any position as long as clearly visible

All EIPs must be in a substantially vertical plane

Lower edge at least 450mm above the ground

EIPs on Bulk Containers

- IBCs may have smaller Emergency Information Panels
 - i.e. 400mm x 300mm
- If EIPs attached to IBC visible from both sides – no further EIPs needed on sides of truck or trailer
- Fully complying EIP, i.e. 800mm x 600mm, required on the rear



Placarding Bulk Containers

- Must be placarded on each side with an emergency information panel (EIP)
- An EIP must also be visible from the rear

Placarding Freight Containers carrying a Placard Load

Packaged Dangerous Goods

- Same Class and UN No
 - Class, sub-hazard (if applicable), & UN No
- Same Class but different UN Nos
 - Class and sub-hazard (if applicable)
- Different Classes
 - Either or both of –
 - Mixed Class labels
 - Class labels for each of the Dangerous Goods

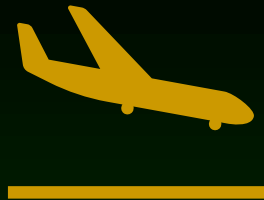
Bulk Dangerous Goods

- Emergency information panels

Removal of EIPs

- EIPs must be removed from containers which have been purged
- Rear EIP on a bitumen spray vehicle may be removed during spraying operations

Container Placarding for transport by sea and air



Completed
example for
UN 1300
Turpentine
Substitute



or

Figure 5.3.3: Examples of display of UN numbers

This type of labelling is required for transport by sea (IMDG Code) and air (IATA / ICAO).

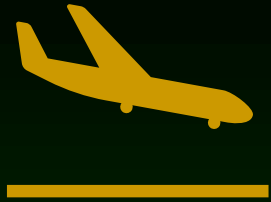
It DOES NOT apply to consignments of dangerous goods being transported only by road or rail within Australia.

Intermodal containers can be transported to and from ports if they have been placarded in accordance with IMDG or IATA Regulations.

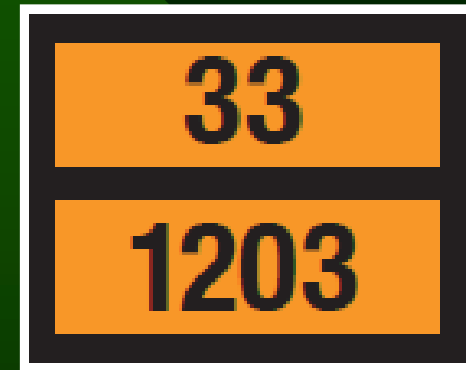
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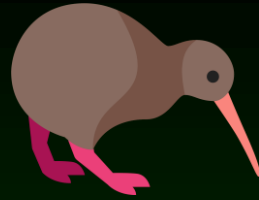
Container Placarding for transport by sea and air



- European and some South American intermodal bulk containers may display a Hazard identification number in the top half of an orange panel, with the 4-digit UN number in the bottom half.
- The first digit indicates the primary hazard, the second and third digit generally indicate secondary hazards.
 - Doubling of a digit indicates an intensification of that particular hazard (i.e. 33, 66, 88)
 - Where the hazard associated with a substance can be adequately indicated by a single figure, this is followed by a zero. (i.e., 30, 40, 50)
 - • A hazard identification number prefixed by the letter 'X', indicates that the substance will react dangerously with water. (i.e., X88)



NZ Road Transport Placards



- Loaders and drivers must placard vehicles and freight containers ... whenever the load is over 50 kilograms or 50 litres.
- The only exception to this is if the load is dangerous goods in excepted quantities or excepted packages of radioactive material, transported in accordance with clause 2.9 of the rule.
- Examples of dangerous goods placards:



Source: <https://nzta.govt.nz/driver-licences/getting-a-licence/licences-by-vehicle-type/transporting-dangerous-or-hazardous-goods/dangerous-goods-carried-by-transport-operators/>

Vehicle Placarding Exercise

Shipping Documentation

- Required for all DG loads except LQ / DC
- Must be:
 - In English
 - In hard copy
 - Carried in an emergency information container

Shipping Documentation (Cont...)

- DG and non-DG may be entered on the same document; however, DG must be entered first
- On a multi-trailer vehicle (e.g. B-Double), documents should indicate which goods are stored on each unit
- Tankers should carry a run-sheet indicating approximately how much product is remaining

Shipping Documentation (Cont...)

Documentation is made up of two parts

- **Product Information**
- **Emergency Information**

Product Information

1. Proper shipping name
2. Class and Sub-hazard (if applicable)
3. UN No.
4. Packing Group
5. Total quantity
6. For Bulk: (Portable)
 - Description of each type of container e.g. 'IBC' and number of containers
7. For Packages:
 - Description of each type of package e.g. 'drum' and number of packages

Example transport document

Appendix 1 – Example of acceptable transport document

Consignor: ABC Chemical Company
950 Smith Street
Kwinana WA 6168
Telephone: 1800 999 999 (24 hour access)

Consignee: XYZ Co-op
30 Main Street
Albany WA 6330

Proper shipping name of dangerous goods	Class / Division	Sub-risk	UN number	Packing Group	Type of package or receptacle	Number of packages or receptacles	Quantity (kg or litres)
Petrol	3	N/A	1203	II	Portable tank	1	20,000 L
Chloropicrin	6.1	N/A	1580	I	200 L steel drums	2	400 L
Pesticides, liquid, toxic, flammable, NOS	6.1	3	2903	III	20 L plastic drums	7	140 L

Prepared by: John Smith Vehicle registration: Received by: Date:

Emergency Information

- Approved types include:
 - Australian & New Zealand Emergency Response Guide Book 2024
 - Australian emergency contact information MUST be included
- Dangerous Goods – Initial Emergency Response Guide (HB 76:2010, SAI Global) is no longer used

Australian & New Zealand Emergency Response Guide Book 2024

GUIDE 125 GASES - TOXIC AND/OR CORROSIVE

POTENTIAL HAZARDS

HEALTH

- **TOXIC and/or CORROSIVE**; may be fatal if inhaled, ingested or absorbed through skin.
- Vapours are extremely irritating and corrosive.
- Contact with gas or liquefied gas may cause burns, severe injury and/or frostbite.
- Fire will produce irritating, corrosive and/or toxic gases.
- Runoff from fire control or dilution water may cause environmental contamination.

FIRE OR EXPLOSION

- Some may burn but none ignite readily.
- Vapours from liquefied gas are initially heavier than air and spread along ground.
- Some of these materials may react violently with water.
- Cylinders exposed to fire may vent and release toxic and/or corrosive gas through pressure relief devices.
- Containers may explode when heated.
- Ruptured cylinders may rocket.
- For UN1005: Anhydrous ammonia, at high concentrations in confined spaces, presents a flammability risk if a source of ignition is introduced.

PUBLIC SAFETY

- **CALL EMERGENCY RESPONSE telephone number on transport documents first.** If documents not available or no answer, refer to appropriate telephone number listed on the inside back cover.
- Keep unauthorized personnel away.
- Stay upwind, uphill and/or upstream.
- Many gases are heavier than air and will spread along the ground and collect in low or confined areas (sewers, basements, tanks, etc.).
- Ventilate closed spaces before entering, but only if properly trained and equipped.

PROTECTIVE CLOTHING

- Wear positive pressure self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA).
- Wear chemical protective clothing that is specifically recommended by the manufacturer **when there is NO RISK OF FIRE**.
- Structural firefighters' protective clothing provides thermal protection but **only limited chemical protection**.

EVACUATION

Immediate precautionary measure

- Isolate spill or leak area for at least 100 metres (330 feet) in all directions.

Spill

- For **highlighted materials**: see Table 1 - Initial Isolation and Protective Action Distances.
- For non-highlighted materials: increase the immediate precautionary measure distance, in the downwind direction, as necessary.

Fire

- If tank, rail tank car or road tanker is involved in a fire, **ISOLATE** for 1600 metres (1 mile) in all directions; also, consider initial evacuation for 1600 metres (1 mile) in all directions.

GASES - TOXIC AND/OR CORROSIVE GUIDE 125

EMERGENCY RESPONSE

FIRE

Small Fire

- Dry chemical or CO₂.

Large Fire

- Water spray, fog or regular foam.
- If it can be done safely, move undamaged containers away from the area around the fire.
- Do not get water inside containers.
- Damaged cylinders should be handled only by specialists.

Fire Involving Tanks

- Fight fire from maximum distance or use unmanned master stream devices or monitor nozzles.
- Cool containers with flooding quantities of water until well after fire is out.
- Do not direct water at source of leak or safety devices; icing may occur.
- Withdraw immediately in case of rising sound from venting safety devices or discolouration of tank.
- **ALWAYS** stay away from tanks in direct contact with flames.

SPILL OR LEAK

- Do not touch or walk through spilled material.
- Stop leak if you can do it without risk.
- If possible, turn leaking containers so that gas escapes rather than liquid.
- Prevent entry into waterways, sewers, basements or confined areas.
- Do not direct water at spill or source of leak.
- Use water spray to reduce vapours or divert vapour cloud drift. Avoid allowing water runoff to contact spilled material.
- Isolate area until gas has dispersed.

FIRST AID

Refer to the "General First Aid" section.

Specific First Aid:

- In case of contact with liquefied gas, only medical personnel should attempt thawing frosted parts.
- In case of skin contact with hydrogen fluoride, anhydrous (UN1052), if calcium gluconate gel is available, rinse 5 minutes, then apply gel. Otherwise, continue rinsing until medical treatment is available.

Transfer of Bulk Dangerous Goods

- Positioning vehicles for transfer
- Control of ignition sources during transfer of flammables
- Bonding
- Filling levels
- Prevention of movement during transfer
- Person to remain at vehicle
- No person in cabin

Transfer of Bulk Dangerous Goods

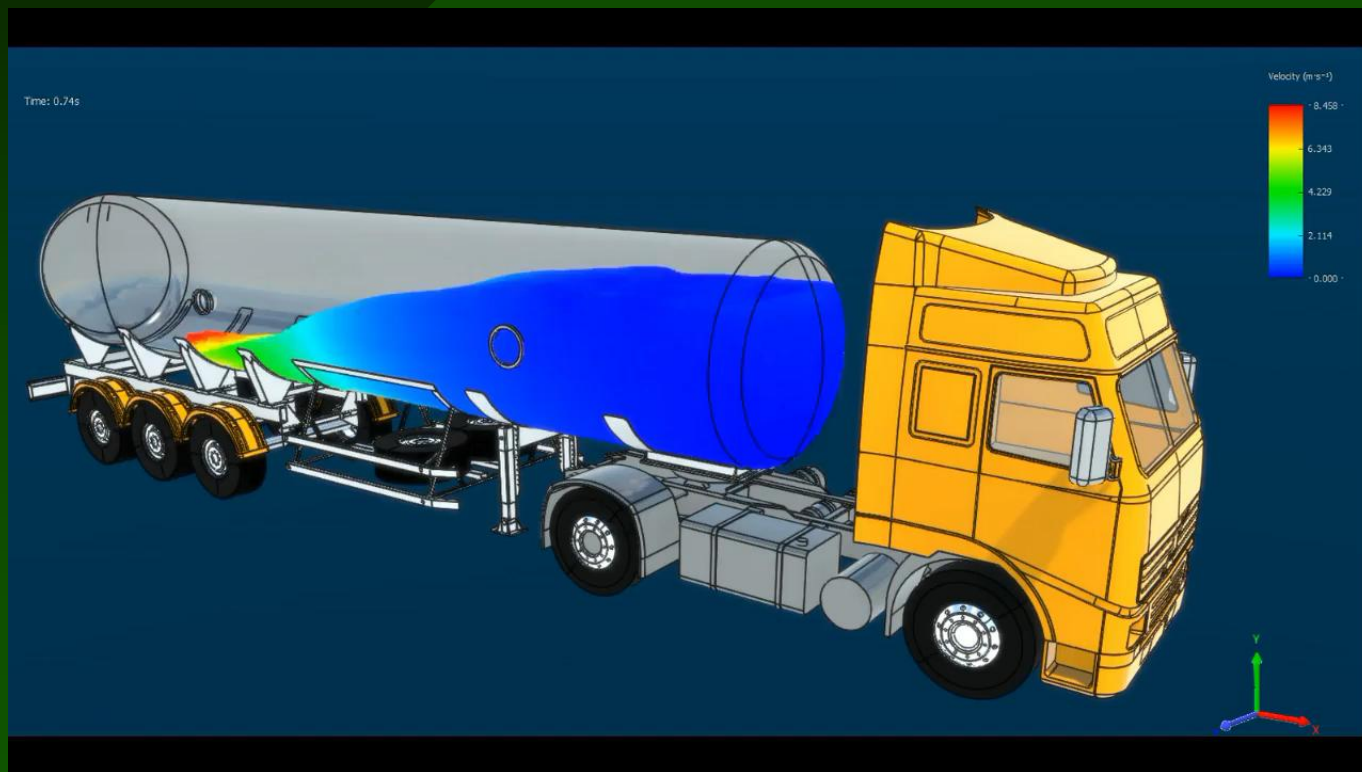
Is the Responsibility of the Transferor –
who is usually the Driver

Now includes transfer of bulk solids

Ullage Space in Container

- Any transport tank containing liquid either:
 - Single compartment of more than 8600 litres or
 - Multiple compartments any one of which exceeds 8600 litres
- Must not be driven with an ullage space of between 20% and 85%
- This rule does not apply to Class 2 Dangerous Goods or Cutback Bitumens

Ullage Space in Container



Source: Chemical Engineering World, <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=280787969884363>

Positioning of Vehicle

Two options:

1. Position so it can be driven away in a forward direction –
 - or, if not possible,
2. so it can be driven away with minimal manoeuvring

Before Transfer

- Ensure
 1. There is sufficient space in the tank to take what is being delivered
 2. Transfer hose is connected to the correct fill point
 3. No hoses to be run across areas accessible to vehicles, unless access is stopped.

Ignition Sources

- No smoking or carrying of matches or lighters, on vehicles carrying Dangerous Goods of Classes (or with sub-hazards) of 2.1, 3, 4 or 5 in bulk
- Every hose connection point must be separated from ignition sources by not less than:
 - 10 metres for Class 2.1
 - 15 metres for Class 3, being filled *into* a tanker
 - 8 metres for Class 3, being discharged *from* a tanker
 - 8 metres for Class 4 or 5

Electrical Bonding – Class 3

- Receiving tank to be electrically bonded to discharging tanker
- Bonding lead to be connected when tank being filled or emptied
- Exception – underground tanks

Vehicle Engines

- For Class (or sub-hazard) 2.1, 3 or 4, the vehicle engine must be stopped before hose connections are made.
- For all Dangerous Goods, the engine must remain stopped during discharge ...
 - ... UNLESS required for pumping.

During Transfer

- No person in the cabin
- Person must remain at the vehicle, where the operation can be observed and all valves and equipment can be operated.

After Transfer

- Make sure all valves have been closed and closures replaced

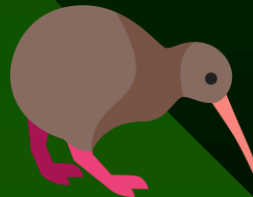
Walk around vehicle

URL - additional information

- Australian Dangerous Goods Code (ADG)
 - <http://www.ntc.gov.au/heavy-vehicles/safety/australian-dangerous-goods-code/>
- Safe Work Australia
 - www.safeworkaustralia.gov.au
- National Transport Commission – ADG Code
 - <https://www.ntc.gov.au/codes-and-guidelines/australian-dangerous-goods-code>
- UN Model Regulations for the Transport of Dangerous Goods
 - <https://unece.org/info/publications/pub/364867>
- Global Harmonisation System (GHS) – UNECE
 - https://www.unece.org/trans/danger/publi/ghs/ghs_welcome_e.html
- Labelling of Agricultural and Veterinary chemicals
 - <https://apvma.gov.au/registrations-and-permits/labelling-codes>
- Poisons Schedule (SUSMP)
 - <https://www.tga.gov.au/publication/poisons-standard-susmp>

URL - additional information

- EPA NZ – Hazardous substances classification
 - <https://www.epa.govt.nz/industry-areas/hazardous-substances/new-zealands-new-hazard-classification-system/>
- WorkSafe New Zealand – Hazardous Substances
 - <https://www.worksafe.govt.nz/topic-and-industry/hazardous-substances/>
- Hazardous Substances Toolbox
 - <https://www.hazardoussubstances.govt.nz/>
- NZ Land Transport Agency
 - <https://nzta.govt.nz/resources/rules/dangerous-goods-2005-index/>
- NZ Health and Safety at Work (Hazardous Substances) Regulations
 - <https://www.legislation.govt.nz/>



Australian & New Zealand Standards

- AS 1940–2017 The storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids
- AS 2243.2:2021 Safety in laboratories Chemical aspects and storage
- AS 3780–2023 The storage and handling of corrosive substances
- AS/NZS 3833:2007 The storage and handling of mixed classes of dangerous goods, in packages and intermediate bulk containers
- AS 4332–2004 (R2016) The storage and handling of gases in cylinders
- AS/NZS 4452:1997 The storage and handling of toxic substances
- AS/NZS 4681:2000 The storage and handling of Class 9 (miscellaneous) dangerous goods and articles
- AS/NZS 5026:2012 The storage and handling of Class 4 dangerous goods
- NZS 5433:2020 Transport of dangerous goods on land
- SNZ HB 5433:2021 UN dangerous goods list

Sources of information

- Physical inspection
- Internal and external audits
- Employee knowledge and expertise
- Trade journals
- WorkSafe alerts and publications
- Incident /injury records
- Industry associations

Sources of information

- Product information
- Technical data sheets
- Manufacturers instruction manuals
- Personal contacts
- By asking 'What if ?'
- Brainstorming



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