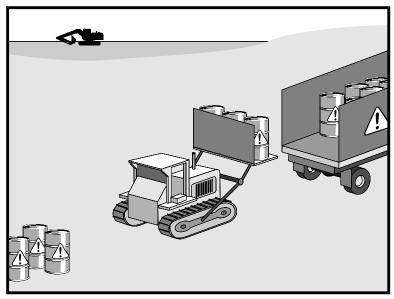
Hazardous Waste Management

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Source: Caltrans Construction Site Best Management Practices Manual, 2003.

Description

Practices and procedures to prevent or reduce the discharge of hazardous waste to the land, storm drain system, or adjacent water bodies.

Applications

Handling procedures on construction sites involving one of the following hazardous wastes:

- Paints and solvents;
- Petroleum products such as oils, fuels, and grease;
- Herbicides:
- Acids for cleaning masonry;
- Concrete curing and repair compounds; and
- Contaminated waste material.

Hazardous waste management shall also be implemented for wastes from existing structures including:

- Sandblasted material such as grit or chips containing lead, cadmium, or chromium-based paints;
- Asbestos; and
- Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs). Older transformers are a common source of PCBs.

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Installation and Implementation Requirements

Recognize potentially hazardous waste by implementing the following:

- Review product label and shipping papers;
- Identify key words such as flammable or ignitable (able to catch fire); carcinogenic (causes cancer); toxic or poisonous (injures or harms people or animals); and hazardous, danger, caustic or corrosive (burns through chemical action). Hawaii Administrative Rules (HAR) Title 11, Chapter 261 includes a list of hazardous waste and criteria;
- Review material safety data sheets (MSDS) from the manufacturer and supplier of the product; and
- Contact DOH, Hazardous Waste Program Office at 586-4226 for additional questions and information.

Material use practices and procedures for hazardous waste management include the following:

- Dispose container only after all of the product has been used;
- Keep the original product label on the container since it includes important safety and disposal information;
- Restrict amount of herbicide prepared to quantity necessary for the current application. Comply with the recommended usage instructions. Do not apply herbicides during or just before a rain event; and
- Remove as much paint from brushes on painted surface. Avoid cleaning or rinsing water-based paint brushes in soil, streets, gutters, storm drains, or streams. Rinse from water-based paints shall be discharged into the sanitary sewer system. Filter and re-use solvents and thinners. Dispose of oil-based paints and residue as a hazardous waste.

Waste recycling and disposal practices and procedures for hazardous waste management include the following:

- Designate areas for collection of hazardous wastes;
- Store hazardous materials and wastes in covered containers;
- Provide secondary containment for hazardous waste containers;
- Keep wastes separate to prevent chemical reactions which make recycling and disposal difficult;
- Recycle useful materials such as oil or water-based paint;
- Avoid disposal of toxic liquid wastes (solvents, used oils, and paints) or chemicals (additives, acids, and curing compounds) in dumpsters allocated for construction debris;
- Schedule periodic waste collection to prevent overflow of containers; and
- Ensure collection, removal, and disposal of hazardous waste complies with regulations.

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Installation and Implementation Requirements (Continued)

Hazardous waste management training shall include the following:

- Awareness of potential dangers from hazardous wastes;
- Identifying hazardous wastes;
- Proper hazardous waste storage and disposal procedures;
- Safety procedures for hazardous wastes;
- Placement of warning signs in areas recently treated with chemicals;
- Use of cleanup materials for spills;

Limitations

Hazardous waste that cannot be reused or recycled shall be disposed of by a licensed hazardous waste hauler.

Inspections and Maintenance

- Regularly inspect hazardous waste collection and storage areas and containers.
- Schedule hazardous waste collection regularly.