

# SAFETY DATA SHEETS (SDS) AWARENESS

## Toolbox Talk



### WHY IT'S IMPORTANT

- Safety Data Sheets (SDS) are essential tools for understanding chemical hazards
- They provide detailed information on how to handle, store, and respond to exposure.

### SAFETY DATA SHEETS

- SDSs are like cheat sheets for chemicals. They tell you everything you need to know from:
  - Proper chemical storage and handling
  - What PPE should be worn and when
  - First aid and emergency procedures
  - Exposure procedures

### KEY SDS SECTIONS

- Safety Data Sheets are broken down into a standardized format
- Each SDS consistent of 16 sections
- Key sections include:
  - Section 4 - First Aid Measures
  - Section 5 - Fire Fighting Measures
  - Section 7 - Handling and Storage
  - Section 8 - Exposure Controls/PPE

### BEST PRACTICE

- Know where the SDS are stored in your work area
- Review SDS before using any unfamiliar chemicals.
- Follow all recommended safety measures
- Ask questions if anything is unclear

**SDS ARE YOUR SAFETY BLUEPRINT WHEN WORKING WITH CHEMICALS. THEY'RE NOT JUST PAPERWORK – THEY'RE LIFESAVING DOCUMENTS.**