Health & Safety

Applies to: All employees

Policy Statement:
The Office of Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) helps ensure that Dartmouth complies with the myriad occupational and environmental regulations that apply to an academic institution. The goal of EHS is essentially two-fold; 1) to help reduce the potential for harm and losses caused by occupational accidents, illnesses, and injuries through the development of effective (and compliant) health and safety programs and 2) to carefully manage and dispose of hazardous materials in the interest of environmental protection and public health. Environmental compliance includes regulatory requirements related to recordkeeping and pollution prevention as well as waste collection and proper disposal.

EHS has the vested authority to prohibit, stop, or otherwise limit potential occupational or environmental harm to individuals, public health, or the environment.

Definitions and Regulations:
All faculty, staff, students, and visitors working with potential hazardous materials (biological, chemical, or radiological) at Dartmouth are subject to registration, oversight, training, inspection, and audit by EHS.

All faculty, staff, students, and visitors working with tools, equipment, or energies at Dartmouth that may be hazardous or pose a potential risk if not properly controlled must comply with the College’s written programs. Where no specific program exists, they are required to use reasonable care and precaution.

The College provides a wide range of consultation, information, training, resources, and personal protective equipment to ensure individuals are protected.

Procedure:
EHS requires mandatory safety and environmental management training for all faculty, staff, students, and visitors working with potential hazardous materials.

EHS coordinates or approves the disposal of all hazardous materials.

Safety is a shared responsibility. Supervisors at all levels are responsible for the safety of those they supervise. Employees must report all real or perceived concerns to their supervisor and/or EHS.
Documentation:

EHS is located at 37 Dewey Field Road (1st Floor), (603) 646-1762. Visit http://www.dartmouth.edu/~ehs/ for more information.