

# Spring Term 2022 Safety Memorandum

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*The Departmental Safety Advisory Group met on April 28, 2022. Important items discussed at that meeting are shown below. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Michael W. Burand (DSAG chair) or any other member of the Group for assistance.*

## Looking for Safe Secondary Containment for Liquids?

Amazon has generously donated approximately \$10,000 worth of containment pallets (also called “spill decks”) to OSU. They are available in three different models, a single 55-gallon drum with no drain, a two drum 55-gallon, and a four 55-gallon drum with a drain (see Figures 1-3 below). For more information and to request a pallet(s) for your laboratory space, please contact Machel Bamberger at [machelle.bamberger@oregonstate.edu](mailto:machelle.bamberger@oregonstate.edu).

*Figure 1: A single drum spill deck*



*Figure 2: A 2-drum spill deck*



*Figure 3: A four-drum spill deck*



## Reminder: Appropriate PPE in Research Laboratories

The Departmental Safety Advisory Group advises researchers in OSU chemistry laboratories to wear goggles—*not safety glasses*—in all laboratories where chemicals are being actively used. Goggles offer superior splash protection, and their use is in line with best practices in chemical research laboratories. Furthermore, researchers should also use a face shield for added protection when using pressurized gasses, particularly hazardous chemicals, and when heating glassware, etc. For additional information please see <https://ehs.oregonstate.edu/PPE>.

## Reminder: Fire Alarm Pull Stations and AEDs

OSU Fire and Life Safety Officer Jim Patton reminds everyone working in Department of Chemistry buildings that they should take a moment to ensure they know the location of the nearest fire alarm pull station and automated external defibrillator (AED). Knowing the location of these items in advance can save crucial moments when an emergency arises. AEDs are located in Weniger Hall (for Gilbert Hall) and Withycombe Hall (for LPSC):

<https://ehs.oregonstate.edu/aed-map>

