

Chemicals of Concern

Many chemicals that have legitimate and beneficial uses can also be used for dangerous purposes. You, as a retailer, play an integral role in forming the first line of defence against those who would use these materials to harm our communities and jeopardize our way of life. We are asking for your help to promote increased vigilance and protection for these chemicals.

Do you buy, sell or use any of the following chemicals?

Chemicals of Concern (regulated)

Chemical	Examples of normal use
Ammonium nitrate	Fertilizer, first aid cold packs
Hydrogen peroxide	Hair bleach, cleaning products
Nitromethane	Car racing fuel, pesticides, pharmaceuticals, a dissolving agent in Super Glue®
Potassium chlorate	Safety matches, herbicides
Potassium perchlorate	Pyrotechnics, automotive air-bag igniters, fireworks
Sodium chlorate	Pulp bleaching, herbicides
Nitric acid	Metal treatment, fertilizer production, wood finishing
Potassium nitrate	Fertilizer, gunpowder, stump remover
Sodium nitrate	Fertilizer, food preservatives

Watch List (unregulated)

Chemical	Examples of normal use
Ketones (Acetone, MEK)	Solvent, nail polish remover
Urea	De-icer, resin intermediate
Hexamine	Camping fuel tablets
Sulphuric acid	Battery acid, drain cleaners
Citric acid	Food additive, water softener

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Know your inventory. Secure your product. Sell only to those with legitimate need.

Your effort makes a difference. Yes, You Can Help!

Point-of-sale Precautions What can you do? Follow these simple steps.

- Ask technical questions to see if your customers know their business and have a legitimate need for the chemicals.
- Observe and note suspicious behaviour or unusual purchases.
- ✓ Refuse to sell to questionable customers.
- ✓ If you suspect misuse of chemicals, report it! RCMP National Security Line 1-800-420-5805. Natural Resources Canada, Explosives Regulatory Division, 613-948-5200.

Canada is counting on your eyes, your instincts and your cooperation.

