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### NATIONAL AGENCY FOR FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION & CONTROL (NAFDAC)

# CHEMICAL EVALUATION & RESEARCH (CER) DIRECTORATE.

# GUIDELINES FOR LABELING OF CHEMICALS MANUFACTURED IN NIGERIA

#### **1. GENERAL**

- 1.1 These guidelines are for the general public and in particular, groups of Individuals intending to or already manufacturing chemical(s) in Nigeria.
- 1.2 This prescribes the minimum Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) requirements for the labelling of chemical(s) in manufacturing and packaging industries.
- 1.3 All bulk chemicals manufactured should have a label displaying their appropriate information.
- 1.4 No individual is permitted to manufacture, export, distribute, advertise, display for sale, offer for sale, sell, or use a chemical product, unless a label has been affixed with appropriate information.
- 1.5 All labels are to be durable so as to remain legible and firmly attached to the container taking into account possible damage by moisture or chemicals.
- 1.6 Labels for small containers or packages must include as much labelling information as reasonably practicable.
- 1.7 All labels must, at a minimum, be written in English and include the product identifier, manufacturer information, and a hazard pictogram or hazard statement consistent with the correct chemical classification.

#### 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS

- 2.1. **Precautionary Statement**: This is a recommended measure to minimize or prevent adverse effects resulting from exposure to hazardous substance.
- 2.2. Hazard Pictograms/Symbols: These symbols show that the chemical can cause harm.
- 2.3. Signal Word: This can be Danger, Warning or Caution.
- 2.4. Hazard Statements: These indicate the health risk and if it is flammable or

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- 2.5 ADR: The Agreement Concerning the International Carriage of Dangerous Goods by Road,
- 2.6 CLP: Classification. Labelling and Packaging.

#### 3. Label

All chemicals, both substances and preparation should have a clear marking to indicate their identity (Primary and Secondary Packaging). The chemical product label should comply with the Agency's Guidelines.

#### 3.1 Product Identifier:

- 3.1.1 Product Name (Generic or Brand name)
- 3.1.2 Ingredient(s)
- 3.1.3 Batch Number
- 3.1.4 Net Weight/Volume

# 3.2 Supplier Identity:

- 3.2.1 Manufacturer's Name
- 3.2.2 Factory Address
- 3.2.3 Email/Phone Number

# 3.3 Supplemental Information:

- 3.3.1 Pack-size
- 3.3.2 Product Manufacture date
- 3.3.3 Product expiring date
- 3.3.4 NAFDAC REG. NO
- 3.3.5 Direction for use

# 3.4 Precautionary Measures:

- 3.4.1 Storage Condition
- 3.4.2 GHS symbols (hazard pictograms)

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- 3.4.3 Signal Word e.g corrosive, explosive, flammable
- 3.4.4 Precautionary Statements/first aid
- 3.4.5 Hazard Statements



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