



IHMM Intellectual Property Policy

Introduction

This notice outlines the policy of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management with regard to its intellectual property rights, how those rights are enforced, and the authorized uses of trademarked symbols, logos and words by others.

1. Registration and Ownership of Marks

IHMM maintains registration of its service marks with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and monitors use of those marks.

1.2 Use of the CHMM Designation

- A. “Certified Hazardous Materials Manager” and “CHMM” are registered trademarks of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management.
- B. Upon receipt of the official CHMM certificate, an individual is authorized to use these designations so long as the certification has not expired, been suspended, revoked or voluntarily relinquished, or converted to the Inactive or “CHMM (Ret.)” status.

1.3 Use of the CHMP Designation

- A. “Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner” and “CHMP” are service marks of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management.
- B. Upon receipt of the official CHMP certificate, an individual is authorized to use these designations so long as the certification has not expired, been suspended, revoked or voluntarily relinquished, or converted to the Inactive or “CHMP (Ret.)” status.



1.4 Use of the CDGP Designation

- A. “Certified Dangerous Goods Professional” and “CDGP” are service marks of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management.
- B. Upon receipt of the official CDGP certificate, an individual is authorized to use these designations so long as the certification has not expired, been suspended, decertified, or voluntarily relinquished, or converted to the Inactive or “CDGP (Ret.)” status.

1.5 Use of the CDGT Designation

- A. Certified Dangerous Goods Trainer” and “CDGT” are service marks of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management.
- B. Upon receipt of the official CDGT certificate, an individual is authorized to use these designations so long as the certification has not expired, been suspended, decertified, or voluntarily relinquished, or converted to the Inactive or “CDGT (Ret.)” status.

1.6 Authorized and Appropriate use of Certificate, Logo and Marks

- A. The designations “Certified Hazardous Materials Manager,” “Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner,” “Certified Dangerous Good Professional”, and Certified Dangerous Goods Trainer, “CHMM,” “CHMP,” “CDGP” and “CDGT” may not be used by anyone for any purpose that is untruthful, misleading, or in violation of any applicable law or governmental regulation.
- B. Authorized use of “Certified Hazardous Materials Manager,” “Certified Hazardous Materials Practitioner,” “Certified Dangerous Good Professional” and “Certified Dangerous Good Trainer”, “CHMM,” “CHMP,” “CDGP” and “CDGT” as described in this section does not include the right to use the logo of the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management.
- C. A person who is certified by the Institute of Hazardous Materials Management shall receive a numbered certificate appropriate to the type of certification. The certificate will also contain an expiration date conforming to the credential’s recertification cycle. Certified individuals in good standing may use the credential designations as outlined in Sections 1.7, 1.2, 1.3 and 1.4 above.

1.7 Monitoring and Enforcing Appropriate Use

- A. IHMM shall take a proactive approach to the protection of its logo and marks.
- B. Persons concerned with the possible use of the CHMM, CHMP, CDGP or CDGT designation without authorization (unauthorized use) are encouraged to contact IHMM as outlined in Section 1.8.8 Complaints.
- C. If a report is received on an individual who has been reported as using the CHMM, CHMP, CDGP or CDGT designation without authorization, see 1.5.2.1 A, B, C, D, E, F.
- D. Terminology of “without authorization,” “fraudulent,” and “not fraudulent” as outlined in 1.5.2.2 A, B, C.
- E. Since the logo and marks are the property of IHMM, IHMM reserves the right at its sole discretion to require the removal of the logo from any location or the cessation of use that IHMM determines does not comply with its guidelines.
- F. IHMM reserves the right to take legal action and/or other corrective measures to ensure the appropriate use of the logo and marks.

1.8 Publication of Authorized Use Requirements

Authorized use requirements of IHMM property shall be published on the IHMM website and in written format at the time of awarding the certificate or the right to use the property.