

SPILL CONTAINMENT

What is spill containment ? Containment stops the chemical or oil spill from being released further into the environment. Only perform **spill containment activities if it is safe to do so and with proper PPE**. Do not attempt **spill cleanup** if you have not been trained in OSHA HAZMAT cleanup procedures.

For initial spill response, have the chemical substance's **Safety Data Sheet** handy. The **Emergency Response Guide App (ERG)** is an approved Company App). Identify the source of spill and determine the associated hazards.

Consider the type and amount of spilled materials, the location and weather conditions, to determine the best method for spill containment... Use the tools, equipment and materials that are readily on hand, and a spill kit (absorbent material / pads) to **confine** the spill as quickly as possible to minimize any environmental impact. You can use sawdust, Kitty Litter or special absorbent products made to do this.

For flammable / combustible materials spilled, eliminate all ignition sources. **DO NOT hose down the area.** If safe to do so - close the valves that are leaking fluid.

For Major Spills (larger than 5 gallons of chemical) attempt to safely contain the spill, AND then immediately call your General Foreperson and/or CHEMTREC at **(800) 424-9300** – this phone number - shall be noted on the Job Briefing for Spray Crews.

OSHA requires those responding to clean up the spill, be trained in hazardous materials response (HazMat). Call a Hazardous Material Team to assist in a large **spill cleanup** and place the contaminated materials into a leak-proof plastic bag/container labeled "Hazardous Material".

Once the spill is contained, the licensed Hazmat Team shall dispose of waste materials in accordance with state and federal environmental laws and regulations.

As a reminder - the Universal Spill Kit shall be on all work vehicles with oil / gas / diesel or chemical. It shall be available and ready for use on each work vehicle to prevent or contain spills. Nelson Tree is in the process of ordering and in the coming weeks/months, Universal Kits will be issued in lieu of Kitty Litter.

Minimum Contents in a Universal Spill Control Kit

Multiple sorbent pads	(min. 10 per kit)
Multiple sorbent socks	(min. 2 per kit)
Disposable bag – industrial grade	(min. 1 per kit)
Pair of chemical resistant gloves	(one pair min.)
Option - Pair of safety goggles	(if included in the kit)
Option - Plastic container with lid	(if sold with the kit)

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