# **Chemical Shipping & Receiving**

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## INTRODUCTION

- 1 out every 4 workers contacts chemicals on the job.
- In most cases, work chemicals are no more dangerous than household type.
- Workplace situations could be of a greater exposure time and higher concentrations.
- Regulations for shipping & handling are covered by OSHA, EPA & DOT.

### PHYSICAL HAZARDS

PHYSICAL: Exhibited by certain chemicals due to physical properties (flammability, reactivity, etc.). These fall into several classes ......

- Flammable liquids/solids ...... Gas, Diesel
- Combustible liquids ...... Solvents, MEK
- Compressed gases ..... Propane

### HEALTH HAZARDS

HEALTH: Chemical that may cause acute or chronic effects after exposure.

- Acute effects usually occur rapidly, after a brief exposure.
- Chronic effects are long, continuous and follows repeated long term exposure.

Examples: Toxic agents ...... fertilizers, insecticides
Irritants ...... Bleaches, ammonia