



Environmental Health & Safety Audit Protocol Argentina 2021

release notes

STP ComplianceEHS (STP) announces the release of its recently updated EHS audit protocol for Argentina and the Province of Buenos Aires. This audit protocol, which covers relevant national EHS requirements, was previously updated in August 2019. The regulatory date for the current release is July 2021. The table below shows the extent of regulatory changes that have occurred since the previous update.

Number of Legislative Instruments and their Status
(since August 2019)

| Protocol Section | No Change | New | Amended | Repealed |
|---|-----------|-----|---------|----------|
| General Environmental | 18 | 4 | 2 | 3 |
| Air Emissions | 13 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Solid and Hazardous Waste | 47 | 4 | 2 | 2 |
| Water Resources | 23 | 1 | 2 | 1 |
| Above and Below Ground Tank Management | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| Community Noise | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| PCBs | 6 | 1 | 0 | 4 |
| Asbestos | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| General Health and Safety | 18 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Equipment, Machine and Electrical Safety | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Material Handling and General In-Plant Safety | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| Fire Safety | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Transport of Dangerous Goods | 12 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Industrial Hygiene | 19 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Chemical Management | 15 | 4 | 0 | 3 |
| Construction Work Site Safety | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

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highlights of selected new legislation

- **Resolution No. 12 of January 11, 2019** establishes requirements for facilities that have been declared a "Polluting Agent" to submit suitability plans.

- **Joint Resolution No. 2 of November 25, 2019** establishes guidelines for contractual conditions in environmental insurance policies.

- **Resolution No. 492 of July 7, 2019** establishes the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) procedure and the requirements for obtaining an Environmental Impact Declaration (DIA) through the OPDS web portal.

- **Resolution No. 104 of April 2, 2020** incorporates hydro-fluorocarbons listed in Annex F – Group I and Group II of the Kigali Amendment of the Montreal Protocol to the Import and Export Licensing System established by *Decree No. 1609/2004*.

- **Resolution No. 453 of November 28, 2019** creates the integrated management system for wastes and others "Sistema de gestion integral de Residuos y Otros," or "GIRO"), which is in process of replacing the SIMEL online manifest system.

- **Resolution No. 446 of December 4, 2020** approves a harmonized color code for the identification, classification and segregation of domestic waste. It does not apply to the provinces or the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires.

- **Resolution No. 468 of June 24, 2019** regulates the treatment of oils for reuse in industrial establishments. It applies to used oils that are totally or partially mineral or synthetic-based, from industrial or non-industrial establishments, which have become unsuitable for their intended use.

- **Resolution No. 553 of October 16, 2019** requires generators of special industrial waste, non-special industrial waste, and pathogenic waste to keep copies of the waste manifests for at least 10 years.

- **Resolution No. 2,222 of December 9, 2019** establishes the 3-step process for obtaining authorization for water usage.

- **Resolution No. 355 of October 1, 2020** creates the Integrated National Registry of PCB Holders ("Registro Nacional Integrado de Poseedores de PCB", or "RENIPP").

- **Resolution No. 20 of March 9, 2018** establishes a new improvement program for Small and Medium Entities with high accident rates.

- **Resolution No. 1,122 of November 22, 2019** approves the general obligations and requirements for the use of chemical precursors in accordance with the Manual of Administrative Procedures of the National Registry of Chemical Precursors.

- **Resolution No. 81 of October 8, 2019** approves the “List of Carcinogenic Substances and Agents.”

- **Resolution No. 451 of November 26, 2019** prohibits the production, import, formulation, trade and use of chemicals covered by the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants.

- **Resolution No. 110 of 12 April 2021** establishes import and export procedures for chemicals subject to Prior Informed Consent (PIC) the Rotterdam Convention on the Prior Informed Consent.



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