

HazCom Writer Compliance Tool for MSHA Rule 30 CFR Part 47 or OSHA Rule 29 CFR 1910.1200



Objective

Combine the MSHA and OSHA versions of the HazCom Helper into one easy-to-use software tool.

Background

MSHA Rule 30 CFR Part 47 and OSHA Rule 29 CFR 1910.1200 (also known as the HazCom rules) require all companies to develop a written program to track hazardous chemicals at their sites. More specifically, the rule requires that companies list all chemicals and determine which are hazardous; develop a written Hazard Communication Program; label all containers used to store hazardous chemicals; obtain or develop Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for all chemicals stored or produced; provide workers with training in working around hazardous chemicals; and make information about hazardous chemicals available to all workers.

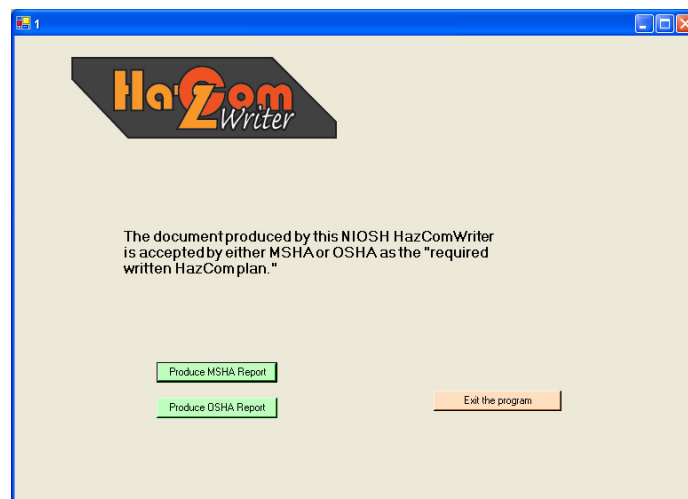
Approach

NIOSH personnel developed the HazComWriter to replace the HazCom Helper-MSHA version

(NIOSH Publication 2003-118) and the HazCom Helper-OSHA version (NIOSH Publication 2005-135). The HazComWriter is designed to help companies write their required HazCom plan and list all hazardous chemicals at a company's site.

HazCom Writer

This software leads the person responsible for writing the HazCom plan step-by-step through its preparation. Prompts, suggestions, and Help menus are provided to help the writer fill in the proper information. A list of all hazardous chemicals at a site can be entered in Appendix A and the program can be saved and edited when necessary. The program is available at www.cdc.gov/niosh/mining/topics/topicpage33.htm



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