

WHMIS 2015 Deadline Approaching

We are quickly approaching the December 1st, 2018 deadline for reaching compliance with respect to the new WHMIS 2015 Legislation (see timeline from WorkSafeNB below).

If you have not yet done so, please contact your department safety rep or Andrew (afeicht1@unb.ca) immediately to confirm how you will handle your current inventory of items labelled under the WHMIS 1988 system.

Effectively, any bottle not labelled with the current WHMIS 2015 system will need to:

1. Be disposed of;
2. Be relabeled as appropriate; or,
3. Be replaced with a bottle with a new label.

If you have chemicals or cleaning material with warning labels in your space, and you have yet to discuss with EHS or your department, please reach out immediately.

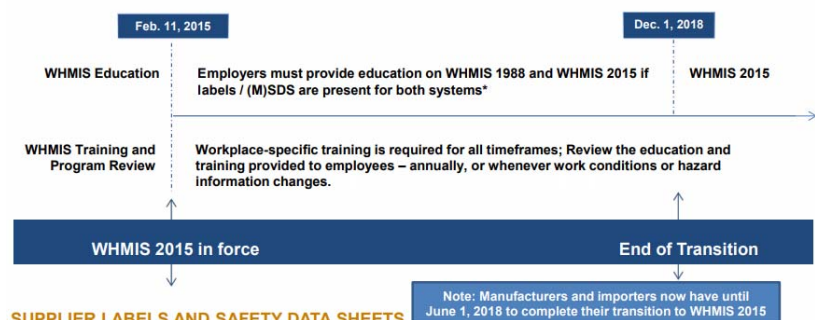


WorkSafeNB offers a page covering this topic as well:

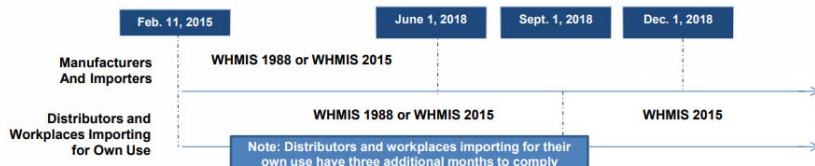
<http://www.worksafenb.ca/safety-excellence-nb/transition-to-whmis-2015/>

Please take time to review if you feel you may be affected (if there are WHMIS 1988 labels in your lab, you are affected), and in particular see the below timeline:

EMPLOYER EDUCATION, INSTRUCTION AND TRAINING OF EMPLOYEES



SUPPLIER LABELS AND SAFETY DATA SHEETS



*This includes employer-produced labels / (M)SDS

Accident/Near Miss Reporting – When, Why and How (Legislated requirement)

If you are injured or nearly injured while at UNB, you must complete a UNB Accident Report Form within 24 hours (<https://es.unb.ca/apps/accident-report/>); and, if treatment is required (first aid inclusive or more) notify Security immediately at 506-453-4830. Also, please note that WorkSafeNB must be immediately notified of the following:

- Any accidental explosion or exposure to a biological, chemical, or physical agent, whether or not a person is injured;
- Any catastrophic event or equipment failure that results, or could have resulted, in an injury;
- Worker admission to a hospital facility as an in-patient;
- A loss of consciousness;
- Burns requiring medical attention beyond first aid treatment;
- Fractures (other than to fingers or toes);
- Loss of vision in one or both eyes;
- Deep lacerations requiring medical attention beyond first aid treatment;
- Amputations; and
- Fatalities.

Immediate notification to WorkSafeNB can be made by calling 1-800-222-9775 and providing incident details.

Training Sessions:

- ☠ Radiation Safety – By request
- ☒ First Aid (2-day) – June, Register now
- ☒ First Aid Refresher (1-day) – Register now
- ☠ TDG Air, Ground, 6.2, and 7 – May/Aug

Waste Collections:

- ☠ General Hazardous – May

For more information, or to register:

Contact Kim, 453-5075, safety@unb.ca