



Choosing a Spill Kit

All workplace facilities run the risk of leaking equipment or large scale spills. Spill Kits make up a central feature of any Spill Response plan to minimise the effects of a spill. When choosing the best tools to use in your Spill Response plan, and day to day maintenance, there are a number of things to consider.

What is the maximum likely spill?

A spill kit should be selected by the amount of liquid it can contain and/or absorb. This amount is relative to the maximum spill your workplace is likely to encounter. A rough guideline is:

1,000 litre Intermediate Bulk Carrier	4 x 240L Workplace Kit
205 litre drum	1 x 240L Workplace Kit
60 litre drum	1 x 120L Workplace Kit
20 litre drum	1 x 50L Transport Kit

What liquids do I need to contain?

Spill kits are designed to be adjusted to suit your specific requirements. There are generally 3 types of kits:

Hydrocarbon – developed to absorb oil and fuel based products around water, without absorbing the water itself.

Universal / General Purpose – designed to absorb a wider range on liquids including; oils, fuels, water, coolant, general workplace chemicals and common agricultural chemicals.

Hazchem – used for hazardous chemical spills such as strong oxidises, acids and caustics.

Where should the Spill Kit be located?

Workplace kits should be located near vulnerable areas such as heavy machinery, liquid storage or receive and dispatch areas. The kit should be located within 30 metres of the possible threat to ensure the spill can be successfully contained.

How will our operators know how to use the kit?

SpilMax[®] Spill Kits come with a general instruction card. However we recommend formal training is undertaken to ensure effective use of the spill kit and the safety of your staff.

If I have a spill, how can I ensure the kit is restocked?

It is difficult to make sure your spill kit remains always ready for an emergency situation. The most effective method would be to employ a scheduled servicing plan. All kits come with a contents list to allow operators to reorder the correct amount of items to restock the kits.

