



Hazardous Waste Collection Program for Small Businesses

As a business owner, operator or employee, you may be generating waste materials that can harm people and the environment.

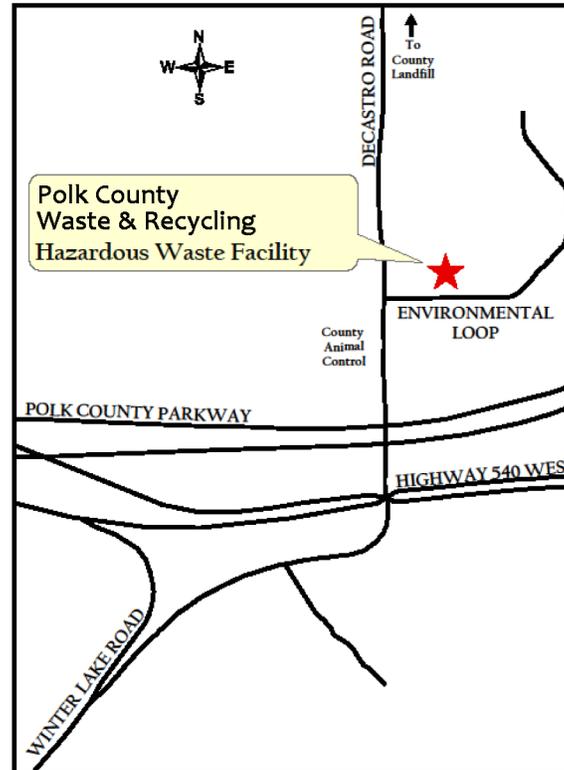
Businesses that generate small amounts of hazardous waste, usually 25 gallons or less in a month, can use the Hazardous Waste Collection Program for Small Businesses.

This program provides a convenient disposal option to qualified businesses to properly recycle or dispose of their hazardous waste.

All hazardous wastes must be stored properly and disposed of at a designated hazardous waste management or recycling facility.

Hazardous waste should never be allowed to evaporate, disposed of with trash, or poured into a septic tanks, down storm drains or onto the ground.

Call **863-284-4319** for registration information.



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Can My Business Participate?

Your business can participate in this program if it is classified as a conditionally exempt small quantity generator (CESQG) of hazardous waste, which means:

- You produce less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste each month (about 25 gallons); and
- You have less than 2,200 pounds of hazardous waste on site (about five 55-gallon drums).

To determine if you are a CESQG, estimate the waste you produce each month and inventory the hazardous waste you currently have onsite.

If you meet these guidelines, you may take advantage of the Hazardous Waste Collection Program for Small Businesses. Contact us for other disposal options, including hazardous waste transporters.

Types of Wastes Accepted:

The types of wastes accepted are listed on our price sheet. They include spent solvents, waste paint, used oil, corrosives, fluorescent lamps, aerosol cans, batteries, etc. Unknown wastes will not be accepted.

Container Sizes & Amounts:

All containers must be in good condition and properly labeled with the contents. When necessary, wastes will be packaged into Department of Transportation approved containers at an additional cost to you. Hazardous waste will be accepted in containers up to five gallons in size and no more than 1,000 pounds at one time. Call us for containers over five gallons. Used oil will be accepted in containers up to 55 gallons and no more than 55 gallons at one time.



Registering for the Program

If your business is classified as a CESQG you must complete a registration form and chemical inventory sheet. These forms are available on our website at www.polk-county.net/businessHWdisposal or by calling 863-284-4319 ext. 203 to request a packet.

Onsite Visit

After your registration form is reviewed, a Polk County employee will call you and may need to schedule an onsite visit. This visit is done to confirm the types of wastes you generate at your facility and to ensure that your facility is classified as a CESQG. At that time you will be provided with a disposal cost estimate.

Scheduling an Appointment

Appointments must be made in advance and can be scheduled Monday through Friday (except Wednesday). If your facility requires an onsite visit, your appointment can be made during that time.

Disposal Fees

Disposal fees are based on the type and quantity of waste you bring to the facility. You will be charged for the full volume of each container, regardless of how full the container is.

DO NOT MIX DIFFERENT WASTE TYPES

One number for ALL
Waste & Recycling services:

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Delivery/Payment

- Transportation must be provided by your business. A CESQG is allowed under the law to transport their own waste.
- On your appointment date/time, deliver your waste to **5 Environmental Loop South, Winter Haven, FL 33880**. Follow the signs to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility.
- Staff will inspect each container of waste, comparing it to your inventory sheet. They will provide you with the final cost of disposal. Payment must be made by cash, check or credit card at the time of disposal.
- Once payment is made, you will be provided a Hazardous Waste Disposal Receipt for your records. You will want to retain this receipt for at least three years.*
- If it is later determined the waste material dropped off was not what was represented by your company, you may be contacted for reimbursement of additional disposal costs.

*Per Florida Administrative Code 62-730.030(3)

For More Information

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863-284-4319 or visit
www.polk-county.net/businessHWdisposal