



AMMONIA

I. Protocol Overview

Ammonia, classified as a choking/pulmonary agent, is a gas at room temperature but can be converted into a liquid for shipment and storage. Exposure to high concentrations may cause severe burns to the skin, eyes, throat, and lungs. In extreme cases, blindness, lung damage, or death could occur. Inhalation of lower concentrations can cause coughing, and nose and throat irritation.

For all suspected chemical exposures, consult the Poison Control Center (800-222-1222) located at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Information and treatment advice is available to the public and healthcare professionals at no charge.

The Delaware Public Health Laboratory does not perform this testing. Contact the CDC or the Poison Control Center.

II. Contact Information

24/7 CDC Emergency Contact Number: 1-888-295-5156

Poison Control Center: 215-386-2100

III. CDC Website

<http://emergency.cdc.gov/agent/ammonia/casedef.asp>