Introduction

Ammonium nitrate is classified as a High Consequence Dangerous Goods (HCDG) in Victoria. Under the HCDG Regulations 2016 (Vic), tertiary education institutions are exempt from licensing requirements if:

1. The HCDG is for the purpose of educational instruction, research, or testing; and
2. The total quantity held across the whole institution is no more than 3kg.

The University does not hold a HCDG licence and therefore the total holdings of ammonium nitrate for the whole University must remain below 3kg.

Implementation

The University’s Ammonium Nitrate Management Plan details how the conditions of the education institution are implemented at the University. Staff and students using ammonium nitrate for educational purposes, must follow this Ammonium Nitrate Management Plan to ensure compliance.

Restrictions

- Local areas cannot purchase ammonium nitrate directly from the supplier;
- Local area can only obtain a small number of ammonium nitrate from the Specialist Stores;
- Only staff can obtain ammonium nitrate via ServiceNow;
- Students do not have access to ServiceNow therefore they must ask their supervisor to obtain ammonium nitrate on their behalf, and
- Local area cannot store ammonium nitrate in their area unless approval has been given.

Further information

Further information is available on Chemical Management

A Knowledge Based Article is available for Frequently Asked Questions: KB002878

Contact the Chemical and Radiation Specialist for further inquiries.