

## SAFETY MEETING TOPIC

This form shall be completed and kept on file

Job Name \_\_\_\_\_ Location \_\_\_\_\_ Job No. \_\_\_\_\_  
Meeting Leader \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Held \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_  
Subject of Meeting THE ANSI PRECAUTIONARY LABELING SYSTEM

The ANSI Precautionary Labeling System does not use colors or numbers to identify hazards or their severity. Instead, brief descriptions are used to define the type of hazard and SIGNAL WORDS are used to describe the severity of the hazard. Very few symbols appear on the labels. Signal words will be used in conjunction with specific colors and symbols on safety warning signs and accident prevention tags. This should not be confused with the precautionary label system.

The description used on the ANSI label may contain:

- A STATEMENT OF HAZARD
- PRECAUTIONARY MEASURES
- INSTRUCTIONS UPON EXPOSURE
- INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPILLS AND LEAKS
- INSTRUCTIONS FOR HANDLING AND STORAGE

Signal Words appear in large print on the label. The Signal Words are CAUTION, WARNING and DANGER. These words have special meaning on the ANSI Label. Just as numbers are used to identify the severity of the hazard in other labeling systems, the signal words identify the severity of the hazard on the ANSI Label.

**CAUTION** – Signals that some hazard exists. It is used to identify a minimal hazard.

**WARNING** – Signals a more serious hazard exists. It is used to identify a moderate hazard.

**DANGER** – Signals a most severe hazard exists. It is used to identify the most extreme hazards.