
Poster to help tannery workers with chemical safety

Worldwide

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TEGEWA, an association based in Germany for Northern European chemical suppliers in the fields of textiles, leather, auxiliaries and detergents, has launched a poster, initially in mandarin, to help tannery workers use and handle leather chemicals safely.

The safety poster was launched by Egbert Dijkers of Dutch leather chemical maker Smit & zoon, and Dr Dietrich Tegtmeyer of Lanxess, during the All China Leather Exhibition in Shanghai on August 31, 2016. The aim is to improve worker education, safe practices and protocols when using and handling leather chemicals in the tannery where chemicals are used.

The first edition of the poster is in mandarin with a series of pictograms highlighting safety guidelines for the safe use of chemicals.

The initiative forms part of TEGEWA's "Responsible Care – our commitment to sustainability" programme to inform and educate workers, including managers, in the tannery environment. TEGEWA, which counts most of the most important German and North European leather chemicals makers as members, aims to produce the poster in a number of major leather industry specific languages in the near future. The posters will be situated on the shop-floor within the tannery.

"Chemical companies cannot take over the responsibility on safety matters in the tannery. However, we can provide a service like this poster to support easy to understand safety guidelines on top of the extensive GHS SDS's sent already", says Egbert Dijkers, Head of CSR at Smit & zoon. "The tannery manager has the option to show a personal commitment on safety by signing this poster as safety must be a normal topic of discussion for improvement within the tannery environment", he added.



Safety Guidelines for a safe use of chemicals

化学品使用安全指导



 <p>Inform yourself before handling chemicals. 接触化学品之前先了解相关知识。</p>	 <p>Notify unsafe situations to management. 通知上级有关安全隐患。</p>
 <p>Wear safety goggles when you deal with chemicals. 接触化学品时一定要佩戴安全防护眼镜。</p>	 <p>Cover your body including arms and legs with clothing when working with chemicals. Prevent body parts to come in contact with chemicals. 处理化学品时一定要穿安全服(遮盖手臂和腿部), 避免身体直接接触化学品。</p>
 <p>Use suitable gloves when you work with chemicals. 处理化学品时要佩戴安全防护手套。</p>	 <p>Use suitable safety shoes when working in tanneries and warehouses. 在制革厂和仓库工作时要穿合适的安全鞋。</p>
 <p>Wear dust mask when working with chemicals in dusty area or full face mask when the concentration of dusts is very high. 在灰尘区域处理化学品时要佩戴防尘口罩, 当灰尘浓度过高时需要佩戴能遮住全脸的面罩。</p>	 <p>Keep food away from chemicals. Do not eat when working with chemicals. 避免食品接触到化学品。接触化学品时禁止用食。</p>



Signature of the manager
经理签名



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TEGEWA's chemical safety poster in mandarin