

SAFETY INSPECTION CHECKLIST FOR OFFICES

Date: _____ Department: _____

Location: _____ Inspected By: _____

Bulletin Boards and Signs	Yes	No	N/A
Are they clean and readable?			
Is the material changed frequently?			
Floors			
Are the floors clean, dry and free of any loose material, debris or			
worn carpeting?			
Stairways and Aisles			
Are they clear and unblocked?			
Are stairways well lighted?			
Are the aisles marked and visible?			
Equipment			
Are guards, screens and sound-dampening devices in place and effective?			
Is the furniture safe?			
i) No worn or badly designed chairs/loose casters on chairs			
ii) No sharp edges on desks and cabinets			
iii) No poor ergonomics (keyboard elevation, chair			
adjustment)			
iv) No crowding			
Are the ladders safe, well maintained and properly affixed?			
Emergency Equipment			
Are all fire extinguishers being regularly inspected?			
Is fire control equipment appropriate for the type of fire it must control?			
Is emergency lighting in place and regularly tested?			
Building			
Do buildings conform to standards with respect to use, occupancy,			
building services and plumbing facilities?			
Are all emergency exits clearly marked, visible and unobstructed?			
Is there appropriate amount of storage space for materials?			
Are materials stored safely?			

Are the following structures built to ensure safety?		
i) swinging doors		
ii) floors and wall opening		
iii) ladders, stairways and ramps		
Air Handling System		
Does air exchange rate meet standard requirements?		
Is humidity at a standard level?		
Does ventilation control smoke and fumes?		
WHMIS		
Have all personnel received WHMIS training?		
Are all hazardous materials labeled according to the WHMIS		
Regulations?		
Is there a current inventory of all hazardous substances in the lab?		
Do personnel know where to find current (<3 years) MSDS for the		
materials being used?		
Sanitation		
Are washrooms and food preparation areas clean?		
Are the following provided adequately?		
i) toilets		
ii) showers		
iii) potable water		
iv) clothing storage		
v) change rooms		
vi) field accommodations		
vii) lunchrooms		
Are measures in place to prevent the spread of disease?		
Security		
Do entry and exit procedures provide workers personal security at		
night?		
Are emergency (evacuation, fire, bomb threat) procedures in place?		
Lighting		
Are lamp reflectors clean?		
Are all areas properly lit?		
Are bulbs replaced as soon as they burn out?		
Material Storage		
Are materials neatly and safely piled?		
Are passageways and work areas clear of obstructions?		
General		
Are power bars in place for multi-equipment use?		
Are walkways free of electrical cords and telephone cords?		
Are machines properly guarded?		
Is electrical wiring properly concealed?		
Is all equipment free of sharp metal projections?		
Are wall and ceiling fixtures fastened securely?		

Are paper and waste properly disposed of?		
Are desk and file drawers kept closed when not in use?		
Are office accessories in secure places?		
Are materials stacked on desks or cabinets?		
Are file cabinet drawers overloaded?		
Are filing stools or wastebaskets placed where they might be		
tripping hazards?		

ADDITIONAL OBSERVATIONS