

Faculty of Medicine

Safety Protocols



Effective immediately, MedStore will not release hazardous chemicals unless they are transported in their original shipping container or in a secondary container.

Chemicals are considered hazardous if they are characterized with any of the following properties:

- compressed gas
- flammable and combustible
 - oxidizing agent
- poisonous and infectious material
- corrosive and reactive material

A chemical spill can occur when it is least expected causing human exposure, serious injury, property damage and violations to occupational and environmental regulations.

Use the following precautions when transporting chemicals from MedStore to Labs:

- Use a bottle carrier, or secondary container when transporting chemicals over 250 ml through hallways.
- Secondary containers are made of rubber, metal or plastic, with carrying handle(s), and are large enough to hold the entire contents of the chemical containers in the event of breakage. They are available from MedStore for \$49.99.
- Create a transportation route which is shortest in distance and occupies minimum travelers.
- Transport hazardous chemicals outside the busy time frames.
- Do not transport hazardous chemicals in individual containers exceeding four litres between buildings.
- The individual transporting the chemical must be aware of the hazards; the required personal protective equipment and the emergency spill response procedure.
- Use freight elevators rather than passenger elevators.

Please contact MedStore should you require any assistance.