

566 WORKPLACE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INFORMATION SYSTEM (WHMIS)

Background

All areas of the Division shall operate in accordance with WHMIS and the following regulations.

Procedures

1. All areas of the Division shall operate in accordance with WHMIS, which includes:
 - a. Hazardous Products Act (1988)
 - b. Controlled Products Regulations (1988)
 - c. Hazardous Materials Review Regulations (1988)
 - d. Occupational Health and Safety Act (Amended 1988)
 - e. Chemical Hazards Regulations (1988)
2. The Principal, Secretary, Maintenance Supervisor, and Head Custodian shall:
 - a. Be familiar with WHMIS.
 - b. Ensure that the school copy of the yellow WHMIS binder is kept current.
 - c. Review WHMIS requirements with their staff each September.
 - d. Insure that yearly inventories of chemicals are conducted.
 - e. Insure that M.S.D.S. (Material Safety Data Sheet) sheets are current.
3. Appropriate Division staff shall participate in WHMIS informational programs provided by the Division.
4. Any district personnel with questions regarding WHMIS should contact the Maintenance Supervisor, Head Custodian, Principal or Secretary.
5. It will be the responsibility of the Maintenance Supervisor to:
 - a. Develop a program of Worker Education for Division staff, regarding WHMIS
 - b. Arrange for implementation of WHMIS programs.
 - c. Keep the Principal updated with materials to keep WHMIS current.

References