

CHEMICAL/HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE SPILL

Some spills are large, greater than one liter, or involve hazardous or unknown substances. You should not clean these spills by yourself.

Examples of hazardous substances include:

- Bromine
- Hydrazine
- Cyanides
- Class 1 A flammable solvents
- Alkali metals
- White phosphorus

If you have a chemical or hazardous substance spill you should do the following:

- Call 911 from any Yale Phone
- Alert people in surrounding areas to evacuate
- Attend to injured or contaminated people and remove them from exposure. In case of personal contamination, remove affected clothing and flush contaminated skin with water for at least 15 minutes. Seek medical attention immediately.
- If it will not place your health or safety at risk, turn off ignition and heat sources, maintain fume hood ventilation and open windows to increase ventilation.
- Close the doors to affected areas as you leave.
- Have a person with knowledge of incident and laboratory assist emergency personnel upon arrival.