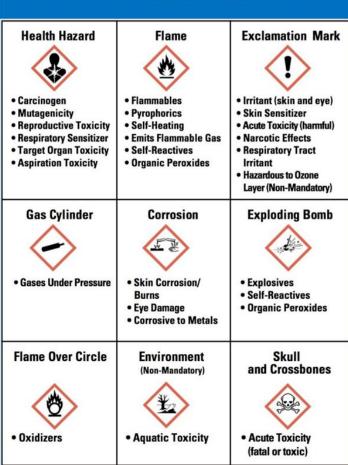
HAZCOM PICTOGRAMS

Safety Topic V6-0743 HazMat

The Globally Harmonized System (GHS) and the Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) require universal pictograms to be displayed on labels to alert users of the chemical hazards to which they may be exposed.

GHS PICTOGRAMS



- ➤ The GHS (international standard) has 9 pictograms that are used on hazardous products.
- ➤ OSHA's HCS requires 8 of these pictograms on hazardous chemical labels. The Environment pictogram is non-mandatory because environmental hazards are not within OSHA's jurisdiction.
- ➤ Each pictogram consists of a symbol on a white background framed within a red border and represents a distinct hazard or set of hazards.
- Workers should become familiar with these images and the hazards they represent.
- Labels on hazardous chemical containers must remain legible and should not be defaced or removed.
- SDSs must be readily accessible to employees.
- ➤ Workers have the right to know and understand the hazardous properties of the chemicals in the workplace to which they may be exposed.

Discussion -

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Why are pictograms important in hazard communication?

What does it mean if a chemical label shows more than one pictogram?

