

HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES HANDLING

Handling and
Transport of
Dangerous Goods



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INTRODUCTION

- Dangerous goods pose risks to health, property and the environment.
- Their handling and transport are strictly regulated in the EU.



CLP REGULATION

- CLP (EC No. 1272/2008) governs classification, labelling and packaging of chemicals.
- It is based on the Globally Harmonized System (GHS).

KEY ELEMENTS OF CLP LABELLING

- Hazard pictograms
- Signal words
- Hazard statements (H)
- Precautionary statements (P)
- Product and supplier identification

HAZARD PICTOGRAMS

- Visual symbols indicating the type of hazard:
- toxic, flammable, explosive, corrosive, irritant.



SIGNAL WORDS

- Danger – for severe hazards
- Warning – for less severe hazards

HAZARD & PRECAUTIONARY STATEMENTS

- H-statements – describe risks (hazard).
- P-statements – describe safety measures (prevention, protection).
- Safety Data Sheet

TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS

- Transport involves substances that may cause fires, explosions, or environmental harm.
- Transport regulations:
 - ADR – road
 - RID – rail
 - ADN – inland waterways
 - IMDG – sea
 - IATA – air



Road Chemical Transport



Rail Chemical Transport



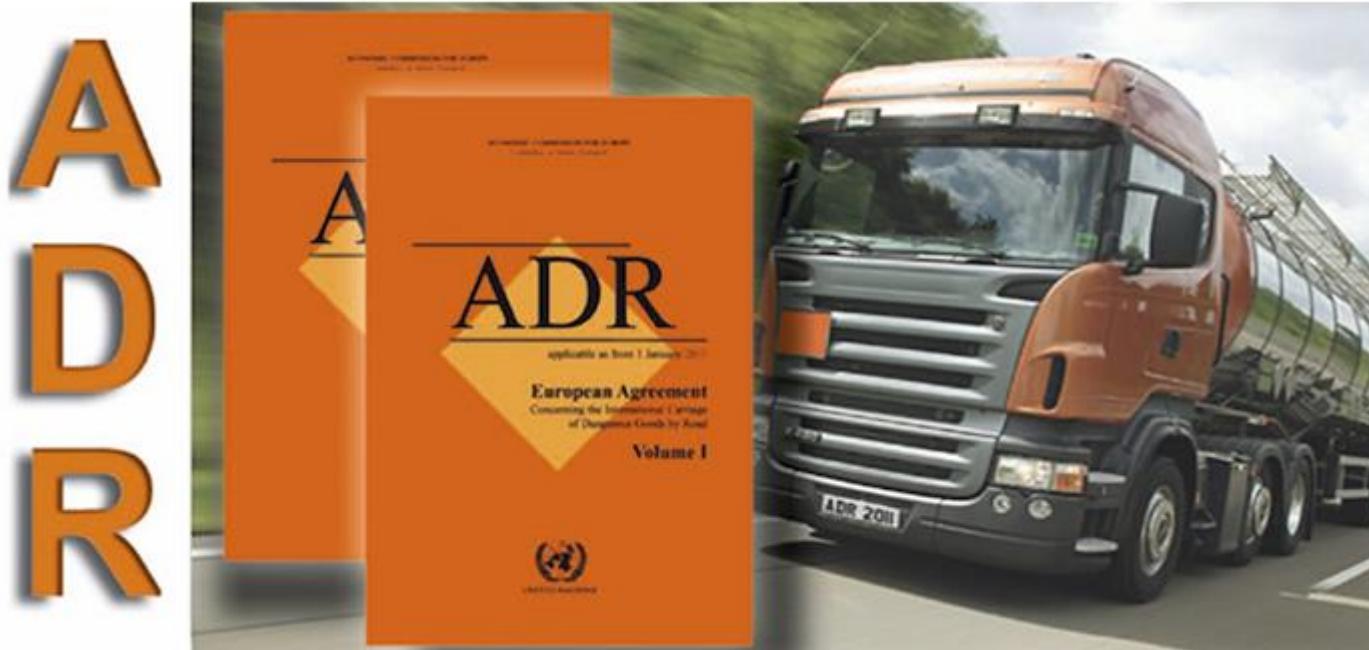
Air Chemical Transport



Ocean Chemical Transport

ADR AGREEMENT

- International agreement regulating road transport of dangerous goods.
- Updated every two years – last update 2025



ADR CLASSIFICATION

Dangerous goods are divided into 9 classes according to risk.

Category	Name
1	Explosive materials and objects
2	Gases
3	Flammable liquid materials
4	Inflammatory solids
4.1	Self-igniting materials
4.2	Materials producing flammable gases in contact with water
4.3	Oxidizing materials
5.1	Organic materials
5.2	Organic peroxides
6.1	Poisonous materials
6.2	Infectious materials
7	Radioactive materials
8	Corrosive materials
9	Various dangerous materials and objects

ADR CLASSES

Danger class 1 - Explosive substances



Danger class 2 - Gases



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Danger class 3
Flammable liquids



Danger class 4.1



Danger class 4.2



Danger class 4.3



Danger class 5.1
Oxidizer



Danger class 5.2
Organic peroxide



Danger class 6.1
Toxic substances



Danger class 6.2
Infectious substances



Danger class 7 - Radioactive components



Danger class 8
Corrosive materials



Danger class 9
Miscellaneous dangerous compounds



VEHICLE MARKING

- Vehicles must be marked with orange plates and hazard placards.



ORANGE PLATES

- hazard identification number (Kemler) and UN number



→ Orange Plate Marking,
standard size

400x300 mm



→ Orange Plate Marking,
reduced size

300x120 mm



→ Hazard identification
number

→ UN number
Goods identification number

400x300 mm

HAZCHEM MARKING

- an emergency information system used to identify **dangerous substances during transport**, mainly in road tankers and storage containers
- primary purpose is to provide **quick, clear instructions for emergency responders**, especially firefighters, in the event of an accident or fire



HAZCHEM

HazChem Chart

1 – Water Jet	2 – Fog	3 – Foam	4 – Dry Agent
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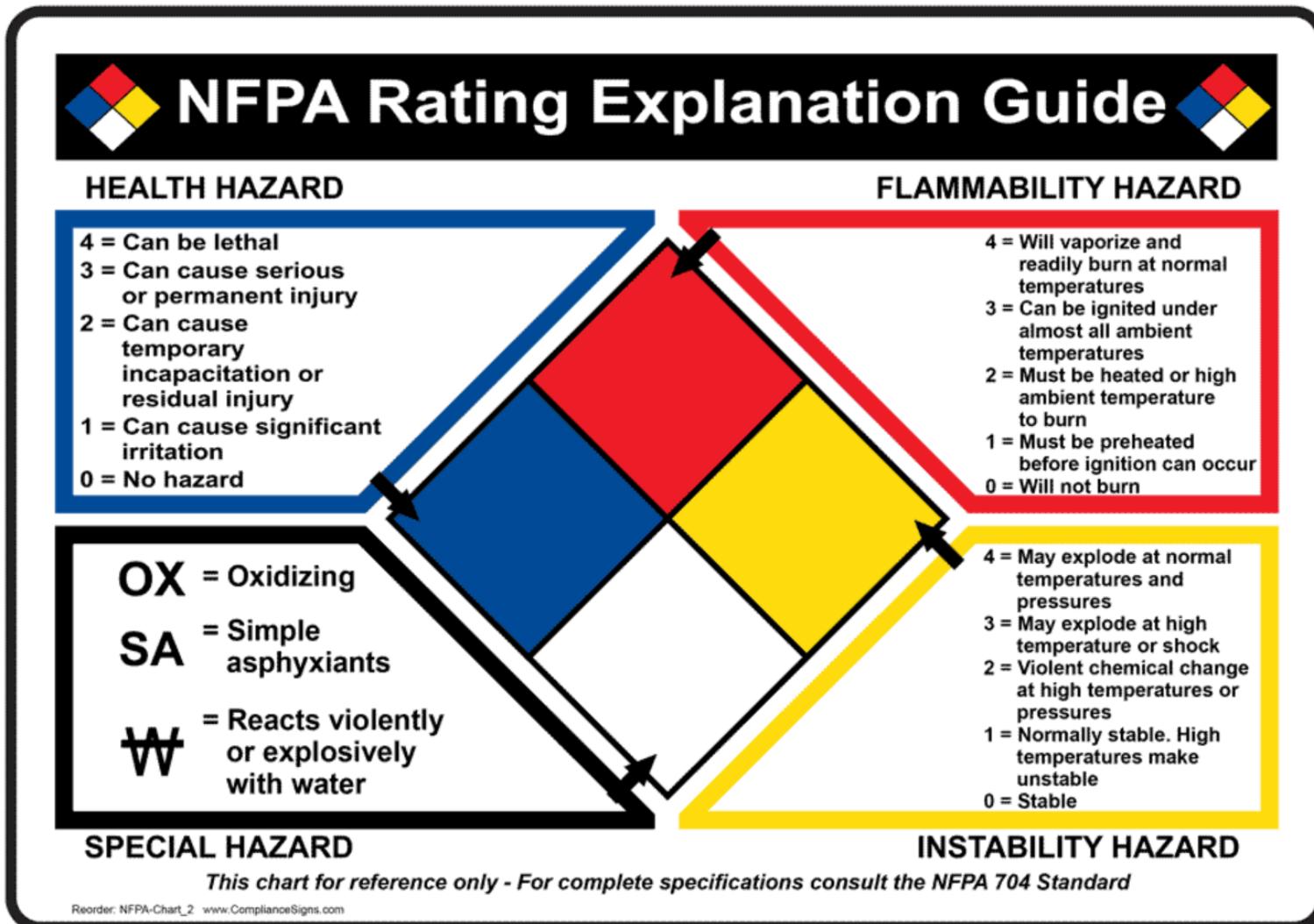
Category	Violence	Protection	Substance Control
P	V	Full	
R		BA	
S	V	BA For Fire Only	Dilute
S		BA	
T	V	BA For Fire Only	
W		Full	
X		BA	
Y	V	BA For Fire Only	Contain
Y		BA	
Z		BA For Fire Only	
Z		Consider Evacuation	
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HAZARD DIAMOND

- NFPA 704 sign
- a visual system used to **quickly communicate the dangers of hazardous substances**, mainly for **emergency responders** such as firefighters
- **instant information** about health risks, flammability, reactivity, and special hazards
- Colors show the type of danger, numbers show its severity (0–4)



HAZARD DIAMOND



ADR vs. HAZCHEM vs. NFPA

- **ADR** – legal requirements for transport, classification, and vehicle marking
- **HAZCHEM** – **emergency response guidance** during transport incidents
- **NFPA 704** – quick **risk assessment** for emergency responders

- ADR regulates transport, HAZCHEM guides emergency response, and NFPA 704 provides instant hazard severity information.
- Together, they form a complementary safety system.

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