



# HSEM ALERT

## Safety Data Sheets and ChemAlert

### Who needs to read this?

All Curtin University Staff and Students

### Details

A recent AS/NZS 4801 certification periodic assessment at Curtin University observed that Australian compliant Safety Data Sheets (SDS's) were not always updated or present in ChemAlert.

### What can you do?

An SDS is an important information source for managing the risks associated with the use of chemicals in workplaces, therefore:

- A copy of the SDS is to be sourced by the person intending to order/store the chemical before it is first obtained
- When the chemical arrives, the SDS must be sent to HSEM for updating into ChemAlert
- Areas must keep copies of SDS's for chemicals they use and must be readily accessible to:
  - All workers involved in using, handling or storing the chemical at the workplace
  - Emergency service workers, and
  - Anyone else who may be exposed to the chemical.

### Who do we call with questions?

If you have any queries, please contact Health, Safety and Emergency Management on 9266 4900 or email [healthandsafety@curtin.edu.au](mailto:healthandsafety@curtin.edu.au).



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## References

[Occupational Safety and Health Act 1984](#)

[Occupational Safety and Health Regulations 1996](#)

[Curtin University Chemical Management Plan](#)

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