

ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

ACOHS	Advisory Council for Occupational Health and Safety
ANSI	American National Standards Institute
ARC	Agricultural Research Council
ASTM	American Society for Testing and Materials
AU	African Union
AVCASA	Crop Protection and Animal Health Association
CAIA	Chemical and Allied Industries' Association
CAUSE	Consumers Against Unsafe Shopping Environments
CBI	Confidential Business Information
CBOs	Community-Based Organisations
CEC	Committee for Environmental Co-ordination
CHIETA	Chemical Industries Education and Training Authority
COSATU	Congress of South African Trade Unions
DEAT	Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism
DME	Department of Minerals and Energy
DOE	Department of Education
DOH	Department of Health
DOL	Department of Labour
DPLG	Department of Provincial and Local Government
DWAF	Department of Water Affairs and Forestry
EU	European Union
FEDUSA	Federation of Unions of South Africa
FRIDGE	Fund for Research into Development, Growth and Equity
GAR	General Administrative Regulations
GEF	Global Environment Facility
GHS	Globally Harmonised System for the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals
HCS	Hazardous Chemical Substances

HS	Harmonised System of Trade Classification
ICSC	International Chemical Safety Card
IHRG	Industrial Health Research Group
IHSEP	Industrial Health and Safety Education Project
IHU	Industrial Health Unit
IJCH	Isabel Jones Consumer Hotline
ILO	International Labour Organisation
IMDG	International Maritime Dangerous Goods
IPCS	International Programme on Chemical Safety
ISO	International Standards Organisation
LGWSETA	Local Government, Water and Related Services Education and Training Authority
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
NACTU	National Council of Trade Unions
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Area
NCDMC	National Co-ordinating Disaster Management Committee
NCF	National Consumer Forum
NCOH	National Centre for Occupational Health
NDA	National Department of Agriculture
NDMC	National Disaster Management Centre
NDOT	National Department of Transport
NEDLAC	National Economic Development and Labour Advisory Council
NEPAD	New Partnership for Africa's Development
NGOs	Non-Governmental Organizations
NQF	National Qualifications Framework
OECD	Organisation for Economic and Co-operation Development
OEHRU	Occupational and Environmental Health Research Unit
OHS	Occupational Health and Safety
PAETA	Primary Agriculture Sector Education and Training Authority
PDMC	Provincial Disaster Management Committee

PSETA	Public Services Education and Training Authority
RSR	Railway Safety Regulator
SABS	South African Bureau of Standards
SADC	Southern African Development Community
SADCA	Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Accreditation
SADCSTAN	Southern African Development Community Cooperation in Standardisation
SAMSA	South African Maritime Safety Authority
SANAS	South African National Accreditation System
SAQA	South African Qualifications Authority
SCEGHS	UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the GHS
SDS	Safety Data Sheet
SEARCH	Southern and East African Regulatory Committee on Harmonisation
SETA	Sector Education and Training Authority
SETASA	Secondary Agriculture Sector Education and Training Authority
SMME	Small, medium and micro enterprise
STANSA	Standards South Africa (a division of SABS)
SSS	Secretariat for Safety and Security
TETA	Transport Education and Training Authority
the dti	Department of Trade and Industry
Tremcard	Transport Emergency Card
UCT	University of Cape Town
UN	United Nations
UNEP	United Nations Environmental Programme
UNITAR	United Nations Institute for Training and Research
USA	United States of America
WSSD	World Summit on Sustainable Development
W&RSETA	Wholesale and Retail Sector Education and Training Authority