24. Signs and Tags

24.01. Signs and tags should be used to warn of specific hazards. Types of signs are classified according to their use, and their design is regulated by standard. All personnel should be instructed in the meaning of the various types of signs. Sign usage includes:

24.01.01. Danger Signs (Red border, Black typescripts with White background): indicates an immediate hazard that presents a threat of death or serious injury and denotes special operational procedures are required that shall not be deviated from.

24.01.02. Warning Signs (Black typescripts with orange background): Indicate an incident prevention tag are to warn of hazardous or potentially hazardous conditions that are out of the ordinary, unexpected, or not readily apparent..

24.01.03. Caution Signs (Black typescripts with yellow background): warns of a potential hazard or cautions against an unsafe practice.

24.01.04. Safety Instruction Signs (White Background): used to provide general instructions and suggestions relative to safety measures.

24.02. All tags shall have:

24.02.01. A signal word: “Danger”; “Warning”; “Caution”; BIOHAZARD (and or its symbol; a major message such as: “High Voltage” or “Do not start”; major messages indicate the specific hazardous condition.)

24.03. The color scheme is basically the same as for signs:

24.03.01. Danger Black typescripts; red border with white background
24.03.02. Warning Black typescripts with orange background
24.03.03. Caution Black typescripts with yellow background
24.03.04. Biological hazard Black typescripts fluorescent orange background

24.04. Danger Tags: indicates a hazardous condition that is immediately dangerous to life and health and denotes special operational procedures are required and or active that shall not be deviated from. Under penalty of discipline up to and including termination; these tags shall only be installed or removed exclusively by the affixing employee.

24.05. Warning Tags: indicate an incident prevention notification to advise of potentially hazardous conditions that are not ordinary; unexpected from standard, and or not readily apparent.

24.06. Caution Tags: indicate an alert of an abnormal operating condition; non-immediate hazard and or unsafe condition that presents a lesser threat of injury.

24.07. Biohazard Tags: indicate the actual or potential presence of a biological hazard and identify equipment, rooms, containers, etc., that may be contaminated.