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survivor of the fire and family members. Anyone exposed to the death of a child, will understand the emotional impact of this experience. Imagine being exposed to the death

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Captain/Investigator

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and over 500 commercial or natural products, including such substances as dusts, fuels, lubricants, plastics, and woods." Clandestine lab operators are not the mad scientists whose genius keeps them pent up in the

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laboratory contemplating elaborate formulas and mixing exotic chemicals. In fact, their equipment is usually simple, their chemicals household products, and their education basic. Most of the time the elements at the scene are

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***recommended practices for
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procedures, emergency care,
secure and control persons at
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