



## WHMIS 2015 Symbols

Look carefully at the WHMIS (Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System) safety symbols shown here. These WHMIS symbols are used throughout Canada to identify dangerous materials. Make certain you understand what these symbols mean. When you see these symbols on containers, use safety precautions. It is also important to know that WHMIS symbols were updated in 2015. So, older textbooks or chemical containers may have the previous symbols. Those symbols are being replaced with the ones below.

Symbol	Descriptor	Meaning
	Compressed gas	For gases under pressure
	Flammable	For fire hazards
	Oxidizer	For oxidizing hazards
	Acute toxicity	Can cause death or toxicity with short exposure to small amounts
	Health hazard	May cause or be suspected of causing serious health effects
	Exclamation mark	Can cause irritation to skin and eyes
	Corrosive	For corrosive damage to metals, as well as skin and eyes
	Explosive	For explosion or reactivity hazards
	Biohazardous infectious materials	For organisms or toxins that can cause diseases in people or animals
	* Environmental hazard	May cause damage to the environment



non-latex gloves

\*Environmental hazards are not regulated under WHMIS, but are regulated by the Globally Harmonized System. This symbol may appear on products from other countries.