

FACT SHEET - DISPOSAL OF UNWANTED MATERIALS

Kingston Campus

The following items are prohibited from disposal in trash cans and dumpsters or have special handling requirements. Contact the offices listed below for assistance with disposal.

Contact Information

Environmental Health and Safety (EHS)	Tel: 874-7993	Fax: 789-5126	Email: SRM@etal.uri.edu
Surplus Property	Tel: 874-5468		
Recycling	Tel: 874-2840		
Facilities Services	Tel: 874-4060		

PROHIBITED FROM TRASH	WHO TO CONTACT	DISPOSAL INFORMATION
Aerosol Cans	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for guidance
Air Conditioners/Dehumidifiers	Surplus Property	Submit work order with Freon removal requisition
Appliances	Surplus Property	Call or submit work order
Asbestos Containing Materials	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for guidance (874-5500)
Batteries – Alkaline	Recycling	Place in designated collection containers
Batteries – Lead Acid	Recycling	Label as Universal Waste, date, Place in designated collection containers
Batteries – Lithium, Ni-Cad, Other	Recycling	Label as Universal Waste, date, Place in designated collection containers
Beverage Containers	Recycling	Place in recycling bin or tote
Biohazard Materials	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for packaging guidance and pickup (874-7019)
Bulbs – Fluorescent Lamps	Facilities Services	Label as Universal Waste, date, call for pick-up
Bulbs – HID, Metal Halide Lamps	Facilities Services	Label as Universal Waste, date, call for pick-up
Cardboard	Recycling	Place in designated dumpsters
Cathode Ray Tubes (CRTs)	Surplus Property	Label as Universal Waste, date, call for pick-up
Chemicals, Used/Unwanted	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Compressed Gas Cylinders	Vendor	Return to vendor when empty or no longer needed
Computers	Surplus Property	Label as Universal Waste, date, call for pick-up
Documents, Confidential	Surplus Property	For Shredding
Electronic Equipment	Surplus Property	Label as Universal Waste, date, call for pick-up
Empty Containers – Chemical	Environmental Health and Safety	See Empty Container Fact Sheet
Fertilizers	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Laboratory Equipment, Surplus	Environmental Health and Safety	Submit list for screening prior to disposal
Laboratory Glass	Environmental Health and Safety	Put in cardboard box, label and dispose in dumpster
Lead Paint/Lead Paint Debris	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for guidance (874-5500)
Light Ballasts – PCB	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for guidance, Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Mercury Containing Items	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Oil, Used	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Used Oil, submit a pick-up request
Paints – Oil Based	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Paper	Recycling	Place in recycling bin or tote
Pesticides	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Refrigerators	Surplus Property	Submit work order with Freon removal requisition
Sharps, Non-infectious	Environmental Health and Safety	Place in “sharps” container, contact for pickup
Toner Cartridges, Printer, Copier	Recycling	Call for pickup
Transformers	Environmental Health and Safety	Contact for guidance

Note: Disposal of trash from off-campus is prohibited.

FACT SHEET - DISPOSAL OF EMPTY CONTAINERS

The following guidance is provided for the disposal of empty containers. Contact the offices listed below for assistance with disposal. For further information, please contact the Environmental Health and Safety Department.

Definition of Empty

- All material has been removed that can be removed using the practices commonly employed to remove materials from that type of container such as pouring or pumping
- There is less than 1 inch of residue in the bottom or less than 3% by weight remains in the container
- A compressed gas cylinder is empty when the pressure in the container approaches atmospheric

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EMPTY CONTAINERS	WHO TO CONTACT	DISPOSAL INFORMATION
Aerosol Can	Environmental Health and Safety	Place in recycling bin or tote. If the can still contains product or propellant, label as Hazardous Waste and fax or email pickup request.
Chemical Container, Acutely Hazardous (P-Listed)	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Chemical Container – Corrosives	Environmental Health and Safety	Remove/deface label and dispose in dumpster (bottles can be put in lab glassware box).
Chemical Container - FIFRA	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, fax pickup request
Chemical Container – Flammables	Environmental Health and Safety	Remove/deface label and dispose in dumpster (bottles can be put in lab glassware box.)
Compressed Gas Cylinders	Vendor	Return to vendor.
Drums, 55 Gallon	Vendor	Return to vendor.
Latex Paint	Environmental Health and Safety	Harden contents (air dry or add kitty litter) and dispose in dumpster
Lecture Bottles, Non-returnable	Environmental Health and Safety	Label as Hazardous Waste, submit a pickup request
Lecture Bottles, Returnable	Vendor	Return to vendor.
Oil Paint	Environmental Health and Safety	If empty, harden contents (air dry) and dispose in dumpster. If the can still contains product, label as Hazardous Waste and submit a pickup request.