



# Spill Response Guidance



## Equipment

- Oil Dri/Clay/Cat Litter
- Absorbent pads/booms
- Storm Drain covers/portable berms
- Personal Protective Equipment
  - Tyvek suits
  - Nitrile gloves
  - Goggles
  - Rubber boots
- Disposable brooms and plastic shovels



## Procedure

### • **Assess the situation:**

- If the spill poses an **immediate danger to life and health, evacuate area and call 911**
- If the spill involves **personal injury or chemical contamination**, follow the above steps as appropriate and at the same time:
  - Move the victim from the immediate area of fire, explosion, or spill (if this can be done without further injury to the victim or you).
  - Remove contaminated clothing and drench exposed skin with water.
  - Administer first aid as appropriate and seek medical attention
- If the spill does not pose an immediate risk to health or chemical contamination of the body:
  - Identify the chemical
  - Identify the cause of the leak and **contain**, if possible
  - Identify the path of the leak and **confine**, if possible

### • **Containment:**

Keep as much of the leaking material in the original container as possible.

- Can you quickly close a main valve without contaminating yourself?
- Can you easily roll the drum over so the puncture is facing upward, stopping the leak?

### • **Confinement:**

Prevent the spread of the spill; especially from reaching waterways, storm drains, or sewers.

- Construct a perimeter berm to contain the spread
- Add absorbent to solidify the spill for disposal once contained
- Collect the residue in compatible containers
- Contact IUEHS for proper disposal of spill residue at 812-855-2004