

## HAZARDOUS MATERIAL/WASTE

<b>Initial Actions</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<p>If a reportable hazardous material/waste spill or release occurs (or is threatened) on facility property, call 9-1-1 immediately to report the incident. The facility may also be required to notify local authorities. Include the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name of caller and facility</li> <li>• Exact location, date and time of spill, release or threatened release</li> <li>• Substance, quantity involved and isotope (if known)</li> <li>• Chemical name (if known)</li> <li>• Description of what happened</li> </ul>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternately, the facility may be notified by authorities of an external hazardous materials/waste spill or release that may affect the facility.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Activate facility's EOP
<input type="checkbox"/>	Assess residents for signs of distress; keep residents, staff and visitors away from the site of the spill.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Access the <i>Safety Data Sheet</i> (formerly named the <i>Material Safety Data Sheet</i> ) for the material spilled or released on the facility's property. Determine if the material/waste poses a safety or health risk to residents, staff or visitors. All SDS's should be available on site, but if the SDS cannot be located on site, consider checking the internet.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Utilize appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) if warranted.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Close windows, doors, and ventilation systems as needed to protect air quality by preventing the spread of dangerous fumes or smoke.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coordinate with public safety agencies (fire and law) and emergency management to determine if evacuation is necessary.
<input type="checkbox"/>	If the decision is made to evacuate, see RAPID RESPONSE – EVACUATION.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Follow public health advice regarding water or air contamination (including the following notices: Boil Water, Do Not Drink Water, and Do Not Use Water).