



# Monarch Oil (Kitchener) Limited

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Dear Customer,

From time to time we receive requests for updated MSDS copies on our lubricating oils, greases, solvents and antifreeze / coolants. It is our policy to comply with the Canadian regulations and to assist our customers in educating their workers in the safe handling of our materials. We review our product formulations regularly and reformulate as necessary to improve the technology and/or reduce the health and safety risk to operators. We also routinely update all the MSDS materials regardless of any changes to the products.

At this time some of the data sheets may be dated more than three years ago. Please note that this is not in violation of any Canadian regulations. This text below was extracted from the Health Canada website for WHMIS and it helps to clarify the issue.

<http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca>

## **REVISIONS TO MSDS'S:**

As set out in subsection 29(1) of the CPR, information disclosed on MSDS's and labels must be accurate at the time of sale of the controlled product. As set out in subsection 29(2), suppliers are prohibited from supplying MSDS's that have an MSDS preparation date exceeding three years (3x365 days) prior to the sale or importation of a controlled product. Thus, if a supplier has not changed any information on his/her MSDS for three years, he/she must review that information to ensure that it is still accurate and that there is no new available and applicable information that should be disclosed.

There are two key points in this regulation. First, the products that are classified as controlled must have an MSDS no more than three years old. In the case of the majority of our products, they are not controlled according to WHMIS, so therefore this date requirement does not apply; there is no expiration on these MSDS's. Secondly, the MSDS must be accurate at the time of sale. As an example of this, if we had sold the product ten years ago but now supply a current MSDS, there could be a possibility that the product composition would not match that of the MSDS disclosure as a result of our formulation changes. Therefore, an MSDS, ten years old would be the most accurate and therefore the one that we would be obligated to supply at the time of sale.

In the case of requests for MSDS's for controlled products, Monarch Oil (Kitchener) Ltd. will make every effort to maintain them up to date for as long as we sell that particular product. Please do not hesitate to contact Health Canada or us if you have any further questions in this matter.

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