

The Process

Call us at 832-3030

The City of Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling Division will provide a phone consultation and set up an on-site visit to your facility.

Waste Inventory

We must visit the site to complete an inventory of the waste before it can be accepted at our facility. Only pre-approved waste may be disposed.

Disposal Costs Assessed

Fees are set on a per pound basis or by volume of materials, depending on the type of waste. Disposal costs are the same as those assessed by the City's contractor, plus a 15% handling and administration fee.

Schedule a Drop-off

Once your waste has been inventoried and approved by the Waste Reduction & Recycling Division, and you have completed and returned the CERTIFICATION FORM that insures you are no larger than a small quantity generator, an appointment may be scheduled at our facility to accept your waste.



Who are the SQG's?

Possible Small Quantity Generator facilities may include but are not limited to:

- Apartment rental managers
- Auto repair, maintenance and supply
- Building cleaning and maintenance
- Dental and medical offices
- Educational/vocational shops
- Equipment repair
- Furniture manufacturing and refinishing
- Foreclosure/Home clean-out services
- Laboratories
- Veterinarians
- Metal manufacturing/etching
- Printing and graphic arts
- Paint contracting
- Photofinishing
- Pesticide users and application services
- Schools

Small Quantity Generator Program



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What is Hazardous

Waste is classified as hazardous if it has one of the following characteristics:

Ignitable: Flammable. Paint, thinners and other solvents, and auto products are the most flammable home products.

“Do not use near heat or flame”

“Combustible”

Corrosive: Eats through materials (for example, acid). Oven cleaners, drain cleaners, toilet bowl cleaners and auto batteries are common corrosive products.

“Causes severe burns on contact”

“Can burn eyes, skin, throat”

Reactive: Can explode when exposed to heat, air, water or shock. There are few consumer products still on the market that are explosive.

Toxic: Poisonous or causing long-term illness, such as cancer. Pesticides, paint thinners, many auto products and some cleaners are toxic.

“Harmful or fatal if swallowed”

“Use only in a well-ventilated area”

Each of these products may pose a threat to sanitation workers or public health and the environment when improperly handled or disposed. Hazardous waste discarded with other trash may contaminate the air or groundwater, react or explode in waste compactors, or injure personnel handling these wastes. Improper disposal to sanitary or stormwater sewers may damage septic systems, sewage treatment plants, drinking water supplies, corrode plumbing, or cause treatment plant sludge to be hazardous.

The Service

If your business generates small amounts of hazardous waste, you may have difficulties finding safe, affordable disposal methods. The City of Lawrence Waste Reduction and Recycling Division is now able to accept business wastes such as paint, motor oil, solvents and corrosives through the Small Quantity Generator (SQG) Program. These are all items that should not be poured down the drain or put in the trash. In fact, by law, the State of Kansas requires that they be disposed in an environmentally sound manner.

The Small Quantity Generator Program is a fee-based, voluntary program that provides both:

(1) hazardous waste collection system for Small Quantity Generator businesses

(2) waste reduction and pollution prevention technical assistance to businesses in Douglas County

Acceptance of pre-qualified SQG hazardous waste is on an appointment basis only.

Common Small Quantity Generator hazardous products:

- Pesticides
- Fluorescent and other Mercury Lamps
- Latex and Oil-Based Paint
- Varnish and Stain
- Paint Thinner and Solvents
- Adhesives
- Motor Oil and Antifreeze
- Cleaners
- Aerosol Cans

How to Qualify

You are a Small Quantity Generator business in Kansas if you meet all of the following conditions:

- Generate less than 55 lbs. of hazardous waste, or less than 2.2 lbs. of acutely hazardous waste, in any single calendar month.
- Accumulate at any one time less than 2,200 lbs. of hazardous waste, or less than 2.2 lbs. of acutely hazardous waste.
- Accumulate at any one time less than 55 lbs. of any residue or contaminated soil, water, or debris resulting from the clean up of a spill of acutely hazardous waste.
- Any facility generating larger or more acutely toxic quantities of hazardous waste needs to register with the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). They can provide more information at 842-4600.

