

10 steps to perfect spill response

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Be spill prepared not ill prepared



1

Stop, assess the situation

Check for injuries & consult the companies spill response plan.

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Identify the risk

Identify the substance and assess the level of risk.



HELP!

3

Seek help

If you feel that the risk of responding is too great, keep people away from the area and seek help.



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PPE

Protect yourself and any co-responders by making sure you put on the appropriate level of PPE.



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Shut off the source

Attempt to shut off the source of the spill at source (if it is safe to do so) or if not, close to the source.

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Contain the spill

Attempt to contain the spread of liquid (if it is safe to do so). Using Booms, Socks, or other suitable containment devices. If the spill has occurred outside, use appropriate equipment to temporarily seal nearby drain inlets.



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Clean up

Once the spill has been controlled, evaluate then proceed to the clean up phase (if safe to do so) using absorbents provided.



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Bag, label and dispose

Bag, label and dispose of soiled absorbents and equipment in line with local waste regulations. Decontaminate the area and any equipment used in the clean-up operation if necessary.



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Replenish stock

Replenish all spill kits and stocks of absorbent materials used.



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Make recommendations

Write an after-spill report & conduct an assessment of the team's performance. Make recommendations for improvements and implement.



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