## Hazardous Waste Compliance Self-Assessment

Large Quantity Generators

Use this self-assessment to help your organization follow hazardous waste requirements. Consider doing a self-assessment once a month. Self-assessments are recommended, but not required.

A self-assessment is a great starting point to maintain compliance. Your inspector may assess additional aspects during a routine inspection depending on your organization's situation, license type, waste types, etc. according to <a href="Minnesota Rules Chapter 7045">Minnesota Rules Chapter 7045</a> and the <a href="Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management">Ramsey County Hazardous Waste Management</a> Ordinance.

Some items below may not pertain to your organization. Contact your inspector or call 651-266-1199 with questions.

Person filling out assessment:	Today's Date:				
General	Corrective actions				
Did the name, location, or ownership of the business change? If yes, contact Ramsey County to update your license.	□ Yes	□ No			
Is your hazardous waste generator license posted onsite in a public area?	☐ Yes	□ No			
Hazardous waste storage	Corrective actions				
Are all hazardous waste containers closed?	☐ Yes	□ No			
Are all hazardous waste containers properly labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste", a description of the waste, and an accumulation start date? Accumulation start dates are not required for satellite containers.	□ Yes	□ No			
Are all hazardous waste containers in good condition, compatible with the waste, and not leaking?	□ Yes	□ No			
Do you conduct weekly container inspections* and keep records for at least three years?  Hazardous waste containers must be inspected weekly for leaks, deterioration, labeling and closure. Keep records of inspections, including issues found, for at least three years. *Weekly container inspections are not required for satellite containers.	☐ Yes	□ No			
Are all satellite containers in the immediate working area and under direct visual and physical control? If not, move them to an appropriate location OR manage them as permanent (i.e., regular hazardous waste) storage.	□ Yes	□ No			
Do you ensure hazardous waste (any amount) is stored onsite for no more than 90 days from the accumulation start date?	□ Yes	□ No			
(Outdoor storage) Are liquids on a curbed impermeable surface that can contain leaks?	☐ Yes	□ No			
(Outdoor storage) Are ignitable wastes shaded?	☐ Yes	□ No			
(Outdoor storage) Are containers protected from moisture, unauthorized entry and damage?	☐ Yes	□ No			

Hazardous waste disposal documentation					Corrective actions	
Do you keep manifests (paper or electronic) onsite for at least three years?		Yes		No		
Do you make sure manifests are properly completed? (i.e., correct hazardous waste ID,		Voc		No		
description of wastes, hazardous waste codes, generator contact information, etc.)		□ Yes	Ш	] No		
Do you make sure you have the Designated Facility to Generator ("three signature") copy of						
each manifest onsite? You should receive a three-signature copy within 40 days of your waste		Yes		No		
arriving at the designated facility. If not, you are responsible for contacting the facility.	1					
Used oil and related waste					Corrective actions	
Are containers and tanks of used oil and related wastes in good condition and closed?		Yes		No		
Are containers and tanks labeled with the words "Used Oil", "Used Oil Filters", or "Used oil sorbents"?		Yes		No		
Do you keep disposal documentation (paper or electronic) for used oil and related waste onsite for at least three years?		Yes		No		
If you burn used oil for heat, do you keep track of how much you burn?		Yes		No		
New wastes					Corrective actions	
Have you evaluated newly generated wastes to determine if they are hazardous or non-hazardous? If no, assume the new waste is hazardous, and treat it as such. You have 60 days after generating a new waste to evaluate it. Keep evaluation records and/or test results.		Yes		No		
Universal wastes: Types listed here				Corrective actions		
Are all universal waste containers closed?		Yes		No		
Are all universal waste containers properly labeled? Acceptable labels:  1) Universal Waste: [type] 2) Waste: [type] 3) Used: [type]		Yes		No		
Do you keep disposal documentation (paper or electronic) for universal waste onsite for at least three years?		Yes		No		
Emergency preparedness					Corrective actions	
Is there adequate aisle space near hazardous waste containers? This means a container can be accessed with appropriate emergency equipment without moving other items.		Yes		No		
Do you have a way to notify onsite staff of a hazardous waste emergency? Examples include intercom, public address (PA) system, fire alarm or human voice.		Yes		No		
Do onsite staff have a way to request help during a hazardous waste emergency? Examples include handheld radio, cell phone, alarm call buttons, buddy system or human voice.		Yes		No		
Do staff have access to phones to contact local emergency response agencies?		Yes		No		
Do you have fire protection equipment appropriate to your wastes available onsite?		Yes		No		

Do you have spill control equipment (PPE, sorbents, etc.) appropriate to your wastes available onsite?	□ Yes	□ No	
Do you have decontamination equipment (eye wash stations, showers, sinks, etc.) appropriate to your wastes available onsite?	□ Yes	□ No	
Do you maintain and test all emergency equipment?	☐ Yes	□ No	
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Do you always have a designated emergency coordinator available? The emergency coordinator is responsible for coordinating all emergency response measures and must be available onsite or able to reach the premises quickly.	□ Yes	□ No	
Do you have a contingency plan? The plan must be designed to minimize hazards to human health or the environment from fires, explosions or any unplanned release of hazardous waste to air, land or water. It should include: (1) contact information for emergency coordinator(s), (2) a list of all emergency equipment, their uses and locations, (3) evacuation procedures, and (4) response actions.	□ Yes	□ No	
Have you shared your contingency plan with each local emergency response authority referenced in your plan? <i>Document attempts to share your plan</i> .	□ Yes	□ No	
Are personnel with hazardous waste duties trained annually and records kept? <i>Train employees within six months of starting hazardous waste responsibilities. General hazardous waste training alone is insufficient. Additional, site-specific training is needed. Keep documentation. Annual training is required.</i>	□ Yes	□ No	
Notes			

## **Additional Resources**

- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency <u>fact sheets</u> on hazardous waste management.
- Ramsey County's <u>online hazardous waste training</u>, available anytime.
- Sample <u>weekly container inspection template</u>.