

Importance of technical ventilation of EN – type fire resistant cabinets



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Executive Summary:

This brochure explains why technical ventilation is crucial in EN-type fire-resistant cabinets used for storing hazardous materials. It highlights the benefits of explosion protection, adherence to occupational health limits, and the preservation of equipment longevity. Implementing effective ventilation strategies ensures compliance with regulatory standards, protects worker health, and optimizes operational costs.

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1. Introduction

In modern workplaces, hazardous materials are frequently used despite the risks involved in handling and storing them. These materials have unique properties essential for certain processes, making them indispensable despite posing significant risks to human health and the environment.

In the realm of occupational health and safety, HSE (Health, Safety, Environment) officers are tasked with ensuring the meticulous storage of hazardous materials, prioritizing personnel well-being, environmental protection, and regulatory compliance. By implementing stringent protocols, HSE officers mitigate risks, prevent environmental contamination, and uphold legal standards. Proper storage practices also reduce fire and chemical hazards, facilitate emergency response, and promote a safety culture within organizations. The vigilance of HSE officers in overseeing the safe storage of hazardous materials is paramount to safeguarding lives, protecting the environment, and promoting a culture where safety is of supreme importance.

To achieve these objectives, there are two common approaches to storing hazardous materials safely in companies: centralized and decentralized storage. Each approach offers distinct advantages and considerations, depending on factors such as the nature of the materials, operational requirements, and regulatory compliance.



While centralized storage solutions, such as dedicated storerooms or fire-resistant containers, provide logistical advantages for the storage of bulk quantities of hazardous materials, storage cabinets compliant with European Norm 14470-1 offer equivalent fire-resistant properties for day-to-day quantities, situated directly within the workplace environment.

Given the increasing emphasis on efficiency and flexibility in contemporary workplaces, storage cabinets present notable advantages. Their inherent safety features, including state-of-the-art 90-minute fire resistance, coupled with their flexibility, render them an ideal choice.

In accommodating evolving operational needs while ensuring the highest safety standards, storage cabinets emerge as a pragmatic solution in today's dynamic work environments.

2. Two aspects of decentralized storage

By opting for a Type 90 safety cabinet, a significant step has been taken towards enhancing workplace safety. This decision underscores the commitment to safeguarding personnel and assets while proactively addressing potential risks associated with hazardous materials.

The installation of the Type 90 safety cabinet greatly improves storage flexibility within the workspace. It allows secure storage within the working environment but requires attention to the presence of dangerous vapors. Addressing both safe storage and the creation of a non-hazardous work environment is essential for ensuring overall workplace safety.

A technically ventilated cabinet emerges as the optimal solution, seamlessly integrating secure storage with a safe work environment. By effectively removing harmful vapors, it not only mitigates health risks but also aligns with recommendations outlined in risk assessment protocols.

By prioritizing both safe storage and a safe work environment, the company fosters a culture of safety and well-being among employees while fulfilling regulatory standards and duty of care obligations.



Have you considered the potential impacts of a fire of flammable liquids?

Our video illustrates the fire resistance of 3 different types of safety storage cabinets typically used to store flammable liquids.

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