

**L.N. 199 of 2015****OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY AUTHORITY ACT  
(CAP. 424)****Work Place (Provisions of Health and, or Safety Signs (Amendment)  
Regulations, 2015**

IN exercise of the powers conferred by article 12 of the Occupational Health and Safety Authority Act, the Minister for Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberties, after consultation with the Occupational Health and Safety Authority, has made the following regulations:-

Citation and  
scope.

S.L. 424.16

**1.** (1) The title of these regulations is the Work Place of Health and, or Safety Signs (Amendment) Regulations, 2015, and they shall be read and construed as one with the Work Place of Health and, or Safety Signs Regulations, herein referred to as "the principal regulations".

(2) The scope of these regulations is the implementation of Directive 2014/27/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council amending Council Directive 92/58/EEC on the minimum requirements for the provisions of safety and/or health signs at work (ninth individual Directive within the meaning of Article 16(1) of Directive 89/301/EEC94/33/EC).

Amends  
Schedule I to  
the principal  
regulations.

**2.** Paragraph 12 of Schedule I to the principal regulations shall be substituted by the following:

"12.0 Areas, rooms or enclosures used for storage of significant quantities of dangerous substances or mixtures must be indicated by a suitable warning sign taken from paragraph 3.2 of Schedule II to these regulations, or marked as provided in section I of Schedule III to these regulations unless the labelling of the individual packages or containers is adequate for the purpose.

If there is no equivalent warning sign in paragraph 3.2 of Schedule II to these regulations to warn about hazardous chemical substances or mixtures, the relevant hazard pictogram, as laid down in Annex V to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council."

Amends  
Schedule II to  
the principal  
regulations.

**3.** Schedule II to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

(a) the warning sign found in paragraph 3.2 thereof "Harmful or irritant material" shall be deleted; and

(b) Linked to the warning sign "General danger" there

shall be added the following footnote:

"\*This warning sign shall not be used to warn about hazardous chemical substances or mixtures, except for cases when the warning sign is used in accordance with the second point of paragraph 5 of Schedule III to indicate the stores of hazardous substances or mixtures."

4. Schedule III to the principal regulations shall be amended as follows:

Amends  
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the principal  
regulations.

(a) paragraph 1 thereof shall be substituted by the following:

"1 Containers used at work for chemical substances or mixtures classified as hazardous according to the criteria for any physical or health hazard class in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008, and containers used for the storage of such hazardous substances or mixtures, together with the visible pipes containing or transporting such hazardous substances and mixtures, must be labelled with the relevant hazard pictograms in accordance with that Regulation.

The first paragraph does not apply to containers used at work for brief periods nor to containers whose contents change frequently, provided that alternative adequate measures are taken, in particular for information and/or training, which guarantee the same level of protection;

The labels referred to in the first paragraph may be:

- replaced by warning signs set out in Schedule II, using the same pictograms or symbols. If there is no equivalent warning sign in paragraph 3.2 of Schedule II, the relevant hazard pictogram set out in Annex V of Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 must be used;

- supplemented by additional formula, such as the name and/or formula of the hazardous substance or mixture and the details of the hazard; and

- for the transporting of containers at the place of work, supplemented or replaced by signs that are applicable throughout the Union for the transport of hazardous or mixtures."; and

(b) in the first and second point of paragraph 5 for the

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words "dangerous substances" there shall be substituted by the words "hazardous mixtures".

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