
GLOBALY HARMONIZED SYSTEM (GHS)

The "Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS)", addresses the classification of chemicals by types of hazard and proposes harmonized hazard communication elements, including labels and safety data sheets, in order to enhance the protection of human health and the environment during the handling, transport and use of these chemicals.

The GHS also provides a basis for harmonization of rules and regulations on chemicals at national, regional and worldwide level; also an important factor for trade facilitation.

GHS is a UN recommendation and an invitation to competent authorities to introduce GHS elements into local or regional legislation. The worldwide implementation of GHS is a dynamic process throughout different countries of the world.

The Regulation (EC) No. 1272/2008 on classification, labelling and packaging of substances and mixtures (CLP) implements GHS in the European Union (EU) and replaces all previous regulations into the EU.

The CLP Regulation has to be implemented for substances by December 1, 2010, and for mixtures by June 1, 2015.

Unicolour Limited understands the importance of this change and our obligations. We have been working together with our suppliers to ensure that products supplied by Unicolour are compliant with CLP

- Ensuring all substances are classified in accordance with Directive 67/548/EEC and CLP
- Adding notifications to the C&L inventory for all substances we import into the EU
- Ensuring all substances are labeled and packaged in accordance with CLP
- Obtaining the SDS for substances with both Directive 67/548/EEC and CLP Classifications

Should you have any concerns or wish to discuss any queries further please contact Joanne Gleason