

TITLE: Reporting Environmental Releases

TARGET POPULATION: Persons who may discover environmental releases or observe dumping violations

OVERALL LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

- Recognize hazardous materials and understand their risks.
- Understand your role as the person who discovers a potential hazard.
- Realize the need for other resources and learn where to get them.
- Size up a scene.
- Communicate to the responders.
- Work within the local system.

CHAPTER 1: UNSOLVED MYSTERIES – MAJOR CONTENTS

- **Unsolved Mysteries Exercise**
- Examples from your experience
- What is a Hazardous Material?

CHAPTER 2: HAZARD RECOGNITION – MAJOR CONTENTS

- Hazard Recognition Introduction
- Physical Hazards – Keeping a Safe Distance
- Biological Hazards
- Chemical Hazards
- Labels and Placards
- **Placards and Labels Exercise**
- Containers
- **Container Shapes Exercise**
- Reporting What You See
- **Exercise – What’s Going On Here?**

CHAPTER 3: HEALTH EFFECTS – MAJOR CONTENTS

- Health Effects: How, When, and Where?
- At the scene
- Health Effects Before You Leave the Scene
- Health Effects After You Leave the Scene

CHAPTER 4: RESOURCES – MAJOR CONTENTS

- Agencies
- Legislation
- Internet Web Pages

EXERCISE – INSTRUCTION FOR TOXIC RELEASE INVENTORY (TRI) DATA SEARCH

- General Information
- Search Instructions
- Internet Web Pages