

Mercury in Schools

How to be safe in case of a spill

I. Stay Calm

- **If mercury is spilled in the school do not panic. Remain calm and get as far away as you can.**



A silvery, odorless toxin, mercury breaks up into tiny beads when released.

2. Don't touch it !!

- **Never try to clean up the mercury yourselves.**
- **Mercury vapors are toxic, and they can make you feel very sick or dizzy.**



3. Tell a Teacher

- **If you see a spill or are part of a spill, immediately go and tell your teacher.**
- **If not at school—find an adult you know and trust and tell him/her what you found.**

TEACHER !!!!!!!



4. Avoid the Spill

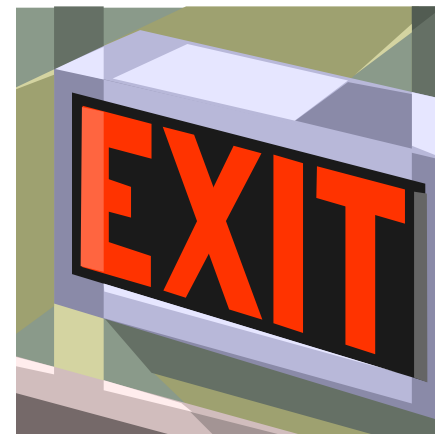
- **Move far away from the area where the mercury spilled.**



- **If you walk too close to the spilled mercury it can contaminate your shoes and spread everywhere you walk.**

5. Leave the room

- **Once your teacher has been notified, she will instruct you on the exit procedure.**
- **Be quiet and pay attention. Your teacher is trying to prevent any harm to you or your classmates.**



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