

Requirements for VERY SMALL QUANTITY GENERATORS (VSQGs)

If you generate no more than 220 lb of hazardous waste and no more than 2.2 lb of acute hazardous waste per calendar month, you are a VSQG



Determine which generated wastes at your facility are classified as hazardous waste. Keep records of any waste analysis for 3 years.



You may not store more than 2,200 lb of hazardous waste or 2.2 lbs of acute hazardous waste on site at any time.

For a typical liquid, 220 lb equals about half of a 55-gallon drum.



Dispose of hazardous waste only at a legitimate recycling facility, a permitted transfer, storage, or disposal facility (TSDF), or a Class II landfill (ensure the waste is in a solid state and you have the landfill operator's permission)



BEST PRACTICE

Clearly mark each container with its contents. Keep containers closed and in good condition.



(406) 444-5300, Ask for hazardous waste compliance assistance



WASTE CONSOLIDATION FROM VSQGs

If you are a VSQG that is part of a larger company, you may consolidate your VSQG hazardous waste at an Large Quantity Generator (LQG) within your company. See the DEQ VSQG Consolidation Fact Sheet for more information.

SAFE MANAGEMENT OF RECALLED AIRBAGS

EPA has implemented an interim-final rule, which provides a conditional exemption from the hazardous waste requirements for entities that remove airbag modules and inflators from automobiles. Visit https://epa.gov/hw/interim-final-fule-safe-management-recalled-airbags for more information.

MANAGEMENT OF HAZARDOUS WASTE PHARMACEUTICALS

The pharmaceuticals rule updates the way hazardous waste pharmaceuticals are managed, including banning all sewering of hazardous waste pharmaceuticals, modifying the listing for nicotine waste (P075), and providing expanded options for managing waste pharmaceuticals. See the DEQ Pharmaceutical Rule Fact Sheet for more information.

For more information on hazardous waste determinations, categories, compliance, and fact sheets, visit

https://deq.mt.gov/twr/Programs/hazmat