

# 9. HOUSEKEEPING

### STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE

#### **PURPOSE & SCOPE:**

The purpose of this SOP is to outline housekeeping services. A clean workstation free of debris and clutter is critical to maintaining a safe work environment. Housekeeping is a continual effort. The proper management of routine tasks should be maintained at all times. Poor housekeeping affects all aspects of safety and can result in both minor and major incidents.

#### HOUSEKEEPING APPLIES TO:

- Overhead Lighting
- Washing Walls
- Window Cleaning
- Offices Cleaning
- Lobby and Visitors Areas
- Toilets
- Carpet Care
- Floor Stripping
- Top scrubbing a floor
- Chemical / Physical Lab
- Work Shop
- Clean Room
- Material storage including stacked materials.
- Gas cylinders stored area.
- Flammable Liquids/Gas containers area.
- Hazardous material waste containers.
- Ventilation cleaning.
- Spilled liquids must be cleaned up immediately.
- Passageways such as walkways, ramps, and stairs must be kept clean.
- All waste containers.
- Eating areas (canteen) must be kept clean.



## GENERAL CLEANING TECHNIQUES:

A clean place to work is necessary for safety. Good housekeeping is a part of job.In order to have a pleasant and safe work place, everyone must do his/her part to keepthe plant orderly and clean. Good housekeeping will protect our employees against slipping, other hazards.

- 1) Immediately clean up any paint, grease, oil, water, etc. that has spilled on the floor. Someone could slip causing serious injury.
- 2) Pick up any banding, scrap metal or other metal debris and put in scrap metal bins.
- 3) Pick up any scrap lumber, saw dust etc. and put into scrap lumber bins.
- 4) Put any scrap papers, boxes, etc., into the proper garbage containers or recycling bins.
- 5) Put cans into bins marked for cans.
- 6) Clean machine and surrounding area after use
- 7) Return all hand tools to their proper places after use or at end of your shift.
- 8) Keep all walkways, roadways, and areas in front of fire extinguishers, electrical panelboxes free of obstruction
- 9) Keep lunchrooms as clean and neat as possible. Put all garbage into garbage cans.
- 10) Immediately sweep up any Blast Machine that you notice on the floor.
- 11) Never leave hooks or hangers on the floor always put them in their proper place
- 12) Before end of shift, empty garbage cans into the garbage bins
- 13) Keep the office and the surrounding area clean.
- 14) clean the computers at least once a week by wiping them with computer cleaning fluid.
- 15) Stack pallets, boxes, baskets, etc. neatly to avoid them falling over.
- 16) Organize your work station as neatly and efficient as possible. Avoid over clutter.
- 17) Keep stairway clear of obstruction.
- 18) Keep storage areas neat and organized
- 19) Keep your locker area neat and clean.
- 20) Keep desks and filing cabinets clean and well organized.
- 21) Clean office, computer and printer areas at the end of every shift.
- 22) Clean as you go. (Continually clean your work area as you work.)
- 23) Clean up debris and organize tables and work stations that you have been using, sothat the next person can start with a clean work area.