OCCUPATIONAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY
THE UNIVERSITY OF UTAH

FACT Sheet

Laboratory Hazard Warning Signage

Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety (OEHS) provides a uniform hazard warning signage program for all laboratories on campus. At a minimum all labs must have a current hazard warning sign posted outside the lab. The sign is used in compliance with the OSHA Hazard Communication Standard as well as on-call/emergency response.

Why am I being asked to fill out a hazard warning signage questionnaire?

Hazard warning signage is required for all laboratory spaces regardless of how minimal some hazards may seem. Since no two labs are the same, those who work in them have the best idea of what hazards may be present and how to recognize them. If there is already a sign posted outside your lab it could be that an update is necessary for contact information or new hazards that have been introduced.

How do I request a hazard warning sign?

- Go to the OEHS website (https://oehs.utah.edu/)
- Click on the tab that is labeled “FORMS”
- Scroll down and select “Hazard Warning Signage Questionnaire”
- Fill out the Lab Location and Contact Information
- In the section labeled “Hazard Identification” check all boxes that apply to your lab
- If you are unsure if a specific hazard applies to your lab, there is a definition section at the bottom of the questionnaire
- Once completed review your information and click “Submit”

What happens next?

Once submitted, a copy of the questionnaire will be sent to OEHS. Assigned OEHS personnel will prepare, print, and place the sign for you. It may be up to a week before OEHS places the sign outside the lab.

If after you submit the questionnaire you notice an error, you will need to fill out and submit a new questionnaire. Call OEHS (801-581-6590) and notify them of the mistake and that you submitted a second questionnaire.

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