

General Science Safety Checklist

The following is a suggested checklist of safety concerns in K-12 science laboratories.



- ☐ 1. Appropriated protective equipment for the science laboratory
- ☐ 2. Enforcement of safety procedures
- ☐ 3. All students and teachers know the local of all protective equipment
- ☐ 4. All students read and sign a lab safety contract.
- ☐ 5. Sufficient, accessible lab stations per number of students in each laboratory
- ☐ 6. All students must wear proper safety goggles whenever chemicals, glassware, or heat is used
- ☐ 7. Equipment and chemical inventory maintained
- ☐ 8. Chemicals properly arranged by compatibility and securely stored
- ☐ 9. Restricted amounts of chemicals
- ☐ 10. Adequate labeling on equipment, chemicals and hazards
- ☐ 11. Material Safety Data Sheets
- ☐ 12. Unobstructed exits from laboratory
- ☐ 13. Uncluttered laboratories
- ☐ 14. Master shut-off switches for gas, water and electricity
- ☐ 15. Safety Rules and charts posted
- ☐ 16. Records kept on safety training and lab incidents
- ☐ 17. Emergency exit/escape plan posted

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18. Live animals and students are protected from one another

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