

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE
TRANSPORTATION OF FUELS, OILS & CHEMICALS**

Purpose: Safe and effective transportation of fuels, oils and chemicals

Personal Protective Equipment ★ specific to this Procedure:



Safety Footwear



High Visibility Clothing
(if in Forest)



Safety Gloves



Safety Clothing

* WHEN ENTERING THE FOREST ENVIRONMENT BE AWARE OF ANY NEW OR ONGOING HAZARDS

Equipment specific to task:

Load securing equipment

Spill Response Kit

Fire Fighting Equipment

Pre-requisite training or competency requirements:

Farm Chemical Users Course

Transportation of Dangerous Goods (if appropriate)

Unit Emergency Response Training (Spill Response)

Note: Drivers do not require a special Dangerous Goods licence.

References:

[Response to Fuel, Oil or Chemical Spills SOP](#)

SDS ★/label ★ for chemical being used

Chemical Manifest

★ Legal Requirements – refer to Legal & Consents (Compliance) Register for more information

Recommended Procedure	Potential Risk/Impact Considerations (Safety, Environment, Quality)
Job Step 1: Movement, storage and handling of chemicals	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow instructions on label ★ at all times. Refer to SDS ★ to ensure safety. Always store and handle chemicals/fuels/oils in a securely bunded area ★. Check condition of containers and packaging. Check quantities required to minimise volumes transported. Check vessel to be filled has no leaks. Refill vessels away from areas which directly access waterways ★. Make use of aids for manual handling ★. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chemical/fuel/oil spills and leaks polluting soil and/or water. Fire releasing toxic fumes due to incorrect storage. Manual handling injuries. Contact with chemicals leading to health issues.
Job Step 2: Transporting of chemicals	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check condition of containers and packaging. Ensure loads are secured and balanced for transport; make use of side gates, tarps or tie-downs ★. Ensure vehicle displays a Class 8 diamond shaped sign, both front and back, when loaded with soluble copper sulphate ★. Ensure SDS and manifest in the cabin of the vehicle ★. Drive safely to avoid vehicle accidents or spillage of chemicals. Plan transportation route. Ensure vehicle has fire fighting equipment on board if applicable for the substance being transported ★ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Spillage/leaking from containers polluting soil and/or water. Public safety affected. Vehicle accidents.



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Job Step 3: Record Data

- Complete records to ensure accurate storage records★.
- Non-compliance with storage limits.

SPILL OF COPPER SULPHATE (CLASS 8)

- Notify emergency services on 000.
- **Product is caustic. DO NOT attempt to clean up.**

Clean up / Waste disposal

- If applicable, dispose of chemical waste as per the label★ and SDS★ instructions.
- Dispose or recycle non-chemical waste appropriately★.