

Chemical fire at Tecumseh prison

(KLZA)-- Nebraska prison officials say a fire resulting from a chemical spill was quickly extinguished Tuesday morning at the state prison in Tecumseh.

No one was injured in the fire that started inside the Tecumseh State Correctional Institution's wood shop.

A news release from the State Department of Correctional Services say the chemical — which was not identified — spilled on the floor, and rags meant to clean up the spill spontaneously combusted.

Department spokeswoman Laura Strimple says the wood shop was evacuated, and ceiling sprinklers extinguished the fire.

Damage from the fire was limited to the rags.

The Nebraska State Fire Marshal's office is investigating.

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