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UPDATING OF THE SECOND REVISED EDITION OF THE GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS (GHS)

Proposed corrections to the GHS text

Transmitted by the expert from the United States of America

In reviewing the corrections proposed by the Secretariat in INF.8 and consulting with stakeholders, the United States has identified the following additional corrections, which we would ask the Sub-Committee to consider for inclusion in the next revision of the GHS document. These corrections make no changes in the substance of the GHS text as agreed and reflect points identified in the course of planning for GHS implementation.

Chapter 1.5

1. The values in Table 1.5.1 (cut-off values/concentration limits for when a safety data sheet should be provided) should be updated to include aspiration and to reflect the current GHS text on sensitization, as follows:

- (a) In the entry for “Respiratory/skin sensitization,” replace “ $\geq 1.0\%$ ” with “ $\geq 0.1\%$ ”
- (b) Add new entries at the end of the table:

Aspiration hazard (Category 1)	$\geq 10\%$ of Category 1 substance(s) and kinematic viscosity $\leq 20.5 \text{ mm}^2/\text{s}$ at 40°C
Aspiration hazard (Category 2)	$\geq 10\%$ of Category 2 substance(s) and kinematic viscosity $\leq 14 \text{ mm}^2/\text{s}$ at 40°C

References (English text): 3.4.3.3, Table 3.4.1 (p. 152)
3.10.3.3 (p. 211)

Chapter 3.1


2. In Table 3.1.1, before each numerical entry, add “≤”. This symbol was considered implicit, and included in the Decision Logic and Table 3.1.2, so for greater clarity it should also be included in Table 3.1.1

References: Tables 3.1.1 (p. 109), Table 3.1.2 (p. 113) and Decision Logics (pp. 118-119)

Annex 2

3. Modify the proposal in INF. 8 as follows:

In table A2.18, for Category 3 “Mild irritant,” under the heading “Hazard communication elements”,

<i>For</i>		<i>read</i>	<i>No symbol</i>
<i>For</i>	Causes skin irritation	<i>read</i>	Causes mild skin irritation

Reference: 2.1.4, Table 3.2.5 (p. 129)