# SAFETY DECALS

Danger, warning, and caution labels play an extremely important role in keeping people safe from operational safety hazards. For maximum safety compliance and visibility, the use of ANSI (American National Standards Institute) color codes is recommended.

## ANSI Color Codes

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| **RED** | Fire protection equipment and apparatus, danger signs, containers of flammable liquids, lights at barricades, stop button/switches |
| **ORANGE** | Signs and equipment designating dangerous or energized machines/equipment |
| **YELLOW** | Specific physical hazards (including falling, tripping, and striking) and designating caution (including cabinets, cans and containers for explosives, corrosive or unstable materials) |
| **GREEN** | Safety information and first aid or safety equipment |
| **BLUE** | Information not immediately safety-related (i.e. property policies including safety gear requirements) |
| **PURPLE** | The significance of purple may be defined by the end-user, but purple (or the combination of purple and yellow) has become the de facto standard for radiation hazards. |
| **GRAY BLACK WHITE** or any combo of these and / or Yellow | The significance of these colors may be defined by the end-user |

The current standard ANSI PANTONE Matching System (PMS) Colors as defined by American National Standard for Safety Colors, ANSI Z535.1-2017 are as follows:

## 2017 ANSI SAFETY COLORS
### ANSI Z535.1-2017 Standards

PMS 186   PMS 151   PMS 109

PMS 335   PMS 285   PMS 259

Prior to 2017, ANSI used a different set of PMS color callouts, which were updated to closer meet ISO safety colors. According to ANSI, the original PMS colors referenced on the 2011 Safety Color Chart (ANSI Z535.1-2011) are also acceptable for use as these colors are within safety color tolerances to the 2017 colors. Specification of the 2017 PMS colors is encouraged, as they replace the original PMS colors on the 2011 Safety Color Chart.

## ADDITIONAL ANSI COLORS
### ANSI 2011 Standards are still acceptable

PMS 485   PMS 152   PMS 108   PMS 3415   PMS 2945   PMS 253   PMS 168   PMS 430

*Colors shown on this PDF are for reference only and do not represent true color matching.

For an in-depth guide to designing safety labels (including word selection, header bar design, and more), check out our blog post here: https://go.gographicsoutput.com/blog/safety-labels

## Which ANSI color and header bar signal word should you choose?

Personal injury is not a credible possibility.   **PMS 285**

**NOTICE**
Distinguish an alligator from a crocodile by noticing whether they see you later or in a while.
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Non-serious personal injury is a credible possibility.   **PMS 109**

**⚠CAUTION**
Jellyfish are not made of jelly. Do not put on toast.
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Hazardous situation that could result in death or serious injury.   **PMS 151**

**⚠WARNING**
Some frogs are poisonous. Do not lick them.
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Hazardous situation that WILL result in death or serious injury.   **PMS 186**

**⚠DANGER**
Lions will eat you. Do not pet them.
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