SECTION 711
SAFETY OFFICE: HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT/RADIATION SAFETY/ASBESTOS

SOURCE: NDSU President

1. Chemicals and other hazardous substances should be used only by persons familiar with their hazardous characteristics. Safety precautions need to be followed as appropriate and must include the use of appropriate personal protective equipment to include, at a minimum, laboratory apparel, safety goggles, respirators, and/or fume hoods.

1.2 The disposal of all hazardous substances is handled by the Safety Office, of the University Police and Safety Office (UP&SO). Hazardous items may not be disposed of in common trash containers or in the University sewer system. If in doubt as to whether or not a substance is hazardous, the employee should contact the Safety Office (231-7759).

2. Radioactive materials can be used by University personnel only after authorization has been granted by the University Radiation Safety Committee. The Safety Office should be contacted to obtain an application for radioactive material usage, or for any other questions on radiation safety related matters.

3. All University buildings identified as potentially containing asbestos material have been surveyed for the substance by means of sampling and evaluation. Where buildings have not been surveyed (e.g., new or newly renovated buildings), documentation is available indicating that no asbestos containing material was used during the construction process.

4. NDSU has developed a Safety & Risk Management Program to protect its employees whose jobs place them at risk of exposure or injury due to on-the-job hazards. Safe Operating Procedures/Standards have been developed to establish uniform requirements for all chief hazards. These standards are available to all employees for review from the Safety Office.

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