

# YSPPL Legal Flash

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### ***New ACOP SS ISO 14120:2025***

Ref : <https://www.tal.sg/wshc/media/announcements/2025/public-consultation-for-the-wsh-guidelines-on-statutory-medical-examinations>

On 28<sup>th</sup> November, the Government Gazette No. 2740 was published announcing the inclusion of SS ISO 14120:2025 Safety of machinery – Guards – General requirements for the design and construction of fixed and movable guards into the Approved Code of Practices ([5740.pdf](#)). The Workplace Safety and Health (Approved Codes of Practice) Notification 2024 is revoked.

This Standard is a type-B2 standards on safeguards (e.g. two-hand controls, interlocking devices, pressure sensitive devices, guards). Guards which is a form of engineering control provide a risk reduction for both protection against unintended access and against ejected parts and substances. The guarding can also give protection against others hazards, e.g. noise, fire, biological hazards, and radiation.

### ***Mandatory Chemical Reporting Framework for Hazardous Substances Licence and Permit Holders***

Ref : [2025-07-31-implementation-of-mandatory-chemical-reporting-framework-for-hazardous-substances-licence-and-permit-holder.pdf](#)

With effect from **1 JAN 2026**, Hazardous Substances Licence and Permit holders must carry out chemical reporting during their licence and/or permit renewals that are due on or after 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2026. This reporting obligation will be imposed as a licensing condition and applies to organizations that import and/or manufacture chemicals, and meet ALL the following requirements :

- (a) The chemicals are pure substances, including individual chemical components within mixtures;
- (b) The chemicals are manufactured locally and/or imported for local use (net import amount) in quantities equal to or exceeding 1 mT/year; and
- (c) The chemicals meet at least one of the criteria below :
  - (i) Category 1 or 2 acute toxicity for any exposure route under GHS classification;
  - (ii) Category 1 aquatic toxicity (acute) under GHS classification;
  - (iii) Category 1A, 1B or 2 for Carcinogenic, Mutagenic or Reproductive (CMR) toxicity under GHS classification;
  - (iv) Persistent in the environment (i.e. ½ life of more than 6 months in air, water, soil or sediment); and
  - (v) Bioaccumulative in the environment (i.e. Bioaccumulation Factor (BAF) or Bioconcentration Factor (BCF) exceeding 5,000).

The reporting must be submitted via the Chemical Reporting Form at <https://form.gov.sg/6846325c0b06f01fa6fbdd48>

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## **KEY**

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

Machinery incidents in the Manufacturing sector reduced by 48% from 2H2024 in 1H2025. For the same period, the reduction is 37% from 1H2024. This is an improvement since the inclusion of SS ISO 12100 Safety of machinery – General principles for design – Risk assessment and risk reduction in late 2024. The SS ISO 14120 will further enhance machine safety within the manufacturing sector.

NEA's mandatory chemical reporting framework aims to track and monitor chemicals that are imported and/or manufactured in Singapore. Through this framework, NEA aims to better identify chemicals that may pose environmental and public health concerns and prioritise them for potential control where necessary to safeguard both the environment and public safety. Further information on the criteria for reporting, information required for submission and frequency of reporting can be found in the "[Industry Guidance Document for NEA's Chemical Reporting Framework](#)".