

Here are the lyrics to The HAZCOM Song.

It is a song that I wrote in March 2011 about the United States OSHA HAZCOM program. If you like it and use it in your safety training, please let me know at marsht9@yahoo.com.

A performance of the song is available on youtube at

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eeyA4Z6aDCw>

The song is written to the tune The Thing by Phil Harris (1950's)

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I strolled into receiving one dry cold sunny day

Packages and boxes in total disarray

They had no HMIS labels or identifying marks

I got out of there with the BOOM BOOM BOOM to avoid the sparks.

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When I entered the labor force I had no Hazcom smarts

All around the flammables I would play lawn darts

Didn't know the government had a master plan

To label nasty bottles and leave Afghanistan

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Hazardous Materials Identification System

It sure is a mouthful but you better lesson

Substances must be labeled at your place of work

A legal responsibility that you cannot shirk

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Hazcom became a law in the 1980's

Reagan was the bossman and I was making babies

The main focus is the worker's right to know

So everything is labeled from head right down to toe

Yes, everything is labeled from head right down to toe.

Hazcom written programs list precautionary measures

First aid procedures and other sordid treasures

Risk phrases are shown like may explode if held

Highly irritating like Newman on Seinfeld

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The Fire Guys use diamonds

The painters all use bars

E.T. used a Speak and Spell when labeling on Mars

No matter the state you're in – Solid, Liquid, Gas

Learn the hazard symbols from Alaska down to Mass

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OSHA has created a rich vocabulary

There's even an icon if you can't eat dairy

Lethal dose 50 and pH play a role

Hey! Affix them to my wife's tuna casserole!

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Hazards can enter your body in many ways

Like absorption – soaking in mayonnaise

What? You think that problem is rather small?

Imagine the increase in your cholesterol.

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We keep MSDS in binders and online

You know what to do if you're drenched in turpentine

Consult MSDS, take the correct action.

Workplace safety is concrete, not an abstraction.

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Women of Wooster, Men of Montana State

Learn the rules know so we can celebrate

At the xmas party, show off what you know

And you might get a great big kiss under HMISletoe

Yes you will get a great big kiss under HMISletoe

So what was the boom boom boom

It is fair to ask.

Handling it should you wear goggles and a mask?

Read the Hazcom programs, they'll tell you every time

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