

Ministerial Order to Specify the Method of Providing Information on the Properties and Handling of Designated Chemical Substances

(Order of the Ministry of International Trade and Industry No. 401 of December 22, 2000)

(Terminology)

Article 1 The terms used in this Ministerial Order have the same meaning as the terms used in the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (referred to as the "Act" below) and Order for Enforcement of the Act on the Assessment of Releases of Specified Chemical Substances in the Environment and the Promotion of Management Improvement (Cabinet Order No. 138 of 2000; referred to as the "Order" below).

(Provision of Information on the Properties and Handling of Designated Chemical Substances)

Article 2 The method specified by Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry as specified in Article 14, paragraphs (1) and (2) of the Act, is the method of transmission by using a facsimile machine, transmission of e-mail, providing information using the internet, or any other method for allowing the counterparty to which a designated chemical substance, etc. is transferred, or provided, to easily inspect.

(Information That Must Be Provided)

Article 3 A business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc. must include the following matters on the information in the properties and handling of a designated chemical substance, etc. (referred to as "information on the properties and handling" below) to be provided based on the provisions of Article 14, paragraph (1) or (2) of the Act:

(i) in the following cases stated in (a) and (b), the information stated respectively in (a) and (b):

(a) if the designated chemical substance, etc. is a class I designated chemical substance or a class II designated chemical substance: the matters stated in 1. through 2. below:

1. the name of the relevant class I designated chemical substance or class II designated chemical substance;
2. the distinction of the relevant class I designated chemical substance, or the class II designated chemical substance; as class I designated

- chemical substance (excluding specific class I designated chemical substances), specific class I designated chemical substance, or class II designated chemical substance; or
- (b) if the relevant designated chemical substance, etc. is the product containing class I designated chemical substance or class II designated chemical substance: the matters stated in 1. through 4. below:
1. the name of the product;
 2. the name of the class I designated chemical substance or the class II designated chemical substance that is contained in the relevant product (referred to below as the "contained designated chemical substance") (limited to those in which the proportion of the mass of the class I designated chemical substance or class II designated chemical substance related to the contained designated chemical substance (referred to as the "mass of class II designated chemical substance" below) is 1 percent or more of the mass of the relevant product, or the proportion of the mass of the specific class I designated chemical substance related to the contained designated chemical substance is 0.1 percent or more of the mass of the relevant product;
 3. the distinction of the contained designated chemical substance; as class I designated chemical substance (excluding specific class I designated chemical substances), specific class I designated chemical substance, or class II designated chemical substance; and
 4. the percentage of the mass of class I designated chemical substance, the mass of specific class I designated chemical substance, or the mass of class II designated chemical substance, respectively, of the contained designated chemical substance in comparison to the mass of the relevant product;
- (ii) the name, address, and contact information of the relevant business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (iii) first-aid measures to be given to a person who has been injured by the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (iv) necessary measures to be taken in the case a fire occurs at a place of business that handles the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (v) necessary measures to be taken for a spilling of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (vi) precautions for handling and storage of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (vii) preventive measures against a person being exposed to the relevant designated chemical substance, etc. at a place of business that handles it;
- (viii) physical and chemical properties of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;

- (ix) stability and reactivity of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (x) harmful effects of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (xi) environmental impact of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (xii) a summary of the information provided in the preceding four items;
- (xiii) precautions to be taken when disposing of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (xiv) precautions to be taken when transporting the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (xv) laws and regulations applicable to the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.; and
- (xvi) beyond what is stated in the preceding items, any information which the relevant business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc. finds as necessary.

(Method for Entering the matters Specified in Items of Article 3)

- Article 4 (1) A business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc., is to endeavor to entering or recording the information on the properties and handling referred to in the preceding Article that conforms with the Japanese Industrial Standards (JIS) Z7253 (meaning the Japanese Industrial Standards specified in Article 20, paragraph (1) of the Industrial Standardization Act (Act No. 185, 1949); the same applies below)
- (2) The matters stated in each item of Article 3 are to be entered or recorded in the Japanese language.
 - (3) The percentage of the mass of class I designated chemical substance, the mass of specific class I designated chemical substance, or the mass of class II designated chemical substance, respectively, in the contained designated chemical substance, as compared to the mass of the product specified in Article 3, item (i), (a), 4. is to be entered as a numerical figure, calculated by regarding the first two digits of that percentage as significant figures.

(Labeling)

- Article 5 If a business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc. transfers or provides a designated chemical substance, etc., by putting it into a container or packaging it, when providing the information on the properties and handling, the company is to endeavor to affix a label that conforms with the Japanese Industrial Standards Z7253 on the container or the packaging (when putting it into a container, then packaging it, and transferring or supplying it; its container):
- (i) in the following cases stated in (a) or (b), the relevant matters stated in (a) or (b), respectively;
 - (a.) if the relevant designated chemical substance, etc. is a class I designated

- chemical substance or a class II designated chemical substance: the name of the relevant class I designated chemical substance or class II designated chemical substance;
- (b.) if the relevant designated chemical substance, etc. is a product containing a class I designated chemical substance or a class II designated chemical substance: the name of the relevant product;
- (ii) the physical and chemical properties, stability, reactivity, harmful effects, and the environmental impacts of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (iii) the precautions for storage or handling of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (iv) the pictograms corresponding to physical and chemical properties, stability, reactivity, harmful effects, and the environmental impacts of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc.;
- (v) the name (for a corporation, its name), address and telephone number of the person who is affixing the label; and
- (vi) warning statement.

(Cases in Which Information on the Properties and Handling Needs to Be Provided)

- Article 6 (1) Information on the properties and handling must be provided each time a designated chemical substance, etc. is transferred or provided.
- (2) The provisions of the preceding paragraph do not apply when the same type of designated chemical substance, etc. is transferred to the same business operator continuously or repeatedly, or when it is provided, the information on the properties and handling of the relevant designated chemical substance, etc. has already been provided; provided, however, that this does not apply when the counterparty to which the designated chemical substance, etc. is transferred or provided requests the information on the properties and handling of the designated chemical substance, etc.

Supplementary Provisions

- (1) This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date in which the provisions of Article 1, item (ii) of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act (January 1, 2001) come into effect.
- (2) The measures in each of the paragraphs of Article 15 of the Act do not apply to a business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc. that transfers, or provides a designated chemical substance, etc. before the date of enforcement prescribed in Article 1, item (iii) of the Supplementary Provisions of the Act.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 402 of December 22, 2000]

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on January 6, 2001.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 27 of April 30, 2009]

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on October 1, 2009.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 36 of April 20, 2012]

(Effective Date)

Article 1 This Ministerial Order comes into effect on June 1, 2012; provided, however, that the provisions of Article 4, paragraph (1), and Article 5 of the Ministerial Order to specify the method of providing information on the properties and handling of designated chemical substances, etc. after revised by this Ministerial Order (referred to as the "new Ministerial Order" below) apply to products that contain Class I designated chemical substances as provided for in Article 2, Paragraph 5 of the Act and meet the requirements specified by Cabinet Order, and products that contain Class II designated chemical substances as provided for in Paragraph 6 of that Article and meet the requirements specified by Cabinet Order, is to be applied from April 1, 2015.

(Transitional Measures)

Article 2 For the provisions of the new Ministerial Order, prior laws continue to govern the information regarding the properties and handling of designated chemical substances, etc. which were transferred or provided by a business operator handling a designated chemical substance, etc., based on the provisions of Article 14, paragraph (1) or (2) of the Act before the enforcement of this Ministerial Order.

Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry No. 17 of July 1, 2019]

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date in which the Act Partially Amending the Unfair Competition Prevention Act comes into effect (July 1, 2019).

**Supplementary Provisions [Order of the Ministry of Economy, Trade and
Industry No. 35 of March 31, 2022]**

This Ministerial Order comes into effect on the date in which the Act Partially Amending the Unfair Competition Prevention Act comes into effect July 1, 2019).