Dry Ice Safety Infographic





Dry Ice Safety

for Healthcare Professionals



What You Need



Safety goggles



Insulated gloves

What Is Dry Ice?

- Dry ice is carbon dioxide in solid form.
 Dry ice goes from a solid to a gas
- Dry ice looks like ice but is a cryogenic material. It can cause severe frostbite upon contact with skin for more than
 • Dry ice is about twice as heavy as a few seconds.
- (sublimates) as it warms, releasing carbon dioxide.
 - regular ice.



Working with Dry Ice



 Never handle dry ice with bare hands. Always wear gloves designed for very cold temperatures and safety goggles.



■ If dry ice spills on counters, floors, or other surfaces, don protective gloves before handling. If the dry ice is unusable, then dispose of it properly.



Always work in a well-ventilated room.



Do not eat dry ice.

Storage of Dry Ice



Store dry ice in a container that allows for the release of gas, such as a vented cooler or Styrofoam cooler.



 DO NOT store dry ice in a tightly sealed container. As dry ice changes from its frozen state to a gaseous state, it may cause an airtight container to expand and potentially explode.



Keep dry ice in a well-ventilated room.

Carbon dioxide can replace oxygen in closed spaces, creating an oxygen-deficient environment. This can result in suffocation.

Disposing of Dry Ice



Do not put dry ice down a sink drain or toilet or into the trash.



Dispose of dry ice in an open container in a well-ventilated room to sublimate.

Refer to a Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for more information, including first aid and accidental release measures. Consult with your Occupational Health and Safety Office for further guidance.

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