

Obsolete Fire Hazard Categories

Why are some Fire Hazard Categories no longer available in the CERS Chemical Library?

Answer: The 2013 version of the California Fire Code (CFC) dropped several fire hazard categories found in earlier editions of the CFC. The following are no longer valid fire hazard categories:

- Carcinogen
- Irritant
- Liquefied Petroleum Gas
- Magnesium
- Other Health Hazard
- Radioactive
- Sensitizer
- Other

Some CUPAs and Participating Agencies (PAs) require that you report the Fire Hazard category for each hazardous material. This information is used by fire agencies for building construction and occupancy related to storage and handling of hazardous materials. If you are required to report this information use the active categories listed below to report. They are available for selection in CERS as you prepare your inventory.

California Code of Regulations Title 27 Data Dictionary field 210 has been updated to reflect these changes. The table below lists all the values that can be displayed in CERS. The ones marked 'obsolete' are not available for selection when creating a new chemical record in CERS nor will they display in the Chemical Library or in any current inventory submittal. They will be visible on previously submitted inventories. This change became operational in CERS in July 2014.

CERS Valid Value #	Fire Hazard Category	CERS Valid Value #	Fire Hazard Category	CERS Valid Value #	Fire Hazard Category
1	Carcinogen (Obsolete)	14	Irritant (Obsolete)	27	Other Health Hazard (Obsolete)
2	Combustible Liquid, Class II	15	Liquefied Petroleum Gas (Obsolete)	28	Pyrophoric
3	Combustible Liquid, Class III-A	16	Magnesium (Obsolete)	29	Radioactive (Obsolete)
4	Combustible Liquid, Class III-B	17	Oxidizing, Class 1	30	Sensitizer (Obsolete)
5	Corrosive	18	Oxidizing, Class 2	31	Toxic
6	Cryogen	19	Oxidizing, Class 3	32	Unstable (Reactive), Class 1
7	Explosive	20	Oxidizing, Class 4	33	Unstable (Reactive), Class 2
8	Flammable Gas	21	Oxidizing Gas, Gaseous	34	Unstable (Reactive), Class 3
9	Flammable Liquid, Class I-A	22	Oxidizing Gas, Liquefied	35	Unstable (Reactive), Class 4
10	Flammable Liquid, Class I-B	23	Organic Peroxide, Class I	36	Water Reactive, Class 1
11	Flammable Liquid, Class I-C	24	Organic Peroxide, Class II	37	Water Reactive, Class 2
12	Flammable Solid	25	Organic Peroxide, Class III	38	Water Reactive, Class 3
13	Highly Toxic	26	Organic Peroxide, Class IV	39	Other (Obsolete)