

Chemical products storage

- Chemicals can never be stored with food or drugs supplies.
- A lot of chemicals are dangerous goods – make sure you identify them and follow the [storing dangerous goods](#) section guidance
- When conducting routine warehouse checks, check the packaging of chemicals thoroughly for wet cartons, chewed plastic, broken seals and spilt liquids.
- Most chemicals are perishable. Maintain an alert system to warn of pre-expired chemicals – when in the last six months of their shelf life, they can be donated to local authorities or other parties. Keep a list of the three and six-month-pre-expired chemicals in your stock records.
- The disposal of chemicals is extremely sensitive. Always refer to your Logistics delegate, regional Logistics or UKO Logistics before initiating the process to dispose of chemicals.
- Fuel and chlorine are the most commonly stored chemicals in humanitarian contexts – make sure they are managed accordingly.