

Environment of Care Standard 3.10: The organization manages hazardous materials and waste risks

Element of Performance 1. Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste Management Plan

The organization creates and maintains an inventory that identifies hazardous materials and waste used, stored or generated using criteria consistent with applicable law and regulation.

Evidence of Compliance	Evidence of Performance Improvement
General Environmental Management Plan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Facility conducts periodic internal compliance audits <input type="checkbox"/> Qualified Safety Officer or equivalent, members of Safety Committee selected <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Committee approves HazMat, HazWaste Plan; approval recorded in meeting minutes 	<p>Facility has comprehensive environmental plan that includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> statement of commitment <input type="checkbox"/> self assessment <input type="checkbox"/> performance improvement goals and objectives <input type="checkbox"/> methods of measurement <input type="checkbox"/> accountability <input type="checkbox"/> continuous improvement <input type="checkbox"/> Facility has developed Environmental Management System (EMS) <input type="checkbox"/> Facility ISO 14000 certified, maintains certification
Hazardous Materials Management	
<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Creating, maintaining inventory that identifies, provides location for all hazmat in facility <input type="checkbox"/> Managing hazardous materials <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying all hazardous materials that require employee monitoring <input type="checkbox"/> Selecting, maintaining personal protective equipment <input type="checkbox"/> Communicating hazardous chemical handling, use requirements to employees 	<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing use of hazardous materials through purchasing policies and procedures <input type="checkbox"/> Developing a Community-Right-to-Know plan
Hazardous Waste Management	
<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Annually determining hazardous waste generator status <input type="checkbox"/> Making hazardous waste determinations by applying knowledge or testing <input type="checkbox"/> Managing hazardous waste <input type="checkbox"/> Specifying actions in response to fires, explosion, unplanned releases (required if facility is LQG) <input type="checkbox"/> Packaging, labeling, transporting hazardous waste according to DOT requirements 	<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Working toward smaller quantity generator status by minimizing hazardous materials, waste <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminating mercury <input type="checkbox"/> Recycling solvents, formalin <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminating or reducing incineration as waste treatment method

Evidence of Compliance	Evidence of Performance Improvement
Regulated Medical Waste	
<input type="checkbox"/> Bloodborne Pathogens (BBP) Exposure Control Plan in place Facility has plan for: <input type="checkbox"/> identifying, segregating, managing RMW that contains pathology waste, "trace" chemo. waste <input type="checkbox"/> packaging, labeling, transporting RMW according to DOT requirements <input type="checkbox"/> Facility has developed provisions for ensuring that RMW arrives at appropriate destination	<input type="checkbox"/> Facility has formulated comprehensive medical waste minimization plan
Universal Waste	
Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for: <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying, managing Universal Waste for recycling <input type="checkbox"/> Establishing procedures for packaging, labeling, storing, transporting Universal Waste	
Hazardous Waste Management	
Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for: Pesticides: Application: <input type="checkbox"/> Selecting chemicals used in grounds keeping <input type="checkbox"/> Ensuring restricted or prohibited pesticides not used <input type="checkbox"/> Ensuring pesticide applicators appropriately trained, licensed <input type="checkbox"/> Posting warning signs when pesticides applied Disposal: <input type="checkbox"/> Managing waste pesticides as hazardous waste <input type="checkbox"/> Triple rinsing pesticide containers <input type="checkbox"/> Managing rinsate as hazardous waste if not used <input type="checkbox"/> Managing disinfectants and sterilants as pesticides Petroleum Products: <input type="checkbox"/> Managing aboveground and underground storage tanks with petroleum products <input type="checkbox"/> Complying with SPCC requirements for aboveground oil storage tanks >1,320 gallons Radioactive Materials, Waste: <input type="checkbox"/> Managing radioactive materials and waste Used Oil: <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying, managing used oil for recycling <input type="checkbox"/> Managing used oil destined for disposal as hazardous waste <input type="checkbox"/> Packaging, labeling, transporting used oil destined for recycling <input type="checkbox"/> Packing, labeling, transporting used oil destined for disposal	Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for: Pesticides: <input type="checkbox"/> Implementing an Integrated Pest Management (IPM) program Petroleum Products: <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminating or reducing underground storage tanks <input type="checkbox"/> Reducing or eliminating the use of diesel fuel Radioactive Materials, Waste: <input type="checkbox"/> Eliminating or reducing radioactive materials, waste

Evidence of Compliance	Evidence of Performance Improvement
Spills	
<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Controlling, cleaning up hazardous material, waste spills <input type="checkbox"/> Controlling, cleaning up spills of universal waste <input type="checkbox"/> Controlling, cleaning up spills from used oil <input type="checkbox"/> Controlling, cleaning up, exposure monitoring of spills from radioactive materials <input type="checkbox"/> Controlling, cleaning up spills from Regulated Medical Waste <input type="checkbox"/> Complying with SPCC requirements for aboveground oil storage tanks >1,320 gallons 	<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Minimizing spills
Training	
<p>Facility has plans on file, readily accessible by appropriate staff, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Fulfilling training requirements of DOT, EPA, OSHA <input type="checkbox"/> Identifying departments, personnel that require training. <input type="checkbox"/> Training on universal waste requirements 	

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