# HAZARDOUS MATERIALS TECHNICAL COORDINATOR

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The Hazardous Materials Technical Coordinator manages hazardous materials and wastes in compliance with regulations to protect human health and the environment as well as to minimize an organization's risks.

# General Areas of Competence (In Bold) and Specific Tasks

# Category A. Interpreting Regulations

- A-1 Read/comprehend and interpret local, state, and federal regulations
- A-2 Consider organization product line and constraint
- A-3 Determine applicability of regulations (i.e., local, state, federal)
- A-4 Identify resources and references
- A-5 Develop network for interpretations
- A-6 Develop/recommend compliance methods/strategy
- A-7 Carry out applicable standards (i.e., OSHA, DOT, EPA)
- A-8 Respond to inquiries and requests
- A-9 Provide input to legislators about new or proposed regulations
- A-10 Maintain current files

### Category B. Developing/Maintaining Procedures and Plans

- B-1 Classify materials
- B-2 Interpret Material Safety Data Sheet
- B-3 Describe goals
- B-4 Consider audience (primary users)
- B-5 Review/ensure regulatory compliance (i.e., self-auditing)
- B-6 Consider organization's product line and constraints
- B-7 Consider alternative methods and costs
- B-8 Incorporate environmental safety program and guidelines
- B-9 Define responsibilities
- B-10 Provide information for prevention planning (e.g., waste minimization)
- B-11 Design distribution of plan
- B-12 Distribute handling procedures
- B-13 Develop forms/records
- B-14 Provide for and revise updates
- B-15 Maintain records

# Category C. Managing Hazardous Materials and Substances

- C-1 Identify and classify materials
- C-2 Ensure regulatory compliance
- C-3 Obtain permits
- C-4 Monitor inventory control
- C-5 Identify and assess environmental factors (e.g., auditing, environmental risk management, health)
- C-6 Control proper usage
- C-7 Control proper storage of hazardous materials
- C-8 Control transportation of hazardous materials (manifests and permits)

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- C-9 Monitor employees' handling of hazardous materials
- C-10 Conduct fact finding studies
- C-11 Evaluate and recommend alternatives (i.e., methods and materials)
- C-12 Maintain records

# Category D. Managing and Disposing Of Wastes

- D-1 Identify and classify wastes
- D-2 Ensure regulatory compliance (e.g., RCRA and special waste regulations)
- D-3 Obtain permits
- D-4 Monitor inventory control
- D-5 Identify and assess environmental factors
- D-6 Control proper storage of hazardous waste
- D-7 Control transportation of hazardous waste
- D-8 Control disposal of hazardous waste
- D-9 Monitor employees' handling of hazardous wastes
- D-10 Conduct fact finding studies
- D-11 Evaluate and recommend alternatives
- D-12 Maintain records

# • Category E. Training Employees

- E-1 Interpret regulations for training program regulatory compliance
- E-2 Define training needs
- E-3 Determine participants
- E-4 Outline or organize curriculum
- E-5 Determine costs
- E-6 Develop realistic schedule (e.g., frequency)
- E-7 Assemble/acquire training materials (e.g., hire consultants)
- E-8 Conduct training program
- E-9 Evaluate training activities (e.g., program review)
- E-10 Maintain records

# Category F. Sampling and Handling Hazardous Materials

- F-1 Ensure regulatory compliance
- F-2 Identify and assess lab services
- F-3 Identify the material
- F-4 Follow organization's policies
- F-5 Identify, select and use safety equipment
- F-6 Collect sample
- F-7 Package the sample for shipping
- F-8 Arrange lab analysis of sample
- F-9 Interpret analytical data
- F-10 Disseminate information
- F-11 Coordinate information with outside agencies (e.g., vendors for disposal)
- F-12 Maintain records

### Category G. Contracting Services

- G-1 Define scope of work/needs
- G-2 Write specifications
- G-3 Consult with legal staff
- G-4 Consult with purchasing department
- G-5 Provide cost justifications
- G-6 Research qualified contractors/vendors for services and products
- G-7 Conduct on-site visits
- G-8 Select contractor

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- G-9 Secure and award bid
- G-10 Obtain permits
- G-11 Train contractors
- G-12 Evaluate and verify vendor's performance
- G-13 Maintain records

## Category H. Coordinating Emergency Response Plans

- H-1 Develop emergency response plans (i.e., SPCC plans, CAA 112R)
- H-2 Gather information about incident
- H-3 Assess the extent of the situation
- H-4 Activate response plan
- H-5 Determine reporting requirements (i.e., local, state, federal CERCLA, EPCRA)
- H-6 Ensure regulatory compliance
- H-7 Report incident (e.g., spills)
- H-8 Designate authority
- H-9 Provide advise to emergency response crews
- H-10 Direct use of emergency equipment
- H-11 Supervise clean-up
- H-12 Provide public relations information
- H-13 Verify completion
- H-14 Critique situation
- H-15 Maintain records

## Category I. Auditing Regulatory Compliance

- I-1 Follow organization's policies and procedures
- I-2 Create master file (e.g., data base for record management)
- I-3 Create/follow audit schedule
- I-4 Audit records
- I-5 Interview personnel
- I-6 Inventory materials and equipment
- I-7 Assess environmental factors and conditions (e.g., on-site visits)
- I-8 Report results (i.e., violations and compliance)
- I-9 Propose corrective action
- I-10 Verify follow-up activities
- I-11 Maintain confidentiality
- I-12 Control dissemination of report findings
- I-13 Critique the audit process (e.g., be open to feedback)
- I-14 Conduct cost benefit analysis
- I-15 Maintain records

# • Category J. Continuing Education

- J-1 Read current publications
- J-2 Attend seminars
- J-3 Maintain communication with peer groups
- J-4 Provide training sessions
- J-5 Participate in professional associations
- J-6 Participate in community relations activities
- J-7 Acquire and maintain certification
- J-8 Write technical papers and articles

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