# INCIDENT WITH PHENOL (Case n° 108-95-2)

**DANGER!** Toxic, corrosive

#### **STRAIGHT AWAY**

### Sprayed into the eye

- Wash immediately in running water for at least 15 minutes, pulling the eyelids widely apart with the head tilted, affected eye down (get help from a colleague).
- Contact lenses will get washed out but if not, do not try to take them out.
- See an ophthalmologist as soon as possible.

## Sprayed onto the skin

- Wash in running water for at least 15 minutes.
- Call the Emergency Services (SAMU) straight away if the exposed surface covers more than 10% of the body's surface area (10% = the head or the arms).

## Inhalation of the vapor

- Get out of the contaminated area as quickly as possible: seek fresh air.
- When intervening, wear self-contained breathing apparatus or, if none is available, a full cartridge mask respirator, e.g. Class 2 ABE or ABEK.
- In the event of massive inhalation, call:
  - the Emergency Services (SAMU: 15),
  - the Fire Brigade(18),
  - from a Mobile (112).
- Consult a doctor straight away even if you do not notice any symptoms (breathing difficulty, etc.).

#### FOLLOWING DAYS

- Go to a doctor's surgery, the Emergency Department or the workplace's medical unit within 24 hours.
- Fill out an "Accident in the Workplace" form.
- **Notify the Prevention Assistant** and **report** the incident or accident in the Health & Safety Log.
- **Report the incident or accident** to the Prevention Adviser.
- Go to see the Prevention Physician for ongoing care and report any symptom that you notice in the days following the incident or accident.

#### PREVENTION

- Handle in a fume cupboard like a CMR substance in a defined, marked area.
- Wear safety goggles with side bars, suitable gloves and a buttoned up coat.





