Topic & Question

Topic: Hazards in the workplace

For the Hazard list in the employers binder, how long do they need to be maintained? 30 years. Toxic chemicals only.

I know if we no longer use the material we do not need to keep the sheets, and if there is an exposure incident, we keep the MSDS sheet with the employees exposure incident for 30 years, but how long do we keep the list of deleted MSDS sheets? 30 years

Can you also tell me where it reads in the standard? See: 1910.1020: d 1 II b, and 1910.1020: c 5 i v.

When is the Global Harmonized for Hazard Communications going into effect? Proposal on September 2009, and looking at a couple of additional years.

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