

SOURCE CODES

Source codes describe the type of process or activity (i.e., source) from which a hazardous waste was generated. Review the groups and pick the appropriate code.

Waste	Wastes From On-Going Production and Service Processes: Waste from general day to day manufacturing,	
production, or maintenance activities		
Code	Source Code Description	
G01	Dip, flush or spray rinsing (using solvents to clean or prepare parts or assemblies for further	
	processing – i.e., painting or assembly)	
G02	Stripping and acid or caustic cleaning (using caustics to remove coatings or layers from parts or	
	assemblies)	
G03	Plating and phosphating (electro or non-electroplating or phosphating)	
G04	Etching (using caustics or other methods to remove layers or partial layers)	
G05	Metal forming and treatment (pickling, heat treating, punching, bending, annealing, grinding,	
	hardening, etc.)	
G06	Painting and coating (manufacturing, building, or maintenance)	
G07	Product and by-product processing (direct flow of wastes from chemical manufacturing or processing,	
	etc.)	
G08	Removal of spent process liquids or catalysts (bulk removal of wastes from chemical manufacturing or	
	processing, etc.)	
G09	Other production or service-related processes from which the waste is a direct outflow or result	
	(specify in comments)	

Waste	Wastes From Other Intermittent Events of Processes	
Code	Source Code Description	
G11	Discarding off-specification, out-of-date, and/or unused chemicals or products	
G12	Lagoon or sediment dragout and leachate collection (large scale operations in open pits, ponds, or lagoons)	
G13	Cleaning out process equipment (periodic sludge or residual removal from enclosed processes including internal scrubbing or cleaning)	
G14	Removal of tank sludge, sediments, or slag (periodic sludge or residual removal from storage tanks including internal scrubbing or cleaning)	
G15	Process equipment change-out or discontinuation of equipment use (final materials and residuals removal including cleaning)	
G16	Oil changes and filter or battery replacement (automotive, machinery, etc.)	
G17	Subpart K laboratory waste clean-out (facility must have opted into the Subpart K rule to use this source code)	
G19	Other one-time or intermittent processes (specify in comments)	

Residu	Residuals From Pollution Control and Waste Management Processes	
Code	Source Code Description	
G21	Air pollution control devices (e.g., baghouse dust ash, etc. from stack scrubbers or precipitators; vapor	
	collection, etc.)	
G22	Laboratory analytical wastes (e.g., used chemicals from laboratory operations)	

G23	Wastewater treatment (e.g., sludge, filter cake, etc., including wastes from treatment before
	discharge by NPDES or POTW or by UIC disposal)
G24	Solvent or product distillation as part of a production process (including totally enclosed treatment
	systems). Does not include batch treatment in a separate process
G25	Treatment, disposal, or recycling of hazardous wastes – report a management method code, e.g.,
	indicated in Item H of WR Form for the management method (enter the related management method
	code, a H code, but not H141) that produced the residuals
G26	Leachate collection (from landfill operations or other land units)
G27	Treatment or recovery of universal waste

Wastes From Spills and Accidental Releases	
Code	Source Code Description
G31	Accidental contamination of products, materials, or containers (other than G11)
G32	Cleanup of spill residues (infrequent, not routine)
G33	Leak collection and floor sweeping (on-going, routine)
G39	Other cleanup of current contamination (specify in comments)

Waste	Wastes From Remediation of Past Contamination	
Code	Source Code Description	
G41	Closure of hazardous waste management unit under RCRA	
G42	Corrective action at a solid waste management unit under RCRA	
G43	Remedial action or emergency response under Superfund	
G44	Cleanup under State or voluntary program	
G45	Cleanup of underground storage tank	
G49	Other remediation (specify in comments)	

Wastes Received by an LQG from VSQGs Under the Control of the Same Person	
Code	Source Code Description
G51	Hazardous wastes received by an LQG from VSQGs under the control of the same person

Waste	Wastes Not Physically Generated On-Site	
Code	Source Code Description	
G61	Received from off-site for storage/bulking and transfer off-site for treatment or disposal (to match	
	H41 received waste quantities from Form WRs). GENERATION QUANTITY SHOULD BE ZERO to avoid	
	double counting	
G62	Hazardous waste received from a site located outside of US States, territories, or protectorates –	
	report a country code. This site was the generator of record and is the US Importer	
G76	Evaluated hazardous waste pharmaceuticals accumulated by a reverse distributor	
G77	Airbag waste received from airbag waste handlers exempted under 40 CFR 261.7(j) prior to arrival at	
	the airbag collection facility or designated facility	

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