

Spotlight On Safety

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Common Hazardous Waste

A lot of the waste commonly produced at the campus cannot be disposed of in the trash or poured down the drain. Some waste may contain hazardous materials such as solvents, acids, caustics, poisons, lead, mercury, copper or other toxic or environmental hazards. You can help protect human health and the environment, comply with local and federal regulations, and save money by being aware and taking action.

Contact EH&S for Hazardous Waste Management training if you are involved with creating or handling any of the common hazardous waste listed below.

Waste Found in Shops

- Motor and hydraulic oil/oil filters
- Antifreeze (ethylene glycol)
- Batteries (all types)
- Fluorescent lamps
- Light ballasts
- Oil-based, latex, and aerosol paint
- Mercury thermostats (EH&S offers free replacements through [Hg thermometer exchange program](#))
- Aerosol cans
- Pesticides
- Asbestos/Lead
- Paint thinner
- Cleaners (solvents)
- Pool chemicals

Waste Found in Offices

- Computer monitors
- Batteries
- Electronic appliances such as answering machines, telephones, cell phones, stereo equipment, calculators, etc. (anything with a circuit board)
- Household Cleaners

Visit www.ehs.ucr.edu for additional information or call EH&S at 827-5528 if you have any questions.