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Preaching to the Choir



Whether you are a new customer with the ChemStation System or you've been using our products for many years, all of you are receiving unique products that are specially designed for your needs.

As a ChemStation customer you…

- ✔ have chosen a system that offers custom-formulated, environmentally friendly industrial cleaning and process chemicals that are delivered to refillable containers
- ✔ aren't settling for average or traditional offerings
- ✔ enjoy having a local manufacturing source
- ✔ don't waste time receiving, handling, or disposing of containers
- ✔ pay no freight costs

You are also helping ChemStation in its commitment to keep the environment free from unsightly drums.

So, whether you're using our products to remove grease, fats, and oils from a fillet machine, mopping floors in a warehouse, washing eggs, phosphatizing parts, cleaning tankers, or eliminating odors at a landfill site, the ChemStation system is there to help you "keep it clean." ■



New Poster Available

OSHA has published a new version of their "It's the Law" poster (also known as the OSHA Notice of Employee Rights) and it is required to be displayed in every workplace in the United States. The current edition of the OSHA poster is valid and employers are not required to replace their existing poster with the new version.

The new poster provides employees with the information they need to protect themselves if there are unsafe or unhealthful conditions in the workplace. The OSHA poster is free and available in both English and Spanish. ■

A Merry Month of May

What could be merrier? It's National Photo and National Hamburger Month. Also included in May monthly observances are Get Caught Reading Month and Navajo Code Talkers Month (see article). On a weekly note, the first full week in May is National Pet Week. May 13-19 is set aside as Reading is Fun Week; and May 21-28 is celebrated as National Backyard Games Week. The Empire State Building was dedicated on May 1, 1931. May 5 is Totally Chipotle Day. On May 6, 1833, John Deere produced the first steel plow. Many will come together to weep on May 9 as Lost Sock Memorial Day is observed. This year Mother's Day falls on Sunday the 13th. On May 14, 1973, the first U.S. space station, "Skylab" was launched. The Ringling Brothers circus premiered on May 19, 1884. Memorial Day is May 30, but is observed on Monday, May 28.



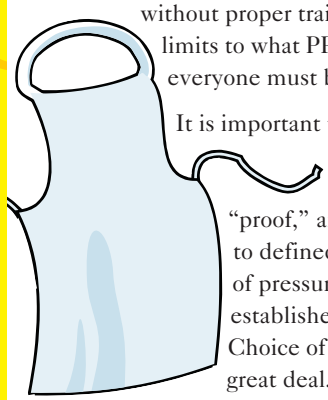
PPE Has Its Limits





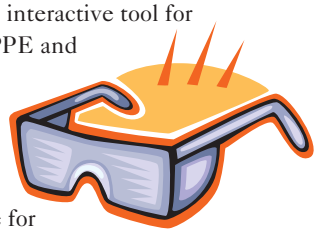
Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) includes everything from chemical goggles, face splash shields, and other eye protection to respirators of all sorts. Clothing resistant to chemicals, puncture, and abrasion also finds a place in the classification.

Each employee has to be trained in using PPE. It doesn't do any good if you just give it to somebody without proper training. There are limits to what PPE can do and everyone must be aware of them.



It is important to stress that PPE products are "resistant" not "proof," and the protection is to defined threats and levels of pressure or force as per established test methods. Choice of PPE matters a great deal.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) offers significant help. For one, the OSHA Web site (www.osha.gov) gives a direct link to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) information on the subject. The CDC National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) has an interactive tool for finding a good fit between PPE and workplace setting.



Care should be taken in choosing the appropriate PPE for the application, and there is never any substitute for exercising caution in the workplace. ■

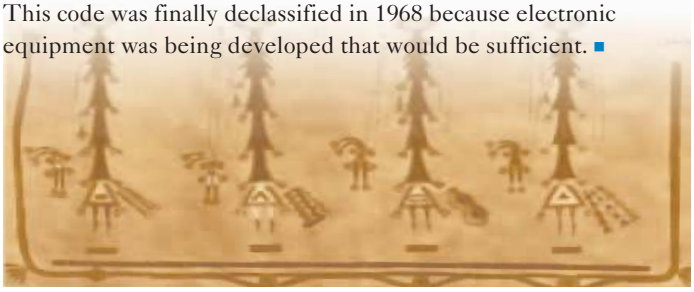
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Navajo Code Talkers

Guadalcanal, Tarawa, Peleliu, Iwo Jima…the Navajo Code Talkers took part in every assault the U.S. Marines conducted in the Pacific from 1942 to 1945. They served in all six Marine divisions, Marine Raider battalions, and Marine parachute units, transmitting messages by telephone and radio in their native language…a code that the Japanese never broke.

The Navajo language answered the military requirement for an undecipherable code because Navajo is an unwritten language of extreme complexity. It has no alphabet or symbols, and is spoken only on the Navajo lands of the American Southwest. Using a code based on the complex Navajo language, the Code Talkers were able to transmit and decode in 20 seconds a message that would have taken a machine 30 minutes to decipher.

It was many years after the end of World War II before the Navajo Code Talkers were recognized for their contribution to the war effort. This happened because of the value that the code still had. This code was finally declassified in 1968 because electronic equipment was being developed that would be sufficient. ■



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Soapbox

A lie can travel halfway around the world while the truth is putting on its shoes. – *Mark Twain*

Confidence is the feeling you have before you understand the situation.

When the only tool you own is a hammer, every problem begins to resemble a nail.

We can't all be heroes because somebody has to sit on the curb and clap as they go by. – *Will Rogers*

Never test the depth of the water with both feet.

Stupidity: doing the same things over and over and expecting different results.

Everybody starts out with a full bag of luck and an empty bag of experience. The trick is to fill the bag of experience before the luck runs out.

A TV can insult your intelligence, but nothing rubs it in like a computer.

When people are free to do as they please, they usually imitate each other. – *Eric Hoffer*

It's a small world, unless you have to paint it.

A slice of bread will always land peanut-butter-side down. If, by chance you put peanut butter on both sides of the slice, it will float forever.

When you are in it up to your ears, keep your mouth shut.

A printer consists of three main parts: the case, the jammed paper tray, and the blinking red light.

Donkey: a horse designed by a study team.

Law of Close Encounters: The probability of meeting someone you know increases when you are with someone you don't want to be seen with.

Dawn is nature's way of telling you to go to bed.