

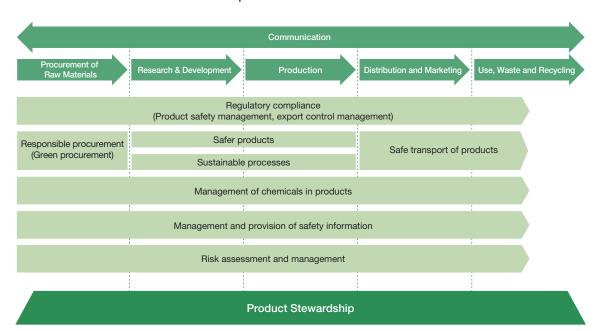
Product Stewardship

Basic Policy

Product stewardship refers to responsible product management in cooperation with stakeholders that protects the environment and the health and safety of people across the supply chain throughout product life cycles (encompassing the procurement of raw materials, research & development, production, distribution and marketing, and use, waste and recycling). Product stewardship initiatives are part of the foundation of responsible care.

In line with its mission of realizing KAITEKI and as part of its responsible care activities, Mitsubishi Chemical strives to implement product stewardship through safety management at every stage of its products' life cycles. In addition, we provide information about product risks to stakeholders and engage in dialogue to ensure proper management and work to ensure appropriate end use and end users of our products from the perspective of security export control.

Mitsubishi Chemical's Product Stewardship Initiatives



Communication

Communicate with stakeholders, both internal and external, including customers, regulators and the public, about the safe and secure use and potential hazards of the products we manufacture and any associated risks to ensure that our products are handled appropriately at each stage of their life cycles.

Procurement of Raw Materials

Set high expectations for the health, safety, security and environmental performance and social responsibility of suppliers and obtain information related to the safety of procured raw materials from business partners.

Product Development

Develop products that have no risk or minimize the risk of adverse health, safety and environmental impacts throughout their entire life cycles and deliver added value, and retain development information for security.

Production

Protect the health and safety of our employees and the local community by improving production processes and promoting a corporate culture that places the highest priority on human health and safety; and minimize our environmental footprint by avoiding chemical pollution, reducing energy consumption, supporting recycling and ensuring proper disposal of wastes from the products we manufacture, and keep production information for security.

Distribution and Marketing

Provide accurate and detailed information related to product safety and handling to business partners involved in the storage, transport, distribution, marketing and use of our products; and, if necessary, provide additional support to improve product handling practices or suspend sales to a particular entity or for certain uses for safety and security.

Use, Waste and Recycling

Work with our business partners to provide relevant information to ensure safe and secure use and to support the recycling and proper disposal of our products.

These initiatives are in line with the Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM).¹ Along with process safety and disaster prevention, occupational safety and health, environmental conservation, chemical and product safety, and logistics safety, these initiatives are aimed at realizing KAITEKI through risk-based chemicals management across product life cycles.

1 Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management (SAICM): A strategic approach to international chemicals management adopted by the International Conference on Chemicals Management (ICCM) and approved by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in 2006.