



Storing Hazardous Waste for CEGs

How Are They Regulated?

Store hazardous waste and used oil in a manner that does not allow a release to the environment (air, soil, water).

Containers must be stored in an area that meets these standards:

- Hazardous waste and used oil must be stored upon an impervious surface (such as concrete);
- Hazardous waste and used oil containers may be placed outdoors only if they are within a structure that sheds rain and snow;
- Only hazardous wastes not subject to freezing and expansion may be stored outdoors (i.e. do not store used oil and water so that it can freeze).

Containers holding used oil or hazardous waste must be managed as follows:

- The container must remain closed except to add or remove waste;
- The container must be in good condition and chemically compatible with any waste stored therein;
- Do not mix wastes. Incompatible wastes must not be stored in the same container (i.e. do not mix used oil and battery acid);
- Hazardous waste containers must be visibly marked with the words "Hazardous Waste" and other words to identify the contents (i.e. "waste antifreeze" or "waste solvent"). Containers holding used oil must be visibly marked with the words "Used Oil".
- The container must not be opened, handled or stored in a manner which may rupture the container or cause it to leak.
- If a container holding hazardous waste or used oil is not in good condition, or if it begins to leak, the waste must be transferred to a container that is in good condition;
- Containers holding ignitable or reactive waste must be located at least fifty feet (50 ft.) from the property line;
- A storage container/drum holding a hazardous waste that is incompatible with any materials stored nearby must be separated or protected from them by means of a dike, berm, wall, or other device.

NOTE: These storage requirements are for Conditionally Exempt Generators (CEGs). If you are a Small Quantity Generator (SQG) or a Large Quantity Generator (LQG) there are other storage regulations to comply with. Call 1-800-974-9559 for more information.