Oregon OSHA – Adopted Changes to Hazard Communication and Related Rules in Division 4, Agriculture

Oregon OSHA has adopted changes related to the globally harmonized system of chemical classification and labeling (GHS) into OAR 437-004-9800, the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) for Agricultural Employers. In addition, twelve related Division 4 rules were modified to incorporate the GHS definitions and terminology.

The related rules include the Division 4 universal definitions; and standards for flammable liquids, fire prevention, pipe labeling, and the storage of hazardous chemicals.

This rulemaking will improve safety for agricultural workplaces by focusing on the hazard communication requirements pertaining to users of hazardous chemicals (as opposed to those for manufacturers, importers, and distributors.) These revisions will simplify compliance by establishing a uniform flow of information about chemical hazards in Oregon OSHA’s Division 4 rules.

This is Oregon OSHA Administrative Order 3-2014, adopted and effective August 8, 2014.

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RULE CAPTION

Adopt Hazard Communication updates to Division 4, Agriculture.
Not more than 15 words that reasonably identifies the subject matter of the agency’s intended action.

RULEMAKING ACTION

AMEND:  OAR 437-004-0100, 437-004-0150, 437-004-0720, 437-004-0725, 437-004-0950,
437-004-1430, 437-004-1440, 437-004-1450, 437-004-1460, 437-004-1470, 437-004-1680,
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RULE SUMMARY

This rulemaking will improve safety and simplify compliance for agricultural workplaces by focusing on the rule 
requirements that pertain to users of hazardous chemicals (as opposed to those for manufacturers, importers,
and distributors) and by incorporating the definitions and terminology from the globally harmonized system of chemical classification and labeling (GHS) into Oregon OSHA’s Division 4, Agriculture, OAR 437-004-9800 Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) for agricultural employers. Revisions to the Division 4 HCS will 
establish a uniform flow of information about chemical hazards in all the Oregon OSHA rules.

Several related rules, including the Division 4 universal definitions, standards for flammable liquids, fire
prevention, pipe labeling, and the storage of hazardous chemicals, are also being revised to simplify and clarify
rule requirements and to be consistent with the GHS-modified HCS.

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