Amendment to the Enforcement Order of Industrial Safety and Health Act and related ordinances about substances subject to labelling and notice

In order to prevent a worker's health to be impaired by substances subject to labelling and notice and preparations containing such substances, the Ministry of Health, Labour and Welfare (MHLW) of Japan will amend the Enforcement Order of Industrial Safety and Health Act and related ordinances and place the following obligations on business operators.

- (1) Business operators who transfer or provide the substances in Appendix 1, preparations containing these substances, and other things containing these substances are obligated to label a container or a package these substances are put into with the designated matters including the name of the substance as referred to in paragraph (1) of Article 57 of the Industrial Safety and Health Act (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"), and to deliver a document as referred to in paragraph (1) of Article 57-2 of the Act. (Proposed date of entry into force: April 2025 (subject to change))
- (2) Business operators who transfer or provide the substances in Appendix 2, preparations containing these substances, and other things containing these substances are obligated to label a container or a package these substances are put into with the designated matters including the name of the substance as referred to in paragraph (1) of Article 57 of the Act, and to deliver a document as referred to in paragraph (1) of Article 57-2 of the Act. (Proposed date of entry into force: April 2026 (subject to change))

The Act and related ordinances are available at the following website.

https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/3440

https://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/en/laws/view/3817