Basic Training Module for Chemical Management in Textile Wet Processes

Trainer Manual

The following Trainer Manuel is supposed to help trainers to carry out the Basic Training Module for Chemical Management in Textile Wet Processes. It introduces scope and aim of the Training and explains how to use the Training Manuel.

The Basic Training Module for Chemical Management is a one-day training aimed at decision makers and the middle management who are responsible for production in textile factories containing wet processing units. The target of the training is to create awareness and promote basic knowledge about sound chemical management in textile supply chains, with a focus on the wet processes. It, thereby, should also be seen as a preparation for potential more advanced follow-up trainings. The training is structured in a modular fashion, consisting of six modules covering all relevant aspects of the textile environmental and chemical management. Depending of the context and specific needs, it is, therefore, possible to exclude certain modules from the training. The trainings are held in a classroom format and also include practical examples and exercise to engage the participants. Participants will also receive a handout covering the whole training as well as the slides of the presentation. Additionally, there are three short videos which introduce the topic (Video1) and give an overview about how to avoid restricted Substances via MRSLs and RSLs (Video 2) and safely manage chemicals in the textile production (Video 3).

Video 1: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oqQvcMKty68 Video 2: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YijxjLjwtvl Video 3: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCQTlu8r14l

This Manual consists of all the slides of the presentation, as well as further notes which give some additional details or explanations on the content of the slides. The manual is therefore meant to guide the trainer while presenting and give some additional information which make it possible to expand certain topics of the trainings beyond the content of the slides. Nevertheless, trainers of course must already have sound expertise and up-to-date knowledge on the subject of chemical management.

For further information, visit the Website of the Partnership for Sustainable Textiles: https://www.textilbuendnis.com/en/

Other useful information might be also found on the website of the GIZ working group Sustainable Industrial Areas SIA: https://www.sia-toolbox.net/home and in the Sustainable Production Centre SPC Learning Material: http://spc.org.pk/library-2/

For further questions regarding the Basic Training, please contact the Partnership for Sustainable Textiles:

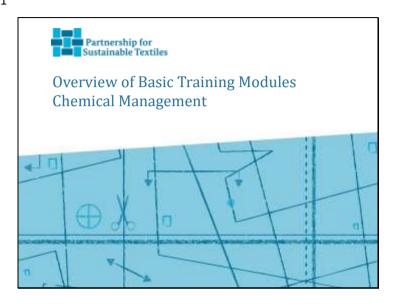
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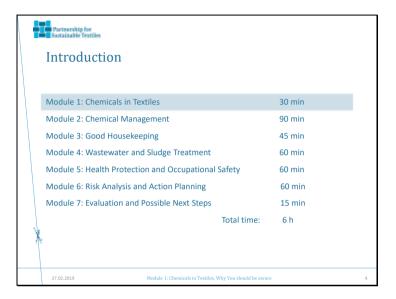
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See also new report:

Report of the Special Rapporteur on the implications for human rights of the environmentally sound management and disposal of hazardous substances and wastes

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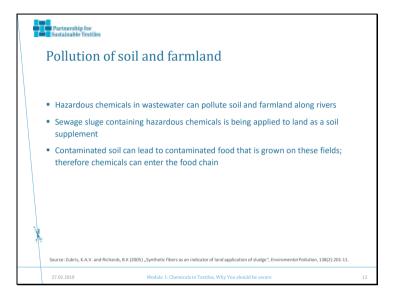


Psychological studies show that it is important to directly address people, to engage them for a topic. We would like to show to the trained person that his/her behaviour matters and makes a difference.





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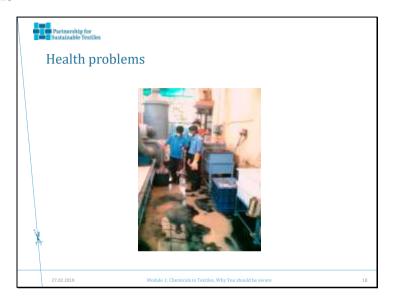


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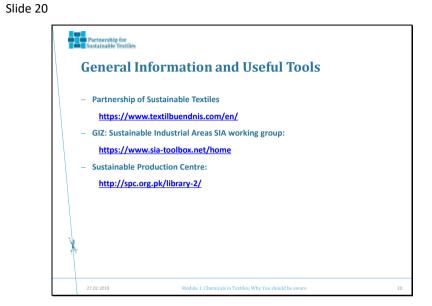
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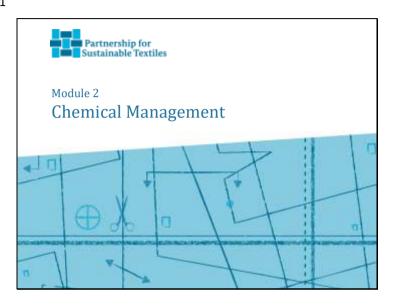




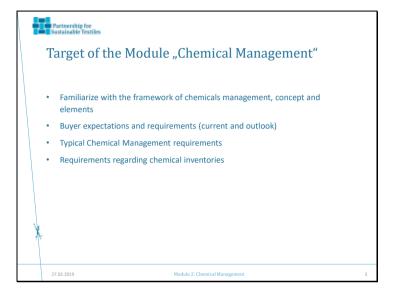


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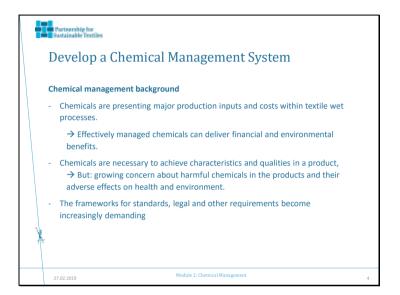
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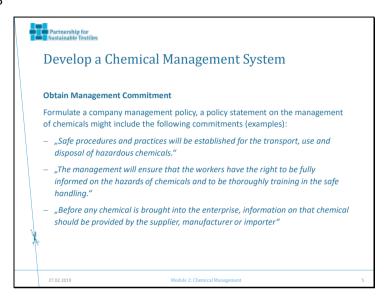




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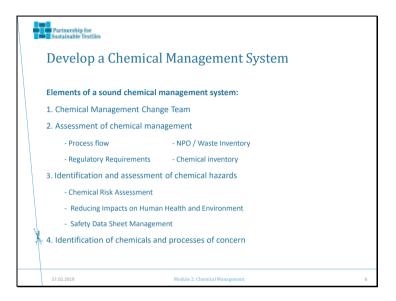


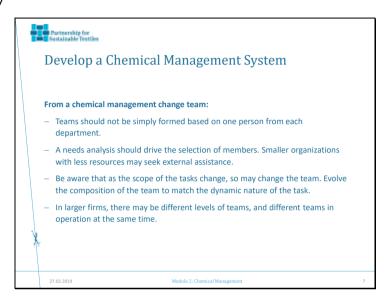
 Out of around seven million known chemical substances, more than 150.00 are used in industry in production processes.
 Around 8.000 commercial chemicals are hazardous.



Guiding questions:

- Can you describe your company policy/commitment for a chemical management programme?
- Does it include any statements in line with the examples given?
- Can you identify who is directly responsible for the implementation of the policy within the company?



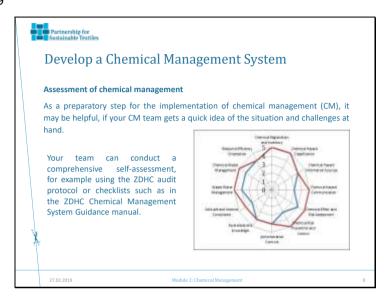


Guiding questions

- Can you name the group which takes the initiative of establishing a plan and monitor its implementation for the management of chemicals in your company?
- Can you describe the roles and responsibilities of management and workers in your company concerning the safe use of chemicals?

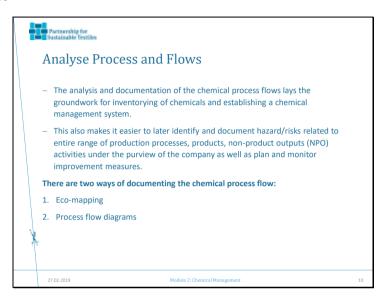


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Alternatively, the team can carry out a preliminary assessment, using the GIZ REMC Quick-Check tool to identify and document areas of special attention. The interactive approach of the REMC quick-check tool encourages the involvement of the organisation's staff at all levels and can contribute to creating awareness and change readiness in the organisation.

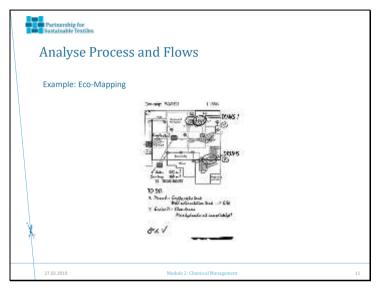
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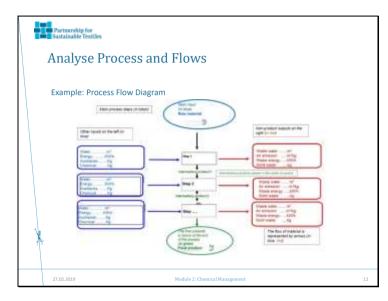
While completing the tasks and corresponding activities, you will find answers to questions such as:

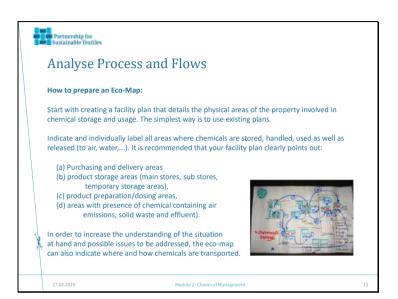
- What chemicals do we use in our company?
- Where are these chemicals present and used?
- How do these chemicals move through our company?
- Where to these chemicals and end in which form?
- What are the relevant legal and other requirements?

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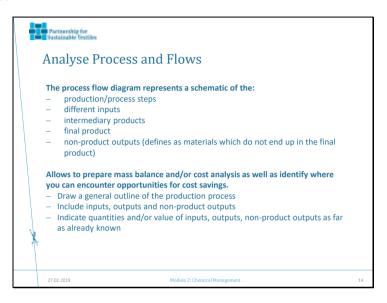




Practical tips:

- Prepare or verify during an initial company/site walk-through
- Collect and fill in additional information, using guiding questions and observations on site
- Involve staff and workers in the preparation of the maps

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Draw a general outline of the production process first. You can always prepare separate and more detailed diagrams for each production steps and process. Include inputs, outputs and non-product outputs. In second step start differentiating and detailing these. Indicate quantities and/or value of inputs, outputs, non-product outputs as far as already known to you. In case of batch processes, in which the input and quantities may vary from product to product, this may not be feasible.



HOW TO PREPARE A CHEMICAL INVENTORY IN LINE WITH ZDHC REQUIREMENTS

Decide on a standard format of the enhanced chemical inventory. Appendix C of the ZDHC CMS Guidelines includes an outline of a recommended chemical inventory. You can add further columns in line with your requirements. Referring to your existing inventory or using the findings from your eco-maps and flow-diagrams, fill the information into the inventory template.

Chemicals that MUST be included are...

 all chemicals with hazard indication or pictogram on container label,

- all chemical materials used in laboratory, pilot facilities and other locations
- all compressed gases,
- any flammable paints, solvents, glues, fuels and other petroleum product, and
- materials that create an explosive or toxic vapor hazard to unprotected personnel during fire emergencies.

When chemicals constitute a key production input, you will most likely already maintain a record of the chemicals for purchase and stock management purposes. From your eco-maps and process flow diagrams you can retrieve information about type and location of chemicals and chemical (containing) waste, production process involving chemicals as well as about quantities of inputs and non-product outputs

In the context of resource efficient management of chemicals, the purpose of chemical inventory goes beyond warehousing requirements. The chemical inventory serves as key reference and chemical management information tool, for example to allow you to assess conformance with restricted substances lists or to report to your company stakeholders (e.g. buyers).

As per ZDHC, the company is expected to create and maintain a comprehensive chemical list, allowing all chemicals in the facility to be identified by name, also recording hazard class, container size, locations of containers and dates on which solutions were prepared or expire, if applicable and chemicals of concern for your customers. In further course, the inventory is expected to be also used for identification and assessment of environment, health & safety hazards and risk.



R-phrases or **risk phrases** refers to a list of abbreviated descriptions of hazardous characteristics associated with chemicals as originally defined in Annex III of European Union Directive 67/548/EEC. These risk phrases were widely used internationally, not just in Europe, and have been replace with a more harmonized system under the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) as an internationally agreed-upon system, created by the United Nations (see H-statements)

H-statements or hazard statements/codes refer to a list of abbreviated descriptions of hazardous characteristics associated with chemicals as defined under the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS). You should be able to find the H-statement(s) for chemicals used in your company on the

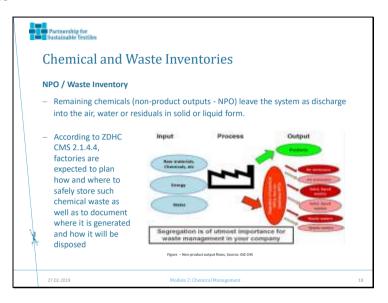
chemical container/package and/or in the safety data sheet. If not available, inquire with your chemical supplier or check in one of the internet based chemical data bases against the CAS number (e.g. GESTIS, see link below).



Remaining chemicals (non-product outputs - NPO) leave the system as discharge into the air, water or residuals in solid or liquid form. According to ZDHC CMS 2.1.4.4, factories are expected to plan how and where to safely store such chemical waste as well as to document where it is generated and how it will be disposed

Practical tips:

Methodologies such as mass or material balancing which are used widely in engineering and environmental analyses, help detailing and quantifying the input, output and non-product outputs flows as well as allow putting a cost-tags to the same.









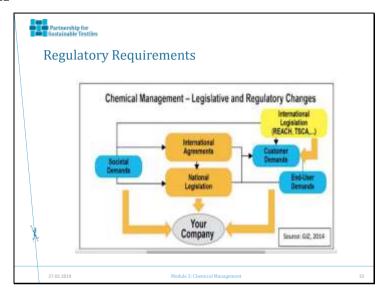
As per the ZDHC Chemical Management System Guidance Manual, companies are expected to establish and maintain a Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) for monitoring regulatory requirements and maintain an up-to-date inventory of legal requirements permits.

HOW TO IDENTIFY AND MONITOR REGULATIONS AND PERMITS

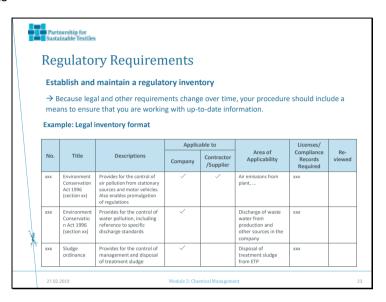
 Identify and state all applicable jurisdictions, regulations and permits necessary to operate (city, state and country level).
 Possible sources are commercial services (with updates offered online, on CD-ROM, or in paper form), regulatory agencies (federal, state and local), trade groups / associations, the Internet (see REACH www.echa.org), seminars and courses; newsletters /

- magazines, consultants and attorneys; your customers, and chemical suppliers.
- Assign regulatory identification to a person or a team (initial and ongoing)
- Describe communication processes in case of regulatory changes and/or when permits expire, operational limits change etc.

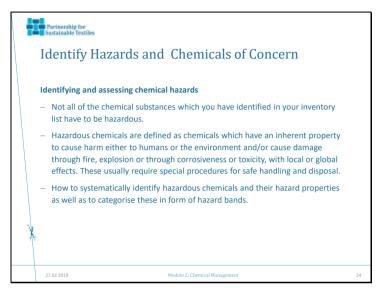
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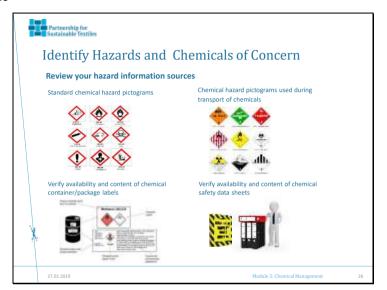


This is not an "one time" activity. Because legal and other requirements change over time, your procedure should include a means to ensure that you are working with up-to-date information.

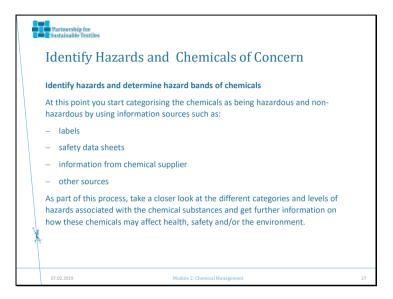


This step deals with the question of how to systematically identify hazardous chemicals and their hazard properties as well as to categorise these in form of hazard bands.



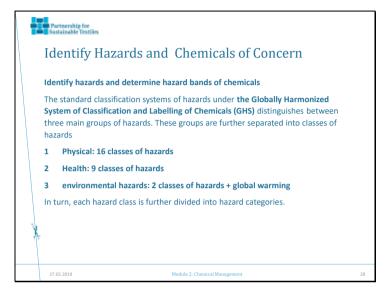


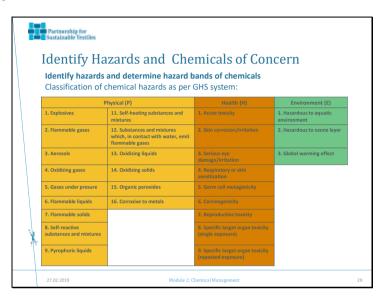
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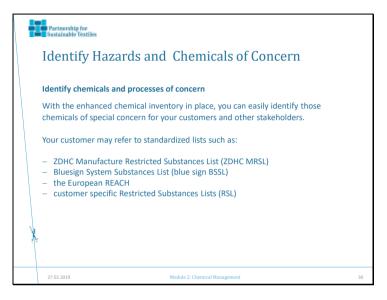
Practical Tip

You can retrieve information on the respective hazard classes and categories from your GHS conform safety data sheets (usually from section 2 – hazard identification or section 15 – regulatory information).



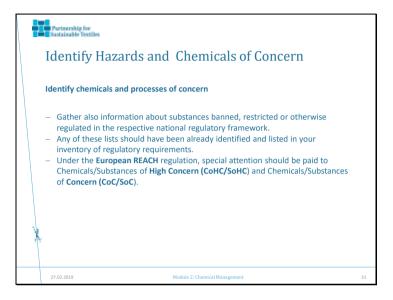


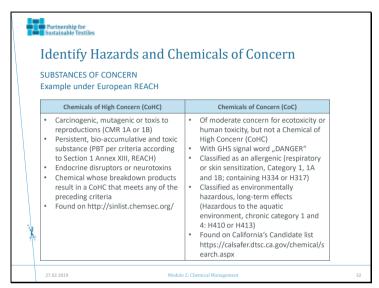
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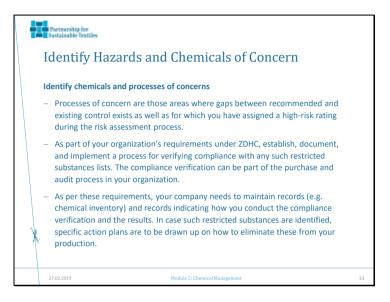


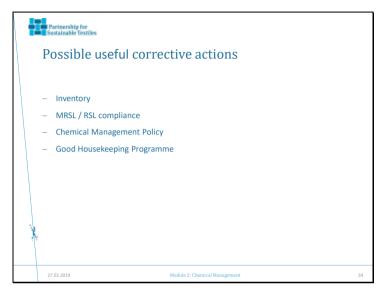
Guiding questions:

- Have you identified the applicable restricted substances list your organization subscribes to?
- Can you verify that you follow a process in which you regularly review the chemicals used in processes, and/or that can be found in your products, against published lists to identify chemicals of concern (e.g. REACH Substance of Very High concern, California Department of Toxic Substances Control)?
- Does your inventory table contain any chemical substances on the restricted substances list?



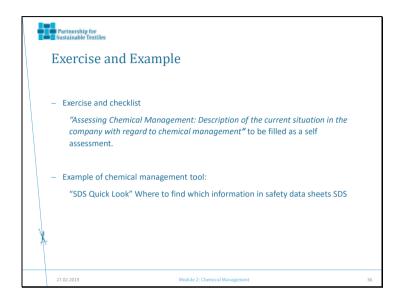








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Module 3: Good Housekeeping

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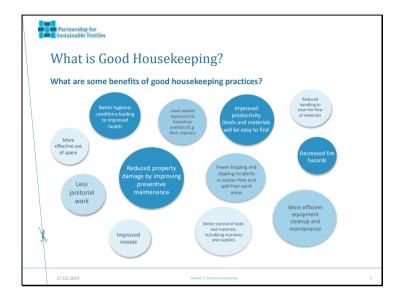
Effective housekeeping helps to control or eliminate workplace hazards. Poor housekeeping practices frequently contribute to incidents. If the sight of paper, debris, clutter and spills is accepted as normal, then other more serious hazards may be taken for granted.

Effective housekeeping is an ongoing operation: it is not a one-time or hit-and-miss cleanup done occasionally. Periodic "panic" cleanups are costly and ineffective in reducing incidents.

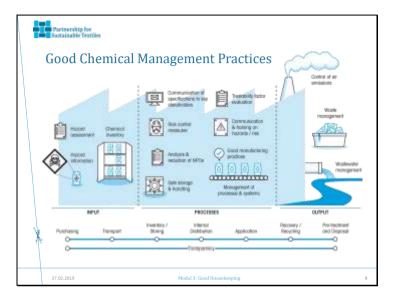


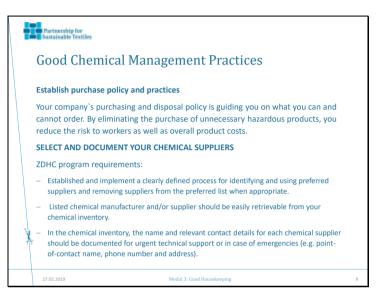
Poor housekeeping can be a cause of incidents, such as:

- tripping over loose objects on floors, stairs and platforms
- being hit by falling objects
- slipping on greasy, wet or dirty surfaces
- striking against projecting, poorly stacked items or misplaced material
- cutting, puncturing, or tearing the skin of hands or other parts of the body on projecting nails, wire or steel strapping







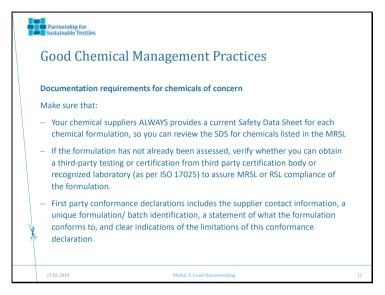


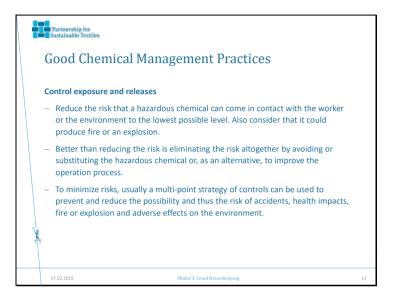
Consider legal, safety, ZDHC MRSL and brand MRSL and RSL requirements prior to the purchase of the substances.

SELECT AND DOCUMENT YOUR CHEMICAL SUPPLIERS
According to the ZDHC program requirements, your company is expected prove that you have established and implement a clearly defined process for identifying and using preferred suppliers and removing suppliers from the preferred list when appropriate. Such list chemical manufacturer and/or supplier should be easily retrievable from your chemical inventory, in which you are expected to document the name and relevant contact details for each chemical supplier for urgent technical support or in case of emergencies (e.g. point-of-contact name, phone number and address).

For further details, take a look at ZDHC CMS 2.3.1 Chemical Purchasing Policy Considerations.







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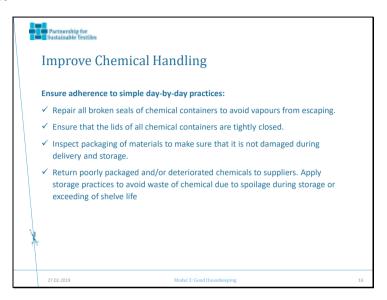


For the establishment of procedures and practices on the safe transport of chemicals (and waste) take a look at following areas



Good housekeeping (or "good and basic general practices") refer to a number of practical measures, often based on common sense, that your company can implement to improve productivity, obtain cost savings, and reduce environment, health & safety impacts of your production. "Good housekeeping" is more of a habit than a technique.

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Ensure adherence to simple day-by-day practices:

 Apply first, first storage practices to avoid waste of chemical due to spoilage during storage or exceeding of shelve life.







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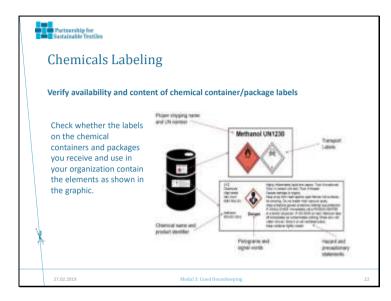
Which pictograms do you come across in your company?

Does your company already use GHS conform hazard pictograms?

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Are the chemical containers you receive in your company labelled with any pictograms?







STRUCTURE, LAYOUT AND SIZE OF CHEMICAL STORE

Adequate storage facilities are a pre-requisite for safe storage. Check your local regulations for specific requirements regarding factors location, structural make, fire resistance and protection.

No. 18* - Generally it is recommended that the chemical store is physically separated from production areas, occupied buildings. Other storage areas (e.g. raw material, semi-finished, finished products), workshops or areas with potential sources of ignition (e.g. generator, boiler, electrical transformers and control panels). The location should be selected in such a way that the store may not be subjected to flooding.

No. 1 - The floor of the chemical store is flat (to allow easy handling of chemical containers with trolleys, forklifts,..) and non-permeable to prevent contamination of soil and ground-water from chemical spills. In case of an

elevated location the storage areas is accessible by outside ramps; mezzanine floors are provided with a hoisting arrangement to minimize need of manual handling.

No. 2 – The store has at least separate unobstructed and clearly marked (no. 6) emergency exits. However, at all times, unauthorized personnel must be prevented from entering the chemical store. The main doors should lockable. In addition, signboards are placed outside the entrances, clearly marking the building or areas as chemical store and prohibiting unauthorized entry.

No 13 - Electrical installation inside the chemical store (e.g. switches, panels, light fittings, cables) are insulated and be "explosion proof". Ideally, switches are placed outside the chemical store. Regular and emergency lights are available and sufficient to allow for easy identification of chemicals.

No 15 and 16 - Exhaust vents at floor and ceiling level help to maintain temperature and humidity at recommended levels and allow possible air contaminants (heavy and light vapors, dusts) to removed from the storage area.

For placing the chemicals in your chemical store, group chemicals according to their type and compatibility (see next page on checking compatibility). Also take into consideration maximum permissible or recommended quantities for certain classes of chemicals.

No. 3 – Different areas are clearly designated for the storage of the different chemicals.

No. 12 – The designated storage areas are separated from each other to allow for easy movement of personnel and movement devices (e.g. trolley, forklift). This movement areas are clearly marked. Recommended width of passageways: 0.8 meters (about 2 feet) for persons, 2 meters (6 feet) for trolleys and forklifts.

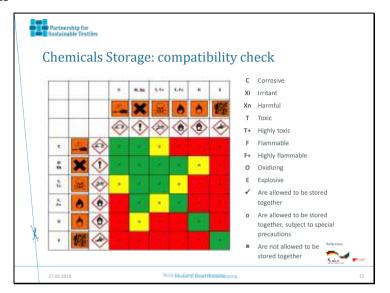
No. 3 - Avoid the storage of powered chemicals which are kept in bags directly on the floor to protect against ground humidity. Placement on pallets will allow for easy movement of chemicals with trolleys or forklifts.

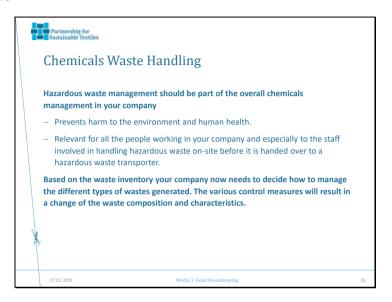
No. 9 – Containers with liquid chemical (for any with more than 5 liters) are kept in catch-pits (trays) and/or areas with structural secondary containments. If not otherwise regulated, such secondary containment system should have sufficient capacity to contain at least 100% of the volume of the largest container stored.

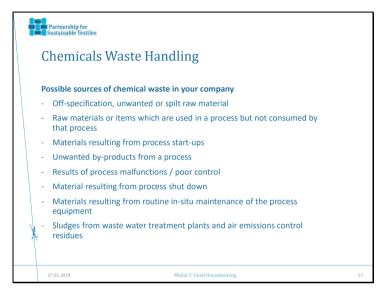
No. 14 - Racks and shelves increase the available storage space. Make sure that the quantity store that way does not exceed the recommended structural capacity of the shelves and rack system. Considering ergonomic aspects, smaller and lighter chemical containers (with for powdered chemicals) can be stored on higher shelves. Heavier chemical containers, particularly those containing liquid chemicals should be stored at the floor level.

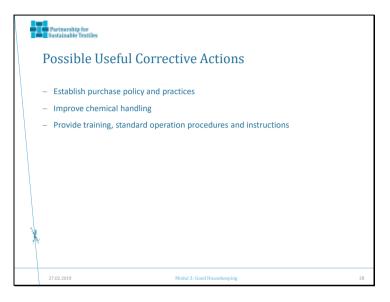
No. 10 - For clear identification of the chemicals, make sure that each chemical container is clearly labelled (see section 3.1 GHS labelling). In addition, each designated chemical storage area is labelled indicating at least type of chemical family and hazards classification.

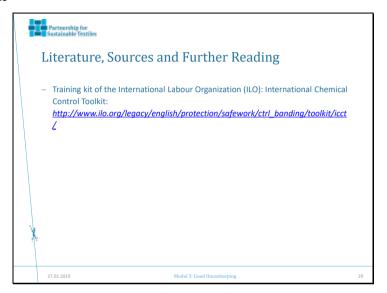
Storage cabinets, if in use, are of approved quality, lockable and clearly labelled with the hazard class of the chemicals.

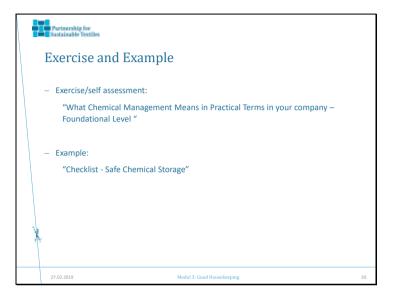






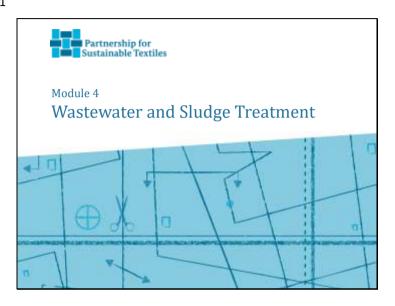




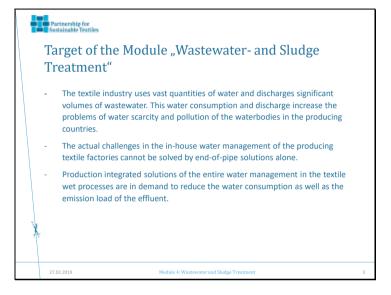


Module 4: Wastewater and Sludge Treatment

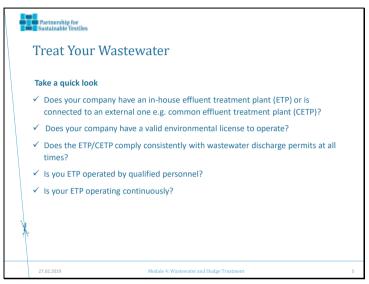
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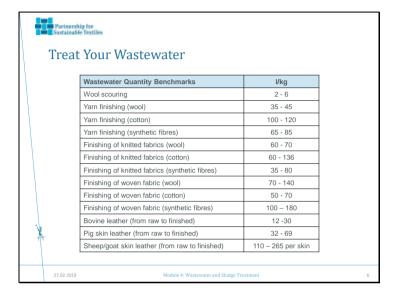




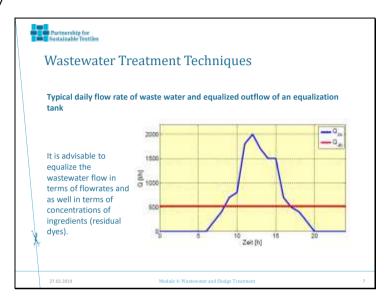






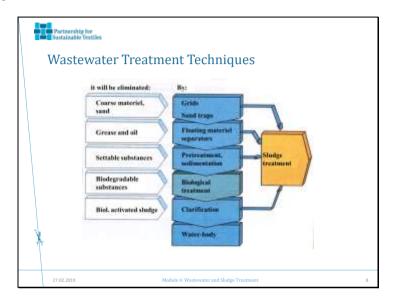


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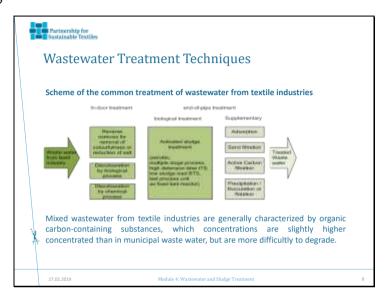


Typical daily flow rate of waste water and equalized outflow of an equalization tank [Pinnekamp, 2015]

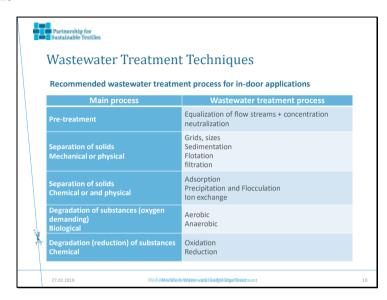
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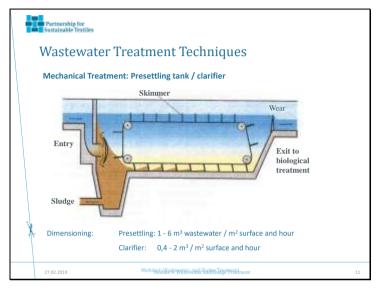
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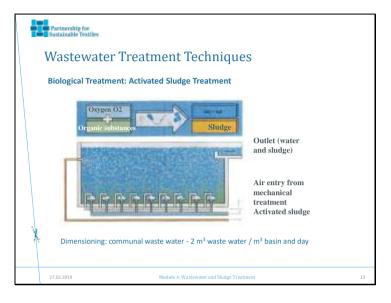


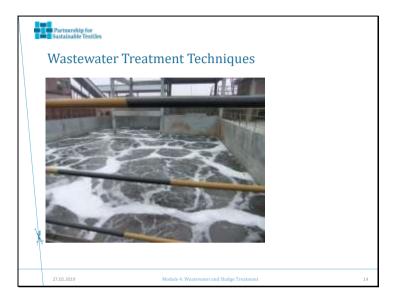
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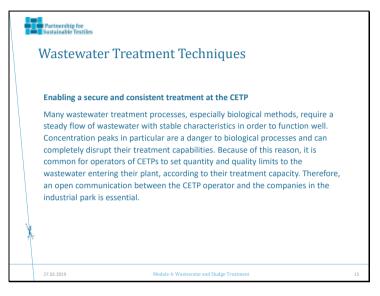


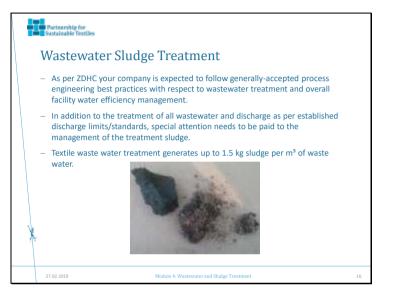


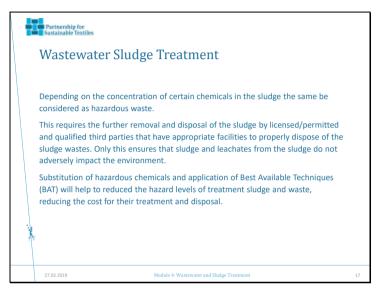
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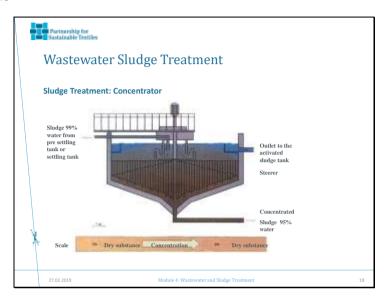


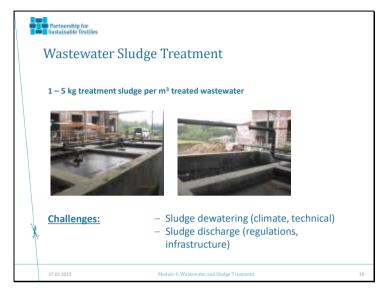


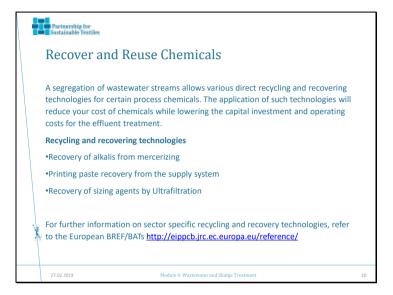


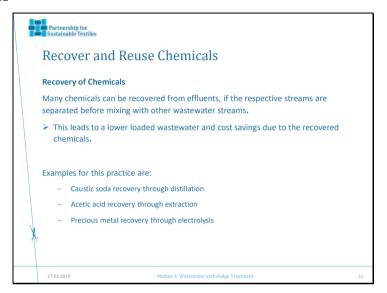


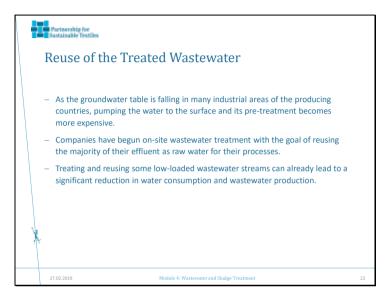


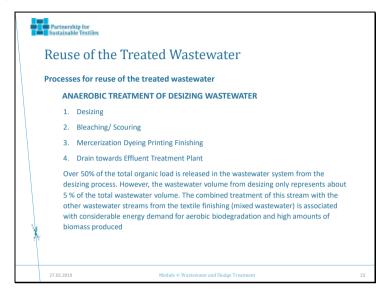


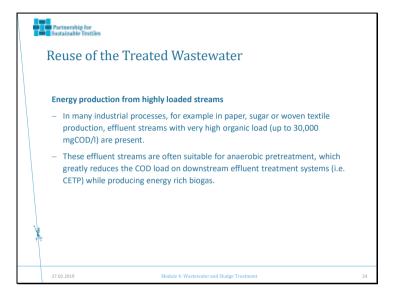








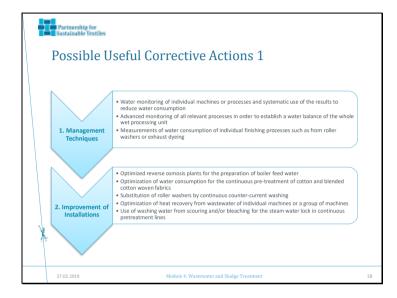


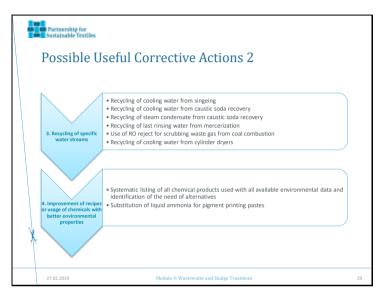


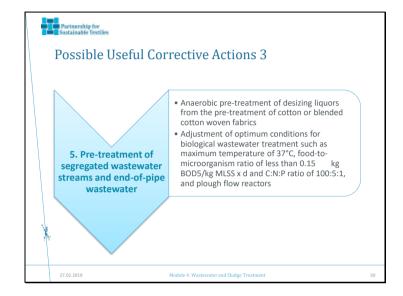




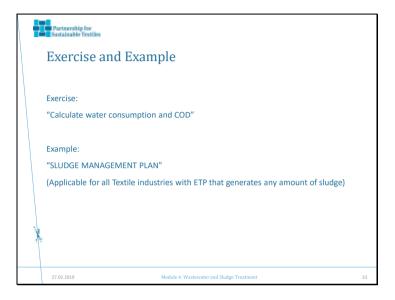






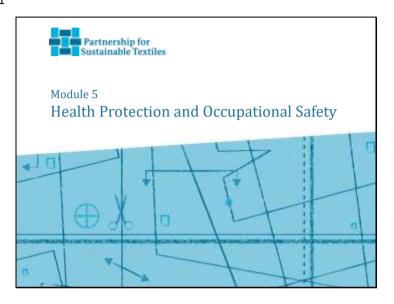






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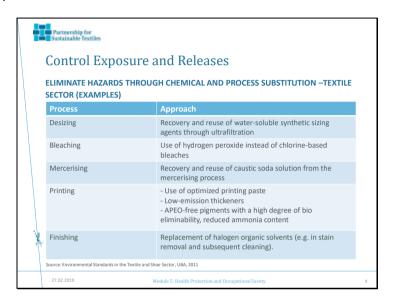


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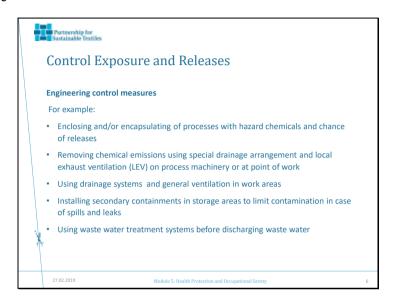
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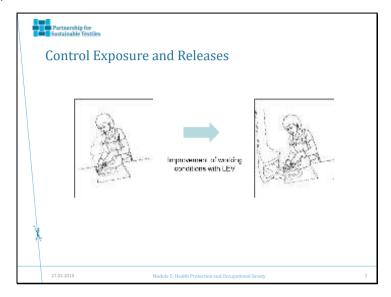
Isolation measures aim at separating people from hazardous chemicals by distance or structural/technical barriers to prevent or minimize the chance of exposure, but also physically separating hazardous chemicals from other chemicals or installations.

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The next option in controlling exposure are engineering control measures which prevent the chance of exposure (skin contact, inhalation) and limit the area of releases. For example:

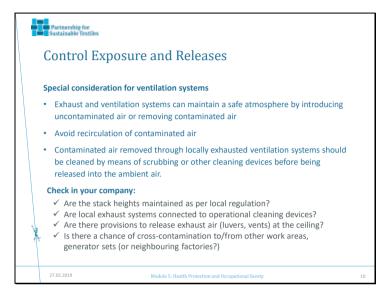
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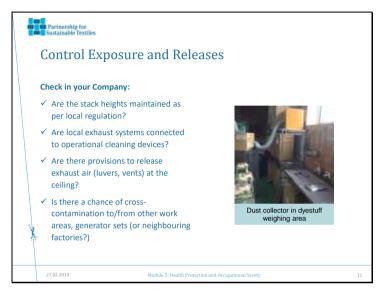


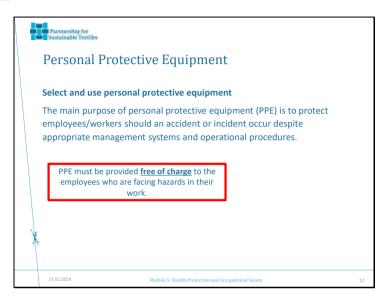
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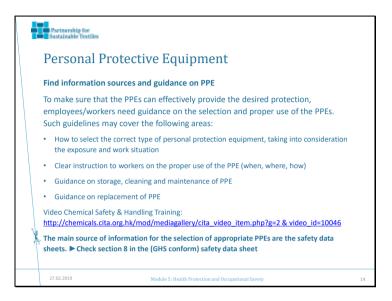






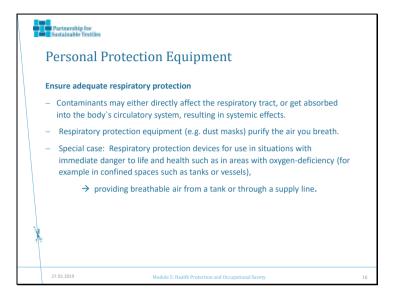








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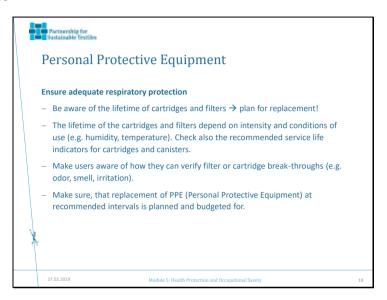


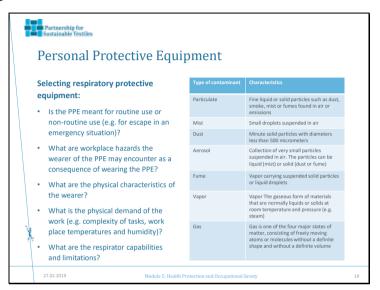
These contaminants may either directly affect the respiratory tract, for example being irritating or impairing the lung function, or get absorbed into the body's circulatory system, resulting in systemic effects.

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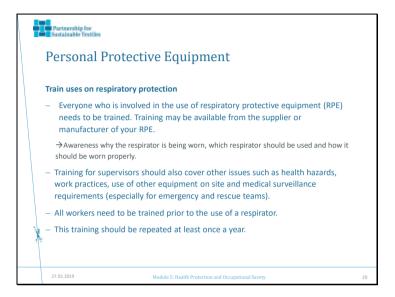


Both disposable and reusable type of respirators are available and may come in form of quarter, half or full face masks.



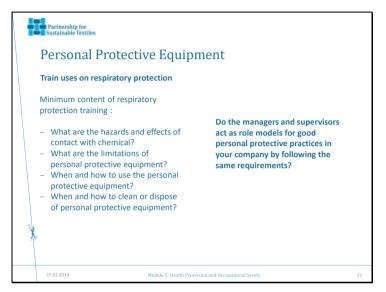


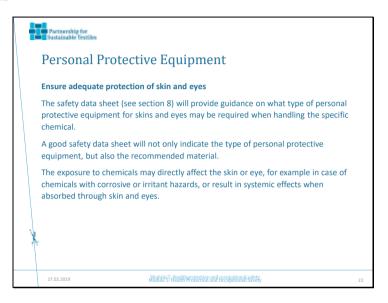
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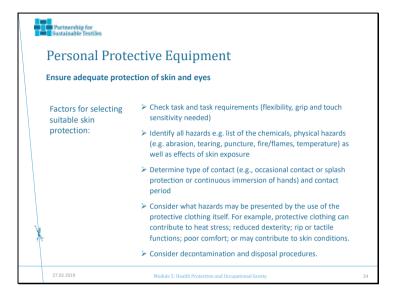
Training may be available from the supplier or manufacturer of your RPE.

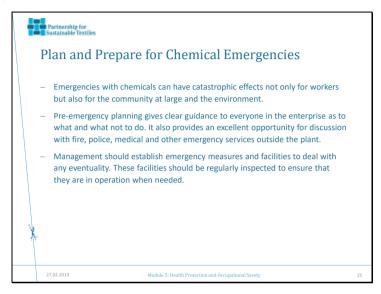
A qualified person, knowledgeable of respiratory protection and workplace contaminants, must instruct supervisors as well as the person issuing respirators. Adequate training should be provided to ensure proper respirator use. It should also cover other issues such as health hazards, work practices, use of other equipment on site and medical surveillance requirements (especially for emergency and rescue teams).



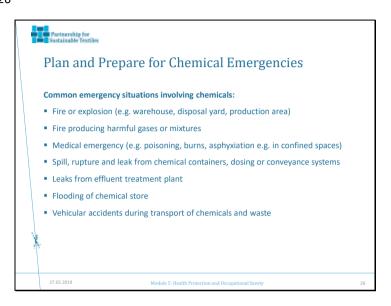


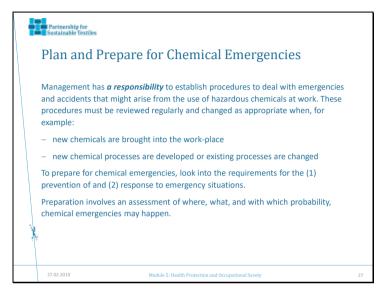


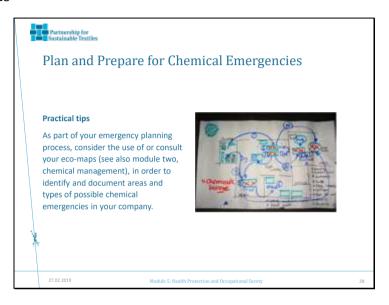


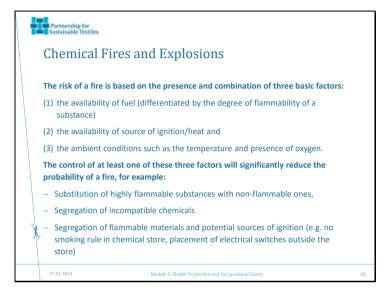


Management should establish emergency measures and facilities to deal with any eventuality. For example, in case of an accidental splash or contact with chemicals, emergency showers and eye-wash points should be provided in close proximity to the workstation.

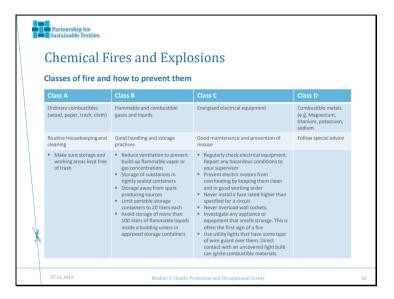






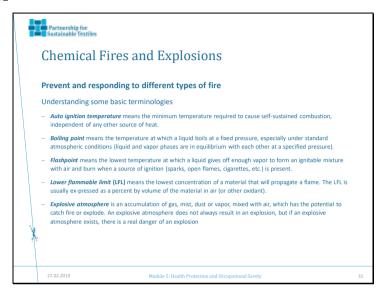


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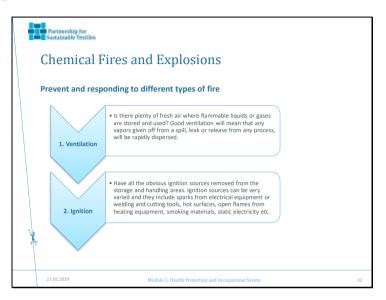


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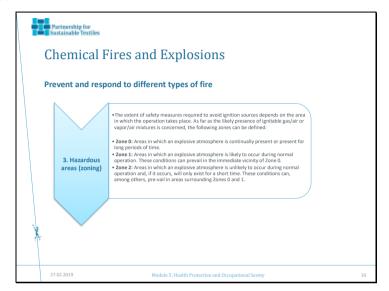
- Regularly check electrical equipment for old/worn wiring or broken/damaged fit-tings. Report any hazardous conditions to your supervisor
- Prevent electric motors from overheating by keeping them clean and in good working order
- Never install a fuse rated higher than specified for a circuit
- Never overload wall sockets. One outlet should have no more than two plugs
 Don't plug more than one heat-producing appliance into an outlet Investigate
 any appliance or equipment that smells strange. This is often the first sign of a
 fire
- Use utility lights that have some type of wire guard over them. Direct contact with an uncovered light bulb can ignite combustible materials.

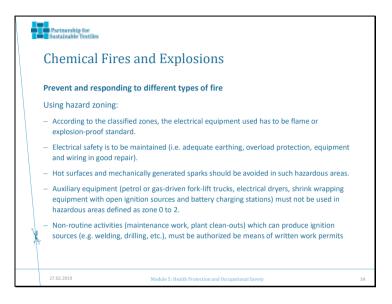


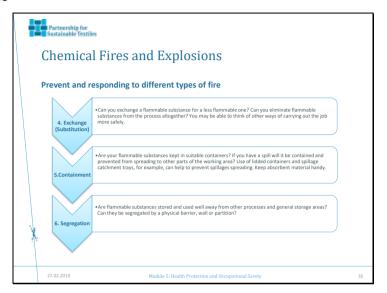
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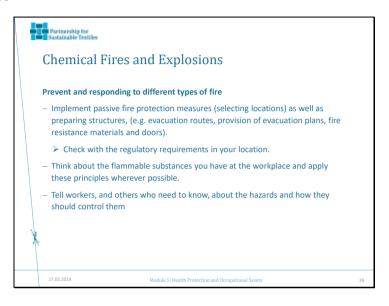


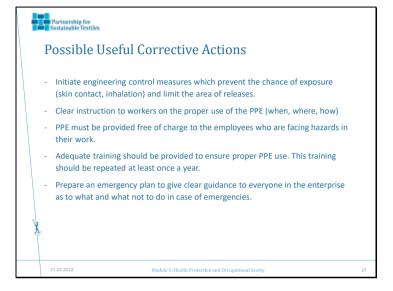
By applying the following principles you will be well on the way to making sure that you are working safely with flammable substances



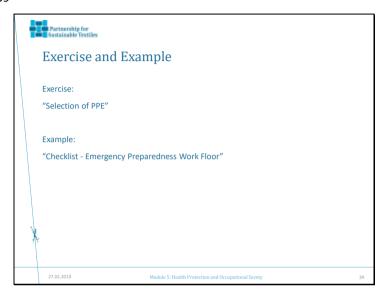






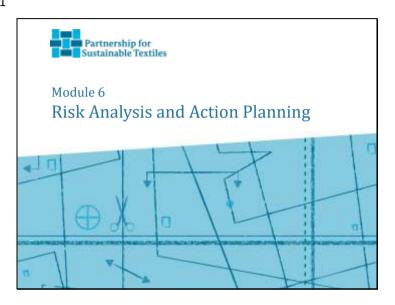






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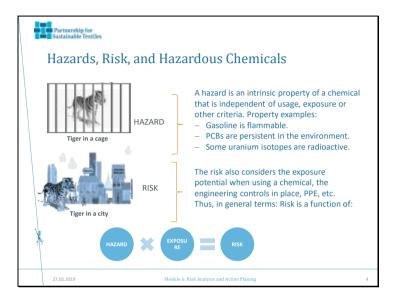
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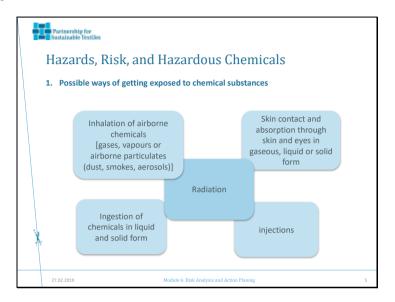


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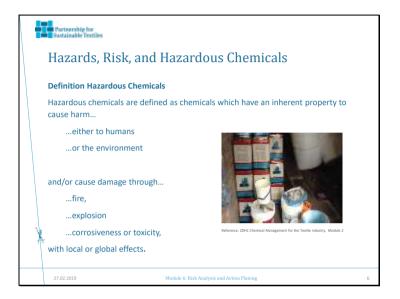


Chemical management is the systematic control, use, and disposal of all chemicals in a facility.

- → Includes traceability of formulations, both to an SDS and back to the manufacturer.
- → includes review of hazards, to improve overall safety of for workers and the facility.
- → means full control of the amount of chemicals ordered, use, discharged, and disposed.

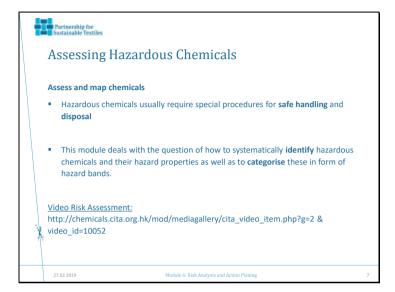


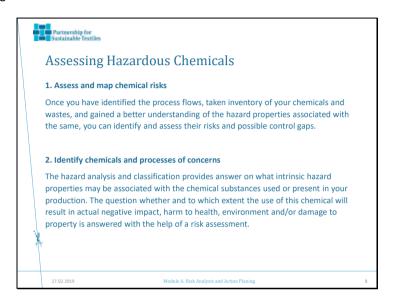
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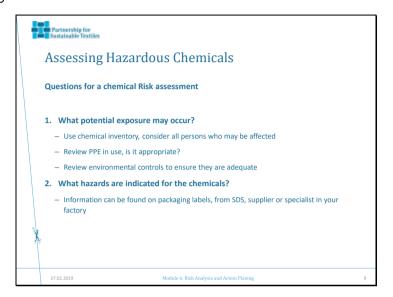


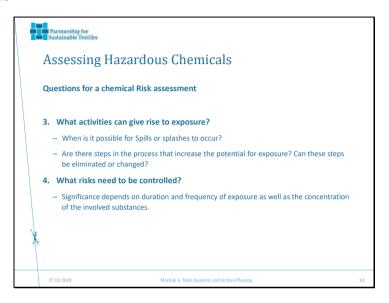
Not all of the chemical substances which you have identified in your inventory list have to be hazardous.

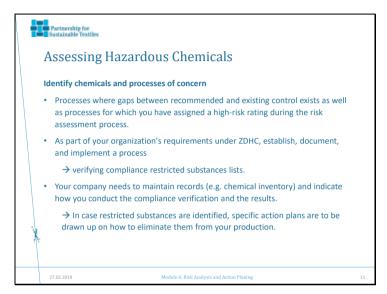
Hazardous chemicals are defined as chemicals which have an inherent property to cause harm either to humans or the environment and/or cause damage through fire, explosion or through corrosiveness or toxicity, with local or global effects.



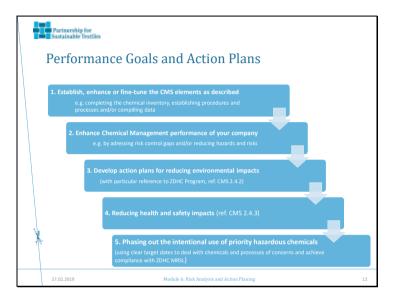


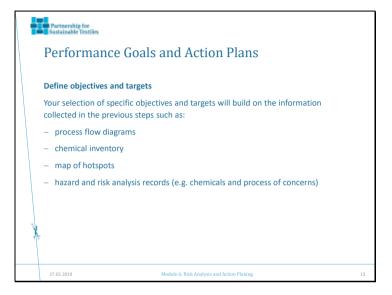


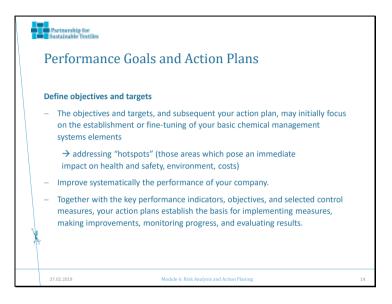




The compliance verification can be part of the purchase and audit process in your organization.

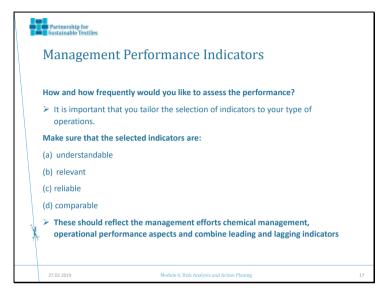


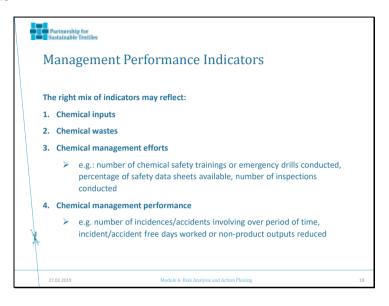




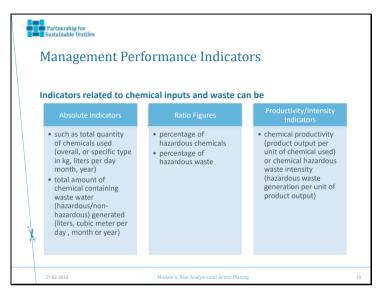


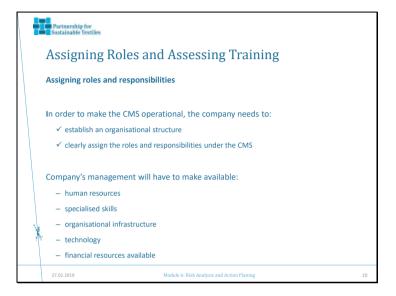


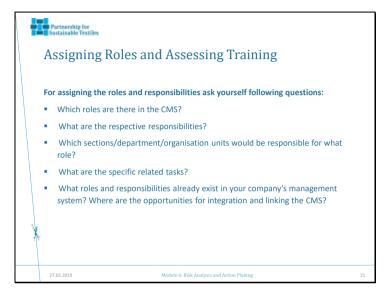




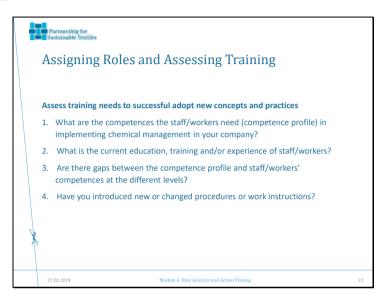
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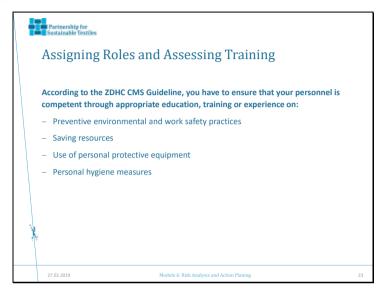


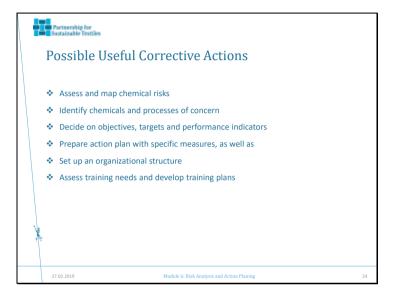


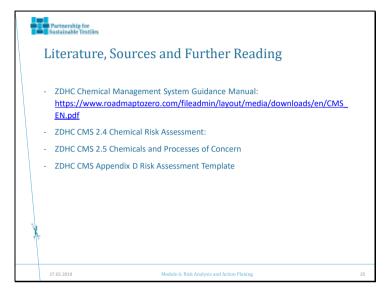
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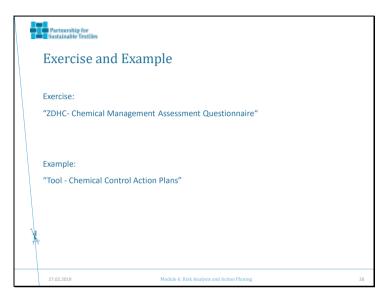


The successful adoption of the new concepts and practices will largely depend on the knowledge, skills and attitude of the workforce in your company.



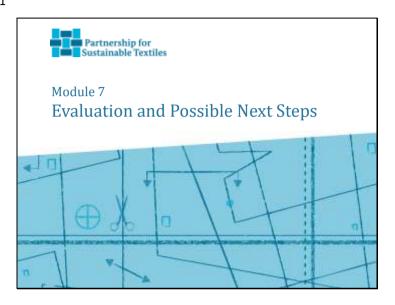






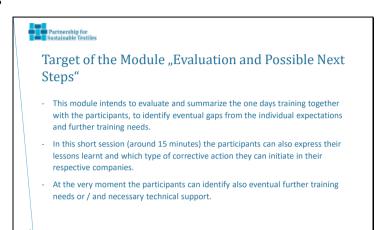
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