

# Clampco Clips August 2018

## THE SAFETY CORNER

### What is GHS?

The purpose of OSHA's Hazardous Communication Standard, 29 CFR 1910.1200, and Clampco's Hazard Communication Program, is to ensure that the hazards of all chemicals imported into and in use within this facility are evaluated and catalogued upon receipt, and that information concerning their hazards is transmitted to all employees, including how to handle these chemicals, what types of Personal Protective Equipment available and to be used, and what to do in case of incidents involving exposure to chemicals.

Clampco has developed the following program, which consists of:

- 1) This written program document
- 2) A labelling (warning) system for containers that adhere to the GHS labeling system, and
- 3) An inventoried list of chemicals, otherwise known as Safety Data Sheets (SDS)
- 4) Training for employees regarding this program

**Labels** - With the GHS, certain information will appear on the label. For example, the chemical identity may be required. Standardized hazard statements, signal words and symbols will appear on the label according to the classification of that chemical or mixture. Precautionary statements may also be required, if adopted by your regulatory authority. <https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/chemicals/ghs.html>

There are two kiosks in the shop where the SDS's can be found. If you need to use the kiosk computer to look up the SDS for a certain chemical, you will need to click on the "Links" tab within the clampdocs.com information portal. In big bold letters, it will say "[3EONLINE.COM-3E COMPANY PORTAL FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INFORMATION](https://www.ccohs.ca/oshanswers/chemicals/ghs.html)". You will need to click on that link to get to the 3E portal where our chemicals are listed. From there, the username and password should already be saved. Just click login. You can then type in or search any chemical that we have here. If you need assistance with this please see your Foreman.



## New Full Time Hires 2018

Mike McNichol – Tool Room 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Mike Rodriguez – Welding 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift  
Gerald Marshall – Deburring 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift  
Suzanne Perry – Welding 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Ivan Milakovic – Welding 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Mindy Smith – Assembly 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Chantel Conrad – Nitro 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Salvena Samardzic – Bending 1<sup>st</sup> Shift



Mike Johnson – Pressroom 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Josh McDonald – Pressroom 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Elizabeth Urmos – Cell Operator 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift  
Michael Heffelfinger – Pressroom 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift  
Vicky Smith – Assembly 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Tyler Kemp – Rolling 1<sup>st</sup> Shift  
Ramona Blair – Bending 2<sup>nd</sup> Shift

## A Note from the desk of:

### Jason Venner, Human Resources Manager

Later this year, Clampco is implementing ISO14001:2015 to our stable of certifications. This is an Environmental Management System, much like the current ISO Quality System that we audit each summer. Clampco has decided to reach for this certification to not only make Clampco a safer place to work, but to also attract new business and customers that would require us to be certified to this specific standard. This also benefits us as we carry about our day as well.

The ISO14001:2015 will require Clampco to be compliant with regards to our air emissions, waste water discharge, hazardous waste and outside metal containers/storage vessels that must be covered, which require a "No Exposure Permits." The good news is that Clampco is considered a "Very Small Quantity Generator" (VSQG) of hazardous wastes, and we have a permit that covers our generation of such.

An example of what we will be accomplishing over the next few months will be to work as a team to make sure all of our bottles, buckets, and cleaning solution etc. are labeled properly, and that our recycling programs continue to operate as they have been doing so up until this point, i.e. Cardboard, Paper, Batteries, Aerosol cans, and Electronic waste.

Official training will begin with the September's Safety Meeting for all employees. Then the following week, we will begin our internal audits to see where we will need to improve before our actual certification audit to ISO 14001:2015 occurs, which will be conducted by Smithers.

This month's standard training is Hazard Communication, specifically the Global Harmonized System (GHS). This is an *excellent* time to begin identifying and corralling unidentified liquids containers, wearing all of your required Personal Protective Equipment, and thinking twice before you receive or handle any new chemicals. Chances are there are specific work instructions that you or your foremen should make you aware of. You can also learn about our 3E program, and how you can access any Safety Data Sheet that we have in house.

We're looking forward to improving our Company and its impact upon the environment. Our policy going forward will be such: **Clampco is committed to the protection of the environment, including prevention of pollution, environmental compliance and continual improvement to enhance environmental performance.** This will be posted throughout the plant as Fred and the Team continue to roll this out. If you have any questions please let us know.

#### MMOH Quit Line

Deciding to go smoke free is no easy feat. That's another reason why Clampco went with Medical Mutual of Ohio. Their cessation support is top-notch, and local. The Quit Line is confidential and free, plus you'll be provided a uniquely tailored plan, just for you on how to quit. The Quit Line is 1-866-845-7702. Expect about 30 minute first call in order to get yourself set up.