



**International Warehouse Logistics Association Chemical Council
Adopted October 18, 2012**

Statement of Purpose

The Purpose of the Chemical Council of the International Warehouse Logistics Association is to:

Join together as a group of Third Party Warehouse Operators focused on the legal, safe and efficient storage and handling of chemicals.

To collaborate as subject matter experts in the area of Chemical Logistics.

To gain recognition as professionals advancing the best practices in our industry.

To embrace fellow Council members who demonstrate the active pursuit of these ideals.

To continuously review and improve the standards by which we judge ourselves.

Goals and Objectives

In order to achieve the Purpose the Chemical Council's Goals and Objectives are:

To join together as a group each year at an Annual Conference.

To adopt a Protocol that will be referred to as "Responsible Warehousing".

"Responsible Warehousing" will document the best practices for Third Party Chemical Warehouse Operators.

The Path to Council Membership will be:

Requirements to be considered an Active Council Members are as--

1. To be Current on dues paid to the IWLA
2. As established by the IWLA Board of Directors, Council Members must agree to conform with the "Responsible Warehousing" Protocol by either...
 - a. Within three years of joining the Council the Member will participate in a verification process of the "Responsible Warehousing" Protocol and pay the submission fee. The submission fees (as of this date) will be \$3,900. This will include the costs for document review, on-site verification and the verification coordinator. This path to admission will be by Verification; or
 - b. A Member can apply to the Council for admission by demonstrating that, within the past three years, it has passed verification under the NACD or CACD "Responsible Distribution" Protocol or the ACC "Responsible Care" Management System. This path to admission will be by reciprocal acceptance.

Council Administration:

"Responsible Warehousing" Protocol Modification--

We recognize that the "Responsible Warehousing" Protocol will need constant review, update and modification. At each Annual Conference an agenda item will be the consideration of Modifications to the Protocol. Any active Council Member Company that has completed either path to admission may submit recommendations for Modifications to the Protocol. Proposals should be submitted in writing to the Council Chairperson at least 30 days prior to the upcoming Conference. Recommendations will be heard at the Conference and accepted or rejected by vote of active Council members present at the Conference. Each active Council Member Company present will have one vote. Acceptance of a modification will require 60% affirmative votes of those in attendance.

Annual Dues--

There will be annual dues to belong to the Chemical Council. These dues will be held to a minimum and designed to cover the administrative costs of the Council. Council dues for the 2012-2013 year will be set at \$600.

Verification Cycle--

There will be a three year verification cycle. The first cycle will be 2012, 2013 and 2014. All Council Members will submit to verification once during each cycle. Subsequent cycle verifications will address different locations if a Member has multiple sites.

Approved Verifier--

Compliance Solutions Group of Baton Rouge, LA has been selected and contracted to be the approved Verifier for the Council. If a second verifier is needed for Canadian members it may be selected at a later date.

Committees--

Chemical Council Question and Answer Electronic Hotline

At any time Council Members can submit questions concerning Best Practices to the Electronic Hotline. Answers to these questions will come from Council Members who volunteer to participate on the Q&A Electronic Hotline Committee. Within 24 hours the Committee will respond with their personal experiences and advice regarding the question. A log of questions and answers will be maintained and will become the Chemical Council's Frequently Asked Questions.

Council Dispute Resolution Committee

Council members are allowed to dispute any recommendation made by the Verifier during the verification process. The purpose of the Dispute Resolution Committee is to hear the objections and make a determination. The committee will be composed of three members. These members will be the Council Chairperson, Pat O'Connor from the IWLA staff and a third Council Member at large. The Verification Coordinator, a staff person from the Verifier, will gather all information requested by the Committee. The Committee will review the facts of the case and make a decision. This decision will be delivered to the IWLA Headquarters. IWLA Headquarters will advise the Member of the Committee's decision.