



## GHS DATES 2015

### June 1, 2015

Compliance with all revisions of the final rule. (Some phase-in provisions regarding enforcement can be found at [https://www.osha.gov/dep/enforcement/hazcom\\_enforcement-memo.html](https://www.osha.gov/dep/enforcement/hazcom_enforcement-memo.html).)

### December 1, 2015

The distributor shall not ship containers labeled by the chemical manufacturer or importer unless it is a GHS label.

### June 1, 2016

Update alternative workplace labeling and hazard communication program as necessary, and provide additional employee training for newly identified physical or health hazards.

In compliance with the Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals adopted by OSHA, all goods manufactured after June 1, 2015, must have GHS labels and GHS compliant Safety Data Sheets. Composites One is working to add the new Safety Data Sheets to [b2bcomposites.com](http://b2bcomposites.com) as we receive them from our suppliers.

We want to make this transition as easy for you as we can. In order to do this, we have broken it down into simple categories that will help you understand the new rules and how they apply to you and your business. Those categories are Safety Data Sheets, Labels/Pictograms, and Required Dates for Compliance.

At Composites One we have also updated one of our most useful tools, the **Composites One Regulatory Compliance Manual**, so you can see examples of checklists, forms, and dates in one place. If you are a user of [www.b2bcomposites.com](http://www.b2bcomposites.com) the regulatory manual is available to you upon log in – just click on Regulatory Manual on the left hand menu and then select Tab 10 for the update. If you are not a user of this 24/7 business tool, please talk to your sales representative today to learn about access and all it has to offer you.

Composites One continues to work toward bringing value to our customers and this is just one more way!

### Safety Data Sheets

The Hazard Communication Standard (HCS) requires chemical manufacturers, distributors, or importers to provide Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) (formerly known as Material Safety Data Sheets or MSDSs) to communicate the hazards of chemical products. As of June 1, 2015, the HCS will require

new SDSs to be in a uniform format, and include the section numbers, the headings, and associated information. For more information please visit [https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm\\_QuickCard\\_SafetyData.html](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm_QuickCard_SafetyData.html).

### Hazard Communication Standard Labels and Pictograms

OSHA has updated the requirements for labeling of hazard communication under its Hazard Communication Standard (HCS). As of June 1, 2015, all labels will be required to have pictograms, a signal word, hazard and precautionary statements, the product identifier, and supplier identification. The HCS also requires pictograms on labels to alert users of the chemical hazards to which they may be exposed. For more information please visit OSHA at [https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm\\_QuickCard\\_Labels.html](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm_QuickCard_Labels.html) or [https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm\\_QuickCard\\_Pictogram.html](https://www.osha.gov/Publications/HazComm_QuickCard_Pictogram.html).

And always, remember to contact the Composites One Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Team if you have any questions regarding the new GHS rules or any safety related issue – it is our goal to provide value to our customers each and everyday.

You can reach our HSE Team at 800-621-8003 or [compliance.expert@compositesone.com](mailto:compliance.expert@compositesone.com).