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Contribute to health and safety in the optical practice/store



Overview

This standard covers health and safety in the practice/store. It includes carrying out emergency procedures reporting accidents and taking actions to prevent further accidents. It also includes disposing of waste materials cleanly and safely. Users of this standard will need to ensure that practice reflects up to date information and policies.

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Performance criteria

Carry out relevant procedures in the case of an emergency

You must be able to:

- P1 raise the alarm correctly
- P2 identify the correct emergency services and take appropriate action
- P3 use the correct equipment according to its instructions
- P4 ensure the correct evacuation procedure is followed in a calm and orderly manner to the correct assembly point
- P5 report accidents in accordance with the correct procedures
- P6 provide or obtain first aid promptly
- P7 take the necessary action to prevent further accidents

Dispose of waste and rubbish

You must be able to:

- P8 handle waste and rubbish correctly according to its characteristics
- P9 use any necessary protective clothing and equipment correctly
- P10 remove waste and rubbish promptly as it occurs and store in the correct location
- P11 clean equipment used for processing or containing waste and rubbish and return to its correct location
- P12 adhere to safety procedures at all times

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Knowledge and understanding

You need to know and understand:

Carry out relevant procedures in the case of an emergency

- K1 how to respond to different types of emergency: fire, explosion, accident, bomb alert, suspicious package
- K2 fire fighting and first aid equipment
- K3 the disciplines associated with fire prevention
- K4 types of emergency service: fire, police, ambulance
- K5 evacuation procedures
- K6 the position of fire exits and assembly points
- K7 use and limitations of fire extinguishers
- K8 procedures regarding emergencies
- K9 reporting procedures
- K10 the importance of keeping fire exits clear
- K11 conform to Health and Safety requirements

Dispose of waste and rubbish

You need to know and understand:

- K12 how to deal with waste material: used packaging, used cleaning materials, perishable waste
- K13 location and use of protective clothing
- K14 responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work Act
- K15 know the COSHH regulations relevant to your practice/store
- K16 appropriate disposal of waste and rubbish to minimise pests and prevent fires

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Additional Information

External links

This standard links with the following dimension within the NHS Knowledge and Skills Framework (October 2004):

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