

UWO Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee
Workplace Safety Inspection Guide/Checklist

Date: _____ **Department:** _____ **Location:** _____
JOHSC Member: _____ **OH&S Member:** _____

Supervisory Responsibilities

- Y N N/A Has a workplace (and campus) orientation been given to all workers?
Y N N/A Has training on special hazards been given (and documented) by the supervisor?

Basic Safety

- Y N N/A Are aisles, walkways and exits clear and all walking surfaces slip free?
Y N N/A Is the access to all emergency equipment and services clear?
Y N N/A Are shelves, bookcases etc. sufficient for the intended load and well secured?
Y N N/A Are records kept of workplace equipment inspection and maintenance?
Y N N/A Is all mechanical, cutting, chemical and/or ionizing equipment properly shielded?
Y N N/A Is all vacuum and/or pressure systems properly shielded or guarded?
Y N N/A Are proper Dewars being used for cryogenic liquids? (i.e. liquid nitrogen).
Y N N/A Does all electrical equipment have (CSA, ULC, etc.) approval stickers/plates?
Y N N/A Is all equipment connected directly to the supply without the use of extension cords?
Y N N/A Is electrical equipment (without GFCI protection) well clear of wet environments?
Y N N/A Are compressed gas cylinders individually and securely restrained?
Y N N/A Is the proper regulator being used for each compressed gas?

WHMIS

- Y N N/A Is the laboratory/emergency equipment posted according to UWO guidelines?
Y N N/A Are all hazardous materials labelled according to section 8.3?
Y N N/A Is there a current inventory all hazardous substances in the lab?
Y N N/A Do the workers know where to find current (< 3 yrs.) MSDS's for materials being used?
Y N N/A Have all workers received the prescribed training from OH&S?

Hygiene Practices

- Y N N/A Are chemicals stored and segregated according to UWO regulations?
Y N N/A Is waste segregated/streamed/stored/labelled properly?
Y N N/A Are large/heavy containers stored less than 2 metres above the floor?
Y N N/A Are explosion proof refrigerators used for the storage of flammable liquids?
Y N N/A Are there < 10 litres of flammable liquids outside an approved (yellow) cabinet?
Y N N/A Are fumehoods being used as required and free of storage and clutter?
Y N N/A Is the fumehood flow alarm of flow indicator present and working properly?
Y N N/A Is proper personal protective equipment being worn by all lab personnel?
Y N N/A Is the lab free of all evidence of food consumption in hazard areas?

Emergency Equipment and Procedures

- Y N N/A Do personnel know the location of the closest First Aid Kit and Spill Kit?
Y N N/A Is there an Eyewash Station and Safety Shower (<25m) available as needed?
Y N N/A Are the Fire Extinguishers appropriate and checked regularly (monthly)?
Y N N/A Do personnel know the Emergency Evacuation Plan and route of exit from the workplace?
Y N N/A Is an emergency contact sign posted with names and numbers of key personnel?
Y N N/A Are UWO accident/incident forms available and accidents/incident procedures posted?