

EHS Laboratory Inspection Form

Department	
Building # / room #	
Supervisor	
Inspection Date	
Inspection Conducted by:	

The following are recommendations based on the results of the EHS laboratory inspection.

A complete listing of items that were reviewed as part of the inspection is provided in Appendix A

Recommendations

ITEM	RECOMMENDATION

Action Required

ITEM	ISSUE/REQUIRED ACTION	PRIORITY	RESPONSE/ACTION TAKEN	DATE/COMPLETED

Priority A: action required immediately Priority B: action required within 2 weeks

Priority C: action required within 30 days

Follow up:

- No follow up required
- Email this report with completed section "Recommendations" and "Action Required" (if applicable) to azachert@uoguelph.ca before the indicated dead line.

Appendix A

The following items were inspected as part of EHS lab inspection (as applicable)

ADMINISTRATIVE

Personnel have taken all required training from EHS (WHMIS 2015, Lab safety, Rad Safety, Biosafety, Worker/Supervisor Safety Awareness) AS REQUIRED

Lab manuals, SDS/MSDSs and operating instructions are available and reviewed by lab personnel

Training for all lab personnel is documented and documentation is maintained

Other

General Laboratory Work Practices No evidence of food or beverages being consumed or stored in the lab Laboratory benches and storage are uncluttered Aisles and exits are unobstructed Large / heavy items are stored on lower shelves No storage of personnel belongings Other

PPE
Personnel is wearing the adequate PPE (eye protection, gloves, lab coats, close toed shoes, etc.) as required
Lab coats and gloves are not worn in non-lab areas
Long hair are restrained and no hanging jewelry
Other

	Emergency Preparedness
Fire extinguisher is	
a.	readily available, unobstructed, has locking pin intact, inspected conspicuous location
Safety shower is re	eadily accessible and inspected
Eye wash station is	s readily accessible and inspected
Emergency exits a	re identified and known to laboratory personnel

First aid station is readily available

Chemical spill kit is readily accessible and contains minimum required supplies

All dirty rags used to wipe up flammable or combustible material are stored in ULC listed or equivalent metal safety containers Other

Engineering Controls	
Fume hood is operational and inspected	
Sash is closed if fume hood is not being used	
No Chemical being stored in the fume hood	
Large equipment in fume hood is elevated to ensure effective air flow	
Fume hood is neat, tidy and uncluttered	
No evidence of chemical fume hoods being used for biohazards or radioactive materials	
Electrical connections are outside of the fume hood	
Sinks within fume hoods are protected from chemical spills	
Fume hoods are fitted with a low flow alarm	
Other	

Chemical Hazardous Materials Safety

Chemicals Inventory System is updated

Flammable liquids are stored in approved ULC or equivalent flammable solvent cabinets

No evidence of flammable and/or combustible materials being stored in household fridges/freezers/cupboards

Household refrigerators and freezers are labelled as not appropriate to store flammable/combustible liquids

Flammable storage cabinets are well maintained and in good structural integrity

Incompatible chemicals are stored separately (ei: bases and acids are stored separately) etc, as per Lab Safety manual section: 15

Containers are kept closed when not in use
Chemical containers are in good condition
Chemicals labelled appropriately
Access to MSDSs/SDSs is provided to lab users
Unstable substances such as ethers and peroxide forming chemicals are tested routinely tested and test are recorded
Flammable material are stored below eye level
No sign of disposal of hazardous waste through the sewer system
Spill kits are readily available
Lab doesn't use Hg-based thermometers
Other

Compressed Gases
Cryogenic liquids are dispensed and handled in well ventilated areas
Oxygen sensors are located in areas where volume of gas could result in dangerous displacement of oxygen
Gas cylinders not in use have protective cap in place
Cylinders are secured at ~ ¾ of their height in an upright position.
Restraints/brackets are in good condition
Cylinders are well removed from doors, aisles, stairs and elevators
Cylinder cart is available for transport
Incompatible gases are segregated
Regulators appear to be in good condition

Other

Waste Disposal
Sharps containers are available for sharps disposal
Container is available for disposal of broken glass
Hazardous waste is stored appropriately
No evidence of the accumulation of hazardous waste
Sewage disposal sticker posted and is visible at each sink
No evidence of unacceptable sewer discharges to the sink
Other

Equipment	
Instruction manuals and/or SOPs are available for equipment	
Personnel are trained in safe use of equipment (e.g. autoclaves, centrifuges)	
Moving parts and/or pinch points of equipment are guarded appropriately	
Other	

Electrical	
Extension cords are not used as permanent fixtures	
No evidence of piggybacking of extension cords	
Electrical cords are in good condition (not frayed etc.)	
Electrical hazards in the labs are identified	
Electrical equipment is in a good condition and properly maintained	
Other	