

Small Business Hazardous Waste Service

Business Service Description

A business, organization or agency that generates small amounts of hazardous waste or Universal Waste in Alameda County may save money and receive documentation of proper waste disposal by using **Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Small Business Hazardous Waste Service (Business Service)**. The Business Service provides an alternative to using a hazardous waste transporter and shipping waste using hazardous waste manifest.

To use the Business Service you need to:

- Qualify as a Very Small Quantity Generator, have an EPA ID number for the site of generation
- Submit an application to the HHW office, have account number and waste types approved before delivery
- Call the HHW office at 800-606-6606 to make an appointment for each waste delivery. Deliver waste on days and times separate from when a resident may deliver waste from their home
- Follow the guidance below for safe waste packing and transport. Deliver no more than the amounts allowed. HHW facilities accept waste in containers up to 5 gallons in size or 50 pounds in weight.
- Pay at time of delivery by Visa or Mastercard, cash or check. The receipt a business receives when delivering waste to the Business Service serves as record of payment and of proper waste disposal.

If you are a Residential Property Owner or Landlord see: www.StopWaste.org/residential-landlord-service

If your business ONLY needs to dispose of Latex Paint, Lamps, Batteries or Aerosol Cans you may use the “Business Drop-In Service”. For instructions see: www.stopwaste.org/business-drop-in or call: 800-606-6606. There’s no need for an application or appointment. Business Drop-In deliveries are accepted only during the days and hours the HHW facility is open for the Business Service, not at times when a resident may deliver waste from their home.

A hazardous waste generator must comply with local and State requirements for safety and environmental protection. The receipt from the Business Service serves as record of waste disposal for reporting, tax filing and inspections.

For local requirements see: <https://deh.acgov.org/hazmat/cupa-program> or your city’s CUPA program.

For CA State requirements summary see: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/hazardous-waste-generator-requirements-fact-sheet/>

Who Can Use the Business Service?

The Business Service accepts hazardous waste generated in Alameda County from businesses and organizations including builders, non-profit groups, government agencies, businesses in a home, R&D companies, commercial property landlords. To use the Business Service each business site must qualify as a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) of hazardous waste. Limits on amounts of waste produced to qualify as a VSQG:

- Generate less than 220 lbs. (about 27 gallons) of hazardous waste in a month, and less than 2.2 lb. of Extremely Hazardous Waste in a month
- Have less than 2200 lbs. of hazardous waste in storage at any time

What’s NOT counted toward the VSQG limits: Latex paint and Universal Waste aerosol cans, household-type batteries and lamps **are not subject to** the monthly 220 lb. delivery and 2200 lb. in-storage limits.

A management contractor or hauler CANNOT apply to use the Business Services or deliver waste on behalf of another business, organization or agency.

For summary of regulatory requirements: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/hazardous-waste-generator-requirements-fact-sheet/>

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How to Start

If your business has hazardous waste, you need a California Environmental Protection Agency generator ID number.

To get an EPA ID Number for a generation location or to re-activate an EPA ID number visit the California EPA DTSC website: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/apply-for-hazardous-waste-epa-id-number/>

Check if you already have an active EPA ID Number for the generation location: <https://hwts.dtsc.ca.gov/>

If you do not use a computer, you may get a temporary EPA ID number by calling: 800-618-6942

An EPA ID number is not required if your facility will dispose of ONLY Latex paint and/or Universal Waste

Complete & Submit Application Forms, Receive Approval Notification

Complete the **Information Form**, **Inventory Form** and **Certification Form** below for each generator location. The Certification Form is a legal document attesting that the site meets the criteria of a Very Small Quantity Generator.

Submit completed forms by **e-mail to:** HHW@acgov.org or **fax to:** 510-293-9374

or **mail to:** Alameda County HHW VSQG, 1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, M/S 51701, Alameda, CA 94502-6540

The HHW program will review application forms, will resolve any questions, and will send a letter with confirmation and account number to those eligible to participate in the program.

What Can I Deliver?

A list of typical waste types accepted is below. List each waste type you need to dispose of on the **Inventory Form**. Each waste type will be reviewed and approved by the HHW staff before acceptance. Submit an **Inventory Form** for approval each time new waste type(s) need disposal or if there are changes to waste ingredients or generating process. The HHW service is not able to accept all types of chemicals or waste. HHW staff may contact you if more information is needed.

If a waste type listed on the **Inventory Form** is:

- Not available to the general public, is a laboratory, industrial or uncommon product: **Send a Safety Data Sheet**
- A mixture, by-product produced by manufacturing or other process: **list the chemical ingredients, their concentrations and describe the process generating on the Inventory Form**
- A contaminated material such as rags, filter media, wipes, etc.: **list name and approximate concentration of each hazardous constituent**

Call the HHW office with questions. See below for limits on amounts and requirements for containers and transport.

Waste That is NOT Accepted

The Business Service does not accept the following waste types from a business:

- **Electronic Waste, appliances, furniture, trash or solid waste**
- **Compressed gas cylinders - except for propane for camping or BBQ**
- **Fire extinguishers**
- **Medications, drugs, sharps or other Medical Waste, sewerage**
- **Explosive, radioactive or unstable materials, or waste with multiple or extreme hazards**
- **Construction materials: including Treated Wood Waste or asbestos-containing waste**
- **Contaminated soil or debris** from site clean-up, demolition or lead paint removal
- **Unidentified waste:** the HHW program will not accept unknown materials, including wastes or chemicals lacking labels or other identification.

For options for some items and for hazardous waste management companies see: <https://resource.stopwaste.org/>

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Call to Make an Appointment

After your application is approved and you receive an account number:

Call 800-606-6606 to schedule an appointment – give the account number when calling

The HHW facilities accept hazardous waste from a business on different days than when a resident may drop off waste from their household – a business cannot deliver waste on days a HHW facility is open for residents.

No appointments are made on-line, no delivery is accepted without an appointment.

Limits on Waste Amounts and Container Sizes

The maximum amount you may deliver per delivery and per month: 220 pounds of hazardous waste and 2.2 pounds of extremely hazardous waste, see waste types accepted below for what is counted toward the 220 pound limit.

Monthly weight limits do not apply to latex paint, lamps, household type batteries or aerosol cans. If delivering latex paint, lamps, aerosols or batteries, deliver no more than 1000 pounds total per trip.

No container or item may be over 5 gallons size or weigh over 50 pounds.

Safe Waste Containers and Transport

- **A business must transport its own waste.** An employee of the waste generator must deliver waste. A contractor or for-hire hauler **cannot** deliver for another business.
- **Transport waste in containers that:** prevent leaks or breakage, are securely closed and in good condition with no hazardous residue on the outside of the container.
- **Each waste container must be** impervious to, and not damaged by, the waste contents. Pack waste with liquid or volatile ingredients in a hermetically sealed container. A dry solid waste with non-volatile ingredients may be packed in thick, sealed plastic bag up to 5 gallons in size. Pack sharp-edged or breakable waste in a rigid puncture-resistant container.
- **Battery packaging:** insulate terminals of all lithium, lithium-ion and lead/acid batteries, and any other battery over 9 volts capacity. Pack battery types separate. Pack damaged, defective or recalled lithium-ion batteries up to 300Wh each in a bag in non-combustible container separated by layers of non-combustible sorbent.
- **Do not mix waste types** in the same container, prevent incompatible chemicals from mixing.
- **Mark each container** with the contents, cross out or remove any incorrect label.
- **Pack, load and brace containers in vehicle** to prevent movement, breakage, damage or spill or waste mixing during transport.
- **HHW staff will unload waste.** When delivering remain in the vehicle unless asked to step out. Pack waste to be easily accessible to HHW staff, not in passenger area. The HHW site will keep containers.

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Waste Types Accepted and Costs

HAZARDOUS WASTES – limit 220 pounds per delivery/month
PaintCare Eligible Paint: Oil & Non-Latex: stain, varnish, deck coating, floor paint (including elastomeric), primer, sealer, undercoat, shellac, lacquer, varnish, single component urethane & epoxy, waterproofing, field & lawn paints, concrete/masonry/wood and repellents (no tar or bitumen-based), metal coatings, rust preventative - cost: \$ 0.10 per pound
Non-PaintCare Paint and Paint Related Materials: (Oil and Latex) OEM & vehicle paint, paint sludge & colorant & pigments, roofing tar, adhesive, ink, joint compound, other paint related and petroleum-based products in containers under 1 gallon - cost: \$ 1.00 per pound
Flammable or combustible liquids: thinner, solvents, detergent, hydraulic oils, contaminated or mixed oil (non-PCB), containers one gallon and larger, 100% free flowing liquid - cost: \$ 0.55 per pound
Chemicals, other than Toxic/Poison: acid, base, oxidizer, salts, photo chemicals, cleaning products, pool or spa chemicals, bleach, laboratory chemicals, small containers & non-pourable flammable & other liquids - cost: \$ 2.40 per pound
Poison and Toxic materials: Liquid or solid pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, other toxic products - cost: \$ 3.20 per pound
Lead Paint Chips, Contaminated Soil/Sorbents: suitable for Hazardous Waste landfill - cost: \$ 1.80 per pound
Lamp Ballasts: Magnetic transformer type under 15 lbs. (PCB and non-PCB) - cost: \$ 1.00 per pound
Antifreeze: containers one quart or larger - cost: \$ 0.35 per pound
Photo Chemical liquids: developer, fixer and stop bath, containers 1 gallon or larger - cost: \$ 0.70 per pound
Motor Oil or Lubricating Oil: containers one quart or larger - cost: \$ 0.20 per pound
Oil Filters: - cost: \$ 2.00 per pound
Flammable Solids, Fuel filters: Solids containing gasoline or other volatile organics, other contaminated soil, sorbents or, media requiring incineration - cost: \$ 3.50 per pound
Mercury: Broken lamps, mercury articles, mercury batteries, cleanup debris in a sealed puncture-proof container - cost: \$ 18.00 per pound
Propane cannisters: small camping-type cannisters, MAAP, butane and “Gaz”, up to 1 pound capacity - cost: \$ 2.50 per pound
Propane cylinders: gas grill type, no vehicle tanks or resident types – up to 20 lb. capacity. Estimated weight: 20 Lb. ea. - cost: \$ 12.50 each
Battery: Lead-Acid with liquid electrolyte from motor vehicle, boat, engine, all terminals insulated. Est. weight: 30 Lb. ea. - cost: \$ 5.00 each
UNIVERSAL WASTES – not subject to 220 pound per delivery/month limit
Aerosol Cans: up to 16.4 oz. - cost: \$ 1.80 per pound
Batteries: Alkaline, Carbon zinc, Nickel Cadmium and Nickel Metal Hydride - terminals insulated if over 9 volts, no liquid electrolyte
Batteries: Lithium, Lithium ion - all terminals insulated, max. 300 Wh, NO motive power, BESS batteries
Batteries: Sealed Lead Acid - terminals insulated, no liquid electrolyte, max. 40AH, 11 pounds - cost: \$ 0.80 per pound
Damaged, defective, recalled (DDR) Lithium-on Batteries: punctured, crushed, swollen lithium-ion packs $\leq 300Wh$ Each battery bagged, terminals insulated, layered in non-combustible absorbent, in non-combustible container - cost: \$ 15.00 per pound
Fluorescent and LED lamps, intact: Straight tube lamps, ≥ 2 ft. - cost: \$ 2.00 per pound
Fluorescent and LED Lamps, intact: Compact Fluorescent & LED lamps, D tubes, U tubes, small tubes, & misc. lamps - cost: \$ 3.00 per pound
HID Lamps, intact: Mercury Vapor, Sodium Vapor, headlight, arc, UV, Metal Halide - cost: \$ 4.00 per pound
LATEX PAINT – not subject to 220 pound per delivery/month limit
Latex Paint: water-based architectural paint - cost: \$ 0.10 per pound

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INFORMATION FORM

Please print legibly or type

Generator name (same as for EPA ID #): _____

Generator street address, city and Zip code: _____

Generator's EPA ID number (not necessary for a business delivering only latex paint or Universal Waste) _____

Generator SIC Code/ business or contractor's license number: _____

Business name (if different from Generator name): _____

Mailing address, city, state and Zip code: _____

Owner or principal officer name and title: _____

Owner or principal phone number (s): _____

Owner or principal Email: _____

Contact name and title: _____

Contact Phone number(s): _____

Contact Email: _____

For HHW Office Use Only				
Reviewed By:	Date:		Entered By:	Date:
Customer number assigned:		Rejected <input type="checkbox"/>	Confirmation sent:	
Service type (s):				
Inventory each delivery? <input type="checkbox"/>		Reason rejected		

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CERTIFICATION FORM

Alameda County Household Hazardous Waste Services

CERTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR BUSINESSES QUALIFYING AS A

VERY SMALL QUANTITY GENERATOR

I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the definition of a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG), as set forth in the California Health and Safety Code Section 25218.1, and that the business listed below qualifies as a VSQG.

I understand that the business listed below may participate in this program only so long as it qualifies as a Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG), and I will be asked to confirm this each time I tender wastes for disposal.

Business Name:

EPA ID #:

Street Address:

City:

Zip:

Telephone number:

Name:

Title:

Signature:

Date: