**Waste Type and Cost**

There is a small handling fee involved in the collection of hazardous waste from your business. Disposal costs depend on the type of waste.

- Aerosols $1.29/lb.
- Automobile motor oil $.73/gal.
- Anti-freeze $1.57/gal.
- Contaminated oil $4.48/gal.
- Car batteries $.62/ea.
- Corrosive liquids, solids $2.80/lb.
- Flammable solids, liquids $1.57/lb.
- Latex Paint $.73/lb.
- Mercury $10.08/lb.
- NiCad/Alkaline Batteries $2.13/lb.
- Oil Base Paints $1.00/lb.
- Oil Filters $.56/ea.
- Oxidizers $9.63/lb.
- PCB Ballasts $5.94/lb.
- Pesticides (most) $2.91/lb.
- Photofixer, developer $4.31/gal.
- Television & Monitors $11.20/ea.
- Additional Handling $138.00/hr.

*Rates subject to change without notice*

**WE CANNOT ACCEPT**

- Radioactives
- Water reactives
- Explosives
- Compressed gas cylinders
- Medical or biohazardous waste
- Asbestos
- Remediation wastes

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Businesses that generate 27 gallons or 220 lbs. of hazardous waste, or 2.2 lbs. of extremely hazardous waste per month are called “Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators,” or CESQGs. San Bernardino County Household Hazardous Program provides waste management services to CESQG businesses. The most common CESQGs in San Bernardino County are painters, print shops, auto shops, builders, agricultural operators and property managers, but there are many others. When you call, be ready to describe the types and amounts of waste your business generates in a typical month. If you generate hazardous waste on a regular basis, you must:

* Register with San Bernardino County Fire Department (909) 386-8401 as a hazardous waste generator.
* To obtain an EPA ID# and application form from the State visit www.dtsc.ca.gov.
* Manage hazardous waste in accordance with all applicable local, state and federal laws and regulations.

**How Do I Get Service?**

To arrange an appointment for the CESQG Program, call 1-800-645-9228 or 909-382-5401. Be ready to describe the type and amount of hazardous waste your business is ready to dispose of, and the types and size(s) of containers that the waste is in.

**What is a CESQG?**

Small Quantity Generators often have difficulty disposing of small quantities of hazardous waste. Hazardous waste companies usually have a minimum amount of waste that they will pick up, or charge a minimum fee for service. Typically, the minimum fee exceeds the cost of disposal for the hazardous waste. This leaves the small quantity generator in a difficult situation. Some respond by storing hazardous waste until it becomes economical for the hazardous waste transporter to pick it up, putting the business out of compliance by exceeding regulatory accumulation time limits. Other businesses simply store their hazardous wastes indefinitely, creating an unsafe work environment and exceeding accumulation time limits. Yet other businesses attempt to illegally dispose of their waste at household hazardous waste collection facilities. These facilities are not legally permitted to accept commercial wastes, nor are prepared to provide legal documentation for commercial hazardous waste disposal. In answer to the problems identified above, the San Bernardino County Fire Department Household Hazardous Program instituted the Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Program.

**Payment for Services**

The CESQG Program will prepare an invoice for your business at the time of service. You can pay at the time of service with cash or a check, or you can mail your payment to the Fire Department within 30 days. Please note that we do not accept credit card payments. The preferred method of payment is to handle payment at time of service. Additional charges may apply for accounts not paid within 30 days.

**What Happens to Your Hazardous Waste?**

Hazardous waste collected by the CESQG Program is transported to a state permitted processing facility in San Bernardino. The waste is further processed at this point and packaged for off-site recycling (oil filters, oil, latex paint, antifreeze, and batteries) or destructive incineration (pesticides, corrosives, flammables, oil based paint).

**What If Your Business Does Not Qualify?**

Call the San Bernardino County Fire Department Field Services Division for assistance with hazardous waste management at 909-386-8401. If you reduce the amount of waste you generate each month to 27 gallons or less, you may qualify in the future.

**What If a Business Qualifies?**

Yes! First, start by reducing the amount of waste that you produce by changing processes or process chemicals, at your business. Next, examine if there is a way that you can recycle your waste back into your processes. Network with similar businesses or trade associations for waste minimization and pollution prevention solutions.