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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS BUSINESS PLAN

What is the Hazardous Materials Business Plan?

The Hazardous Materials Business Plan (HMBP) is a document that details information on the storage and use of hazardous materials at a business facility.

What is the purpose of the Hazardous Materials Business Plan?

The major objective of having a business prepare a HMBP is to gather site specific information for emergency responders. The HMBP contains information on:

1. What hazardous materials are on site.
2. How much is there.
3. Where on site is it.
4. Emergency contact information.

Who must complete a Hazardous Materials Business Plan?

The owner of a facility that handles any hazardous material (or mixture containing a hazardous material), equal to or greater than:

1. 500 lbs of solid hazardous material.
2. 55 gal of liquid hazardous material.
3. 200 cu ft of compressed gas.

The facility owner must also submit an electronic hazardous materials business plan into Cal EPA's electronic reporting system (CERS)

What is considered a Hazardous Material?

Any material that because of its physical or chemical characteristics poses a potential hazard to health, safety and the environment. This includes products that are flammable, toxic, reactive or corrosive. Examples include:

- petroleum products (oil, hydraulic fluid, gasoline, diesel, etc.)
- welding gases
- pesticides
- solvents
- waste products (waste oil, spent solvents, etc.)