



# WHMIS and Chemical Handling Procedure

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Viking Reinforcing Ltd. – Rebar Fabrication Yard and Reinforcing Steel Placement Operations (Parksville, BC)

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## 1. Purpose

This procedure establishes requirements for safe handling, storage, labeling, and use of hazardous products in accordance with WHMIS 2015 and WorkSafeBC regulations.

## 2. Scope

This procedure applies to all Viking Reinforcing workers handling fuels, oils, lubricants, cleaning chemicals, and other hazardous materials used in fabrication yard operations and construction sites.

## 3. Definitions

Term	Definition
WHMIS	Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System used in Canada.
SDS	Safety Data Sheet providing hazard information about a product.
Hazardous Product	Any product classified as hazardous under WHMIS regulations.



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### 4. Responsibilities

Chief Safety Officer (Dan Ansell)

- Ensures WHMIS compliance and worker training.

Superintendent (Thomas Gabinet)

- Ensures hazardous materials are handled safely on jobsites.

Yard Foreman (Matt Warawa)

- Ensures proper storage and labeling of chemicals in the yard.

Workers

- Follow safe handling procedures and review SDS before using chemicals.

### 5. Common Chemicals in Rebar Operations

- Hydraulic oil
- Diesel fuel
- Gasoline
- Lubricants and greases
- Cleaning solvents
- Spray paints and marking chemicals

### 6. Chemical Storage Requirements

Hazardous materials must be stored in properly labeled containers and kept in designated storage areas with secondary containment where required.

### 7. Safety Data Sheets (SDS)

Safety Data Sheets must be readily accessible to workers at all times either electronically or in a physical binder located in the workplace.

### 8. Safe Chemical Handling

Workers must:

- Review SDS information before use
- Wear required PPE
- Avoid spills or releases
- Report damaged containers or leaks



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### **9. Records and Documentation**

FORM-OHS-11 – Worker Training Record

REGISTER-OHS-04 – Worker Training and Competency Register

FORM-OHS-02 – Incident Report Form

### **10. Continuous Improvement**

Chemical handling practices will be reviewed periodically to ensure compliance with WHMIS regulations and Viking Reinforcing safety procedures.