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## Re: OSHA-GHS Safety Data Sheets & Product Labeling

Dear Customers,

We are in full compliance with the new hazard classification and labeling system according to OSHA's HCS/HazCom 2012. OSHA's new HazCom system is consistent with the United Nations Globally Harmonized System (GHS) of hazard communication.

Products shipped from Blaser Swisslube are now labeled according to the new OSHA-GHS standard. Our distributors have a sell through period ending December 1<sup>st</sup> for distributing products in stock labeled according to the former HCS/HazCom 1994 standards. You may therefore receive products with either labeling system up until the December 1, 2015 deadline.

HCS 2012 compliant Safety Data Sheets (SDS) are available which replace the current MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet, HCS 1994). Safety Data Sheets are available for download on our website or from your local Blaser distributor. For discontinued formulas no longer produced, the current MSDS remains valid.

A major difference of communicating hazards on package labeling & Safety Data Sheets is the familiar HMIS (Hazardous Materials Identification System) has been replaced with pictogram, signal words, hazard statements and precautionary statements for products that require them. A brief from OSHA regarding HCS 2012 is available at <a href="https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3636.pdf">https://www.osha.gov/Publications/OSHA3636.pdf</a>.

The method of classifying and determining the hazards of a chemical mixture (metalworking fluids are mixtures of chemicals) have also changed. Most notable is the classification of all low viscosity mineral oils (<20 cSt @104°F). Such oils are now considered an aspiration hazard, triggering the Health Hazard pictogram to appear on labels and SDS'.

If you need additional information, please contact Shelly Nassivera our Product Stewardship Official at 845-294-3200 ext.122 or s.nassivera@blaser.com.

Sincerely,

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