

University of Hawaii, Community Colleges

Hazardous Waste Management Program





<u>QUIZ TIME</u>

What is the most important action you can take to ensure that you are in compliance with the Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste Regulations?



LABELS





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Safety & Regulatory Websites

1 EHSO WEBSITE: www.hawaii.edu/ehso
2 Environmental Protection Agency: www.epa.gov
3 Hawaii Department of Health: www.state.hi.us/doh
4 HIOSH:

www.state.hi.us/dlir/hiosh



Benefits of Compliance

- Maintain the excellent reputation that UH has in the community.
- Continue to attract students.
- Attract Grants, Endowments & Donations.
- Expansion of programs.
- Bottom Line \$\$\$\$\$

Hazardous Materials, Hazardous Waste and Pollution Regulations





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Universities, Colleges Not Receiving Top Marks for **Environmental Compliance**

EPA Holding Educational Institutions to Same Standards as Industry

C olleges and universities are required to comply with all applicable environmental requirements

About

Enforcement Alert

"Enforcement Alert" is published periodically by the Office of Regulatory Enforcement to inform and educate the public and regulated community of important environmental enforcement issues, recent trends and significant anforcement actions

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like their counterparts in the regulated industry to create a safe haven for human health and the environment

Violating these requirements can be costly. For example, the University of Hawaii recently paid \$1.8 million in civil penalties for violating federal law by poorly managing laboratory waste.

This issue of Enforcement Alert highlights the results of recent inspections by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), and identifies a host of resources, such as EPA's "Audit Policy," which can help universities and colleges stay in compliance with federal environmental requirements. EPA encourages academic institutions to take advantage of the Audit Policy, which establishes a framework for the voluntary disclosure and correction of violations in return for greatly reduced penalties.

Areas of Noncompliance Highlighted

Most academic institutions are similar to small cities and encompass many analogous activities within their campus borders such as operating research laboratories, auto repair facilities, power plants and wastewater treatment plants; disposing of hazardous waste and trash; managing asbestos; supplying drinking water; maintaining grounds; and incinerating wastes. Many universities also operate medical and



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research facilities that create their own set of environmental challenges.

During past inspections of university and college campuses across the nation, EPA Regions have found significant compliance problems with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA); the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) requirements of the Clean Water Act (CWA); Underground Storage Tank management; and the Clean Air Act (CAA).

Specific examples of noncompliance include improperly handling and disposing of hazardous waste materials: boilers and furnaces that do not meet clean air regulations; inadequate monitoring of underground storage tanks; sewage treatment facilities that are not operating properly; and improper abatement of lead-based paint and asbestos.

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University	Fine	Violation			
Yale	\$348,000	HW			
Notre Dame	\$250,000	CAA			
U of Wyoming	\$180,000+	HW			
Stanford	\$1,000,000	HW			
Boston U	\$253,000 +	HW			
	1.8 million SEP				
МІТ	\$150,000+	HW			
	\$400,000 SEP				

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RCRA

Resource Conservation and Recovery Act RCRA encompasses EPA's solid and hazardous waste regulations

"Cradle to grave"- the moment the waste is created until it is finally disposed of





How Do We Comply?

We control waste production and properly manage waste stored on site.

- 1. Control amounts and types of hazardous materials coming onto the site.
- 2. Monitor and control the amount of waste produced.
- 3. Limit the amount of waste produced through reuse and recycling.
- 4. Limit the types of waste produced by using less hazardous or non-hazardous alternative.



RCRA

- Hazardous wastes can be dangerous to human health and the environment
- Know how to safely work with/around the wastes in your workplace and how to handle them safely.

What is a waste?

- You decide to dispose of it, thus if you are still using a material, or plan to reuse it, it is not considered a waste
- Regulated by federal or state agencies





What is a hazardous waste?

A waste with a chemical composition or other properties that make it capable of causing illness, death, or harm to humans and other life forms when mismanaged or released into the environment.

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Steps to determine hazardous waste

• Is it a **solid waste**?

Under RCRA, the term "solid waste" means any waste, whether it is a solid, semisolid, or liquid.

- Is it specifically **excluded** from the RCRA regulations? The waste may still be regulated, but under a different program. For example, industrial wastewater will be regulated under the Clean Water Act.
- Is it a **listed** hazardous waste?
- Does it exhibit a hazardous **characteristics**?

- What is a solid waste? discarded material that is:
 - Abandoned
 - Recycled
 - Considered inherently wastelike
 - A military ammunition





Listed and characteristic waste

Test for hazardous characteristic(s)

Use your basic knowledge, the information described in the regulations, and the information on the SDS of the waste to make a waste characteristic determination.

Generator knowledge

Generators can use knowledge of the process used to generate the waste or 'common knowledge' to determine that the waste is a hazardous. For instance, it is common knowledge that gasoline is ignitable. Generators must keep records of all waste determinations, including any test results, waste analyses, or other documentation.





Listed and characteristic waste

- Ignitability (I): Can create fires under certain conditions.
- Corrosivity (C): Acids or bases capable of corroding metal containers.
- Reactivity (R): Unstable under "normal" conditions. Can cause explosions, toxic fumes, gases, or vapors when heated, compressed, or mixed with water.
- Toxicity (E): Harmful or fatal when ingested or absorbed. When land disposed, contaminated liquid may leach from the waste and pollute ground water.

Waste Handlers

Hazardous Waste Generators

A facility owner, operator, or person who first c reates a hazardous waste is subject to state or federal regulations.

Transporters

Transportation includes air, rail, highway, or water. Transporters of hazardous wastes are hazmat employees who need or have received proper training.

Treatment, storage, and disposal facilities (TSDFs)

The term TSDF groups treatment, storage, and disposal facilities together, but in reality, there are many other combinations of the three.



Waste Containers

- Waste in the hazardous waste storage areas must be marked with the date the waste began accumulating (the first drop) and labeled "Hazardous Waste" or must contain the contents of the waste
- Containers must be kept closed and secured except when adding or removing waste





Hazardous Waste Management

Central Accumulation Areas

- The main hazardous waste storage area, sometimes called the '90-day' or '180-day' area
 - Leave enough aisle space between containers to allow firefighters, emergency responders, fire protection equipment, or spill control equipment to move easily between them in an emergency.





Hazardous Waste Management

Container management

- Good condition, no leaks
- Waste compatibility
- Keep containers closed!
- Handle with care
- Store ignitable or reactive wastes at least 15 meters from property line
- Inspect containers for leaks once per week



Hazardous Waste Management

If waste is ignitable or reactive:

- Take special precautions
- "NO SMOKING"
- Avoid mixing
- Appropriate container
- Avoid heat-producing reactions





Employee Safety

Job-specific training

Employees must be trained to work safely around and with the waste they may come into contact with on the job. OSHA requires training to be function/job specific. This means employees must know how to protect themselves from the specific wastes at their facility.

Proper PPE

Training includes learning about job specific personal protective equipment (PPE). Consult the SDS on the required protective measures for individual chemicals/wastes.





Hazardous Materials and Waste Plan

HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE

UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII



Hazardous Materials/ Hazardous Waste Management Program



The UHCC Programs Hazardous Materials and Waste Plan

- The program outlines the basic requirements for the management of hazardous materials and the disposal of hazardous waste at UH Community College (UHCC).
- These requirements are based on the federal, state and county regulations.
- Failure to comply with these requirements may subject UHCC and/or individuals to fines and civil or criminal prosecution.
- Additionally, proper management of hazardous materials reduces disposal costs and ensures that UHCC are a safe and protective environment for Faculty, Staff and visitors.



Generation and Accumulation of Wastes

UHCC's waste generator status is defined by EPA and Hawaii DOH regulations as a

Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG)

of Hazardous Waste.



Limits on Waste Generation

To maintain the status of VSQG, **UHCC** <u>may not</u> generate more than,

100 kilograms

of hazardous waste per month,

and

1 kilogram

of acute hazardous waste in one month

(P-Coded)



Limits on Waste Accumulation

To maintain CESQG status UHCC <u>may not</u> store more than,

1000 kilograms

of total accumulated hazardous waste,

and no more than

1 kilogram

of accumulated acute hazardous waste <u>at any time!</u>.



Storage of Hazardous Waste

Labeling

- All hazardous waste containers must be labeled with the yellow "<u>HAZARDOUS</u> <u>Waste Tag</u>".
- Mixtures: The percentage of each Major Chemical Constituent must be on the label.



Examples of Proper Labels





Chemical Waste Label





Waste Containers

<u>Closed Containers</u>. All hazardous waste containers must remain closed except when waste is being added to them.

Containers in Good Condition:

Containers used for waste must be in good condition and compatible with the waste.





Secondary Containment

- Secondary containment is required for all hazardous waste containers.
- Secondary Containment is required for all chemical containers stored on the floor, near a drain, or in the fume hood.
- Plastic pans and tubs are acceptable.



Quick Guide for Chemical Storage by Compatibility





<u>Unknowns</u>



Unknowns pose a very serious risk. Assume that all unknowns are extremely dangerous and take appropriate actions.



Contact EHSO ASAP. EHSO will analyze the unknown.



Other Regulated Waste

Universal waste 40 CFR 273

- Batteries
- Lamps (Compact fluorescent light bulbs)
- Mercury-containing equipment (thermostats, switches)
- Pesticides (certain recalled or unused)

*Contact EH&S for proper disposal



Specific Information on the Disposal of Various Materials/Waste

BATTERIES

- BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS
- CONTROLED SUBSTANCES
- COMPRESSED GASES
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT BALLASTS
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT TUBES
- HAZARDOUS CHEMICALS AND HAZARDOUS WASTE



<u>Specific Information on the Disposal</u> of Various Materials/Waste

MERCURY

- MIXED WASTE
- NON-HAZARDOUS WASTE
- OILS AND TRANSFORMER FLUID
- PAINT WASTE
- PHOTOGRAPHIC CHEMICALS
- RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS
- SHARPS AND GLASSWARE



Drain Disposal Restrictions

TABLE 2: Drain Disposal Restrictions

Ethidium Bromide Solutions: <0.01% by weight and < 2 quarts per day per laboratory.

Phosphate Buffer Solutions: <10% by weight and < 1 quart per day per laboratory

Salt Solutions: <10% by weight (sodium, potassium, lithium, ammonium: chlorides, carbonates, phosphates, sulfates, or acetates) < 2 quarts per day per laboratory.

Dyes or Stains: Small amounts of from slides as part of laboratory experiments.

Alcohol Solutions (methyl, ethyl, isopropyl only): < 10% by volume and < 1 quart per day per laboratory.

Dilute formaldehyde Solutions: < 3% by weight and < 1 quart per day per laboratory.

Sugar Solutions: < 10% by weight and <2 quarts per day per laboratory

Amino Acids and their Salts in solution: <10% by weight and <2 quarts per day per laboratory.

Citric and Lactic Acids and their Salts in solution: <10% by weight and <1 quart per day per laboratory.



Other regulated waste

Universal wastes

- Keep in closed containers
- Mark the accumulation date
- Store up to one year

Designated Program Coordinators

- The Vice Chancellors of Administrative Services (VCAS) is responsible for overall management of this plan at UHCC.
- Individual Department Directors and faculty are designated as responsible for implementation and enforcement of this program in their respective departments.
- All UHCC Staff will comply with all applicable environmental health and safety laws and regulations.



UHCC Hazardous Material Management Strategy

- **1. Authorization to Purchase Form**
- 2. Approval to Use Hazardous Materials in Research and Grants
- 3. Semi-Annual Inventory Form
- 4. Annual Waste Inventory form
- 5. Audit Program.



Procurement Authorization Form

HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE - UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I PROCUREMENT AUTHORIZATION FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

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An approved (signed) copy of this form must accompany any request, purchase order or requisition for the procurement of all hazardous materials.

NAME:

(Instructor/Program Coordinator)

 DEPARTMENT:
 PHONE NO., EXT.:

 LOCATION:
 PURCHASE ORDER NO.:

Chemical Name	S/L/G	Amount (gallon, lbs)	Usage Plan	Estimated Usage Period

Instructor/Program Coordinator		DATE:
	(Signature)	
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PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO: Director of Administrative Services (DOAS).

FOR DOAS USE ONLY

DOAS APPROVAL: _____ DATE:

APPROVAL NO.:



Semi-Annual Chemical Inventory Form

College

SAMPLE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I Community College HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL INVENTORY FORM (SEMI - ANNUAL)

This form assists University of Hawaii with proper management of our hazardous material and hazardous waste and to ensure that materials are safely stored and handled. You should provide a complete inventory of all stored hazardous materials. If additional space is needed, you may use an attached sheet using the same format. If at a later date you obtain materials not previously listed, please submit an amended form.

I. PRODUCT NAME	II. CHEMICAL NAME	Primary Hazard Warning	Physical State (solid, liquid or solution)	Container Size	Amount (gal, lb)s	Qty
Acetic Acid, Glacial		Flammable	Liquid	1 gal	1 gal	5
Enamel Paint	Naphtha ether, mineral spirit	Flammable	Liquid	1 gal	1 gal	10
Carter's Rubber Cement	Naphtha, Hexane, Propyl alcohol	Flammable	Liquid	4 oz	4 oz	48

INSTRUCTOR/PROGRAM COORDINATOR:

Dr. George Bush (Printed Name)

Date:

PHONE NO.: x7777 LOCATION: Science Bldg, Rm 205

(Signature)

PLEASE SEND THE COMPLETED FORM TO: Director of Administrative Services. The DOAS may be contacted if you have any questions.

Annual Waste Inventory Form

College

SAMPLE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I **Community College** HAZARDOUS WASTE INVENTORY FORM (ANNUAL)

This form assists Hawaii Community College with proper management of our hazardous waste. If you have any hazardous or non-hazardous waste being stored for disposal, please provide the information requested. If additional space is needed, you may use an attached sheet using the same format. If at a later date you generate wastes not previously listed, please submit an amended form. EHSO will complete columns 8 and 9, DOT Class and EPA Waste Code.

Chemical Name/Product (Chemical constituents)	Physical State (solid, liquid or solution)	Amount (gal, lbs)	Container Size	Container Type	Hazard Category	pH)	DOT Class (EHSO only)	EPA Waste Code (EHSO only)
Solvent waste—Acetone 5%, methanol 20%, mineral spirits50%, water 20%	Liquid	55 gal	55 gal	Drum metal	flam	N/A		
Spray paint—mineral spirit	Liquid under pressure	8 oz	16 oz	Metal	Flam	N/A		
Acid solution-hydrochloric acid 45%,, sulfuric acid	Liquid	4 liter	4 liter	Glass	corr	1		and March
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INSTUCTOR/PROGRAM COORDINATOR:

Dr. George Bush (Printed Name)

Date:

PHONE NO.: x7555 LOCATION: Science bldg rm 205

(Signature)

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AUDIT PROGRAM

- Primary purpose is to assist in maintaining Laboratories and Facilities that are safe for all staff and protective of the environment.
- Secondary purpose is to ensure that the facility is in compliance with all health and safety regulations.
- EHSO will perform periodic visits to review implementation of applicable safety, health and environmental policies and requirements.



AUDITING PROGRAM





AFTER THE AUDIT



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Audit Program

- Use of Personal Protective Equipment
- Showers and Eyewashes
- Ventilation Hoods
- Hazardous Material Storage.
- Hazardous and acutely hazardous waste accumulation.
- Material Safety Data Sheet availability.
- Hazardous waste accumulation areas.
- Emergency plans.



Emergency Response

Employees must not respond to an emergency unless they are properly trained to do so; you must be trained in emergency procedures. Employees need to know the location and function of any and all emergency equipment they will be expected to use.





Summary

Hazardous waste training

- Facility/Waste/Job specific
- Know your role in an emergency



