12. Combustible and Flammable Liquids

12.01. Only approved containers and portable tanks shall be used for storage and handling of flammable and combustible liquids. Approved safety cans or Department of Transportation approved containers shall be used for handling and use of flammable liquids in quantities of 5 gallons or less.

Note: The above does not apply to flammable liquid materials which are highly viscid (extremely hard to pour) which may be used and handled in their original shipping containers. For quantities of one gallon or less, the original container should be used for storage, use and handling.

12.02. Flammable or combustible liquids shall not be stored in areas used for exits, stairways, or normally used for the safe passage of people.

12.03. Inside a facility, no more than 25 gallons of flammable or combustible liquids shall be stored in a room outside of an approved storage cabinet.

12.04. Gasoline:

12.04.01. Gasoline fires shall be fought with an extinguisher that is rated for Class B Fires such as carbon dioxide, dry chemical, or foam. It should be noted that water spray may be used to cool containers that may be exposed to the heat of the fire to prevent an explosion.

12.04.02. If there is a spill, notify emergency response personnel, evacuate area, remove ignition sources; build a dike to contain flow, do not flush to sewer or open water. Pick up with inert absorbent and place in closed container for disposal.

12.04.03. Post “No Smoking” signs around gasoline storage and ensure that it is enforced. Use only approved plastic or metal containers for portable gasoline carriers. They shall not contain more than 5 gallons.