

Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods and on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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GHS virtual training in South Africa

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Purpose

1. This paper is to inform the subcommittee of RPMASA's continued initiative to provide virtual GHS Training in South Africa with the ongoing covid19 pandemic and varying levels of lockdowns.
 2. RPMASA has continued its' initiative to present virtual GHS Training via MS Teams to assist Industry understand how to implement the GHS, and comply with International Regulations for exporters, and the National Dept of Labour Hazardous Chemical Agents Regulations gazetted on the 29th. March 2021. The HCA Regulations bring GHS Classification, GHS compliant Safety Data Sheets and product labels into South African Law aligned to UN GHS 8th revision.
 3. Virtual GHS Introduction, and Advanced courses were presented in July, September and October, with attendance from Regulators from National Depts Agriculture, Transport, Environment, Labour and the National Regulator for Compulsory Standards.
 4. An additional course was presented to a neighbouring Eswatini organisation to help them understand and implement both GHS and TDG requirements for exporting.
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