About the Nagaoka University of Technology Safety and Health Policy

[Basic Philosophy]

The Nagaoka University of Technology has established the following basic policy to clarify the responsibilities and roles of the University and its students and faculty, establish a safety and health management system, actively promote safety and health activities in its various projects and operations including education and research conducted by the University, prevent industrial equipment-related accidents and other incidents involving students, promote health, and create a comfortable school and work environment.

The Nagaoka University of Technology expresses its commitment to fulfilling its social responsibility as a national university by developing and promoting safety and health management activities throughout the University based on this safety and health policy.

Shigeharu Kamado President, Nagaoka University of Technology

[Basic Policy]

- 1. The University President shall present a plan for safety and health management activities to be conducted by the University each fiscal year, position it as an important task in the management and administration of the University, and continuously implement the plan.
- 2. Those affiliated with the University shall comply with the activities stipulated in safety and health-related laws and regulations, safety and health management policies and other regulations established by the University, and further improve safety and health management techniques.
- 3. The University shall establish standards to prevent hazards and promote the following as measures to ensure compliance with the promotion of such standards.
 - •The University shall monitor the campus to identify hazardous or noxious materials or operations that handle such materials, as well as matters with legally-mandated controls.
 - •The University shall prepare "Work Safety Data Sheets" to establish a management method across all relevant laws and regulations applicable to equipment, facilities, etc., or work that makes use of such.
- 4. The University shall endeavor to maintain the health and safety of its faculty, staff, students, and other affiliated parties, and shall enhance safety and health education and provide ongoing education and guidance to foster a higher awareness of safety and health.
- 5. To implement the safety and health policies listed above, the President delegates responsibility and authority to the Nagaoka University of Technology General Safety and Health Manager.

[Introduction]

In the field of engineering, it is essential to learn new techniques or make new discoveries through experimentation. It is also necessary to avoid the associated hazards and to ensure safety. In March 1980, shortly after the opening of the University, the University published "Safety Guidelines". The first edition of these guidelines was designed to ensure safety in experiments involving chemical substances, and the guidelines for "handling chemicals and high-pressure gases" were compiled, along with safety tips for electricity and machinery, first aid, and other areas.

Since then, the relevant sections have been reviewed according to revisions of related laws and regulations and reorganization of the University, and new necessary content has been included, resulting in successive editions of this publication. Since 2007, the annual edition has been published every fiscal year, and since that year, near-miss cases, on-campus accidents, and corresponding preventive measures have been added to strengthen the control of accidents that may occur during the daily activities of those at the University. In addition, beginning with the 2011 edition, the University's Health and Safety Policy, as announced by the President on April 1, 2010, is included at the beginning of the document.

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The mission and responsibility of the University is to ensure that students can take care of their health and safety not only in their academic programs but also in their daily lives at the University; thus, they may have a fulfilling student experience and leave to enter the greater society having acquired the necessary skills and knowledge. We hope that this guide will be used effectively in the conduct of education and research at the University, and that the number of accidents and disasters will be reduced to zero.

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