

# Laboratory Safety Rules

For Emergencies Contact Department of Public Safety (DPS): 315.443.2224

## General Precautions

- Follow all laboratory policies and procedures.
- Do not operate equipment or use hazardous materials without proper training.
- Do not eat or drink in the laboratory.
- Never work alone when using hazardous materials or equipment.
- Avoid distractions. Stay Alert.
- Do not obstruct safety equipment, work areas, floors, or exits.
- Review Safety Data Sheets (SDS).
- Segregate chemicals and store appropriately.
- Keep chemical containers closed.
- Ensure fume hood is operating and used properly.
- Clean your work area and wash your hands before leaving the laboratory.

## Protective Clothing and Equipment

- Wear long pants and closed-toed shoes.
- Use personal protective equipment appropriate for the hazard present (e.g. lab coat, gloves, eye protection, face shield, hearing protection, etc.).



## First Aid and Emergencies

- Know the location of fire extinguisher, wash equipment, and first aid kit.
- Report fires, accidents, spillage, burns, injuries, and other emergencies.