

FLAMMABLE LIQUID

CHEMICALS & FERTILISERS

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Each state has specific legislation to regulate the use, manufacture, transport, storage and handling of explosives, explosive precursors and other related dangerous goods. The Council of Australian Governments (COAG) has reviewed all hazardous substances and South Australia has amended the following legislation and regulations to comply with the review: Explosives (Security Sensitive Substances) Regulations 2021; Explosives Act 1936; Dangerous Substances Act 1979; and Work Health and Safety Act 2012.

All fertilisers containing more than 45% ammonium nitrate (AN) have been designated Security Sensitive Ammonium Nitrate (SSAN). Primary producers must apply to SafeWork SA to obtain a licence to use, possess, store or transport these fertilisers. Producers must develop a Site Security Plan for agricultural use of SSAN. The security plan must contain details of the facilities, system and procedures in place for the safe and secure handling of SSAN. A security plan is also required if you are storing explosives. All information for licencing and developing plans is available at safework.sa.gov.au. You are recommended to contact SafeWork SA for advice on authorisations and storage standards for all hazardous materials including SSAN and explosives.

As a guide:

- SSAN should be stored in a physically secure place (locked or under constant surveillance), and there should be procedures in place to control access, to secure the control of keys and to document the receiving and dispatching of SSAN.
- Dedicated storage areas should be kept locked to prevent unauthorised access.
- Fertilisers, herbicides and pesticides should be stored in their original containers away from heat, exterior walls and separate to animal health products, stock feed, fuel and private dwellings.
- Reduce the quantity of chemicals stored and comply with the manufacturers' specifications (e.g. storage/usage times).
- Maintain a full inventory of all chemicals kept on the farm including the product name, manufacturer name, a description of the container(s), formulation type, quantities, expiry dates and values (keep invoices and receipts of all purchases).
- Permanently mark chemical containers with your name or other information unique to you.
- Post warning signs on storage facilities identifying the class of dangerous goods.
- Report any loss, theft, attempted theft, sabotage or any other security incident to SA Police and SafeWork SA.
- Notify police if someone tries to sell you agricultural chemicals at prices under the normal market value.

REPORT ANONYMOUSLY

If you have information about unsolved crime or suspicious activity, anonymously share it with Crime Stoppers online or freecall 1800 333 000

