**HAZMAT CHECKLIST**

***Initial Actions***

**Think Safety**

• Assess situation.

• Safe approach, upwind/upgrade/upstream.

• Identify, isolate and deny entry.

• Update dispatch.

• Exact location, use GPS.

• Request needed assistance and identify a safe approach route.

**Scene Management**

• Goal is to protect **life, environment and property**.

• Attempt to identify substance using DOT North American Emergency Response

Guide. Use binoculars, placards/labels, container shapes/colors, Safety

Data Sheets (SDS), shipping papers, etc.

• Quantity and description of material involved.

• Exposures and hazards (Evac. Shelter-in-place) surrounding the site.

• Continually monitor weather.

**Organizational Responsibilities**

• Establish chain of command / ICS

• Develop action plan for area security and evacuation.

• Advise all on scene and responding resources of changes in situation.

• Consider EMS/Treatment area for exposure victims. \*Notify area hospital of possible haz mat situation.

• Keep dispatcher advised of changes.

• Document all actions taken (ICS 214).

􀂾 Contacts

􀂾 Employee exposures

**General Guidelines For Isolation Distances**

• Minor event (1 drum, 1 bag, etc.) = 150 feet

• Major event (1 drum or more, etc.) = 500

• Residential and light commercial = 330 feet

\*Truck or Rail w/explosives “on fire” = 1 mile

• Open areas = 1000 feet

• BLEVE (Boiling Liquid Expanding Vapor Explosion) potential = 2500 feet (onehalf

mile)

• Stage arriving units 2500 feet upwind.

• Position vehicles headed out.

**916-845-8911 - State OES Warning Center 24hr.**

**1-800-424-9300 - CHEMTREC** (Chemical Transportation Emergency Center)

For immediate information about a chemical or to seek assistance from

a manufacturer.

**1-800-424-8802 - National Response Center**- To report spills of oil and

Hazardous Material.