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#### RE: WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, ABILENE, TEXAS (HRP #ABI2006.WM)

Dear Mr. Sutton:

HRP Associates, Inc. (HRP) has prepared a Waste Management Plan (WMP) at the request of Abilene Christian University (ACU) to serve as a standard operating procedure for waste management at 1600 Campus Court, Abilene, TX.

Enclosed is one (1) copy and an electronic copy has been emailed. As such, at issuance of this plan, ACU will continue to be responsible for all actions, procedures, and implementations herein.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please feel free to contact HRP at (864) 289-0311.

Sincerely,

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# **WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN**

# **Abilene Christian University**

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# **ACRONYM LIST**

ACM BMP CAA CESQG CFR DIY DOT EHS EPA	Asbestos Containing Materials Best Management Practice Central Accumulation Area Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator Code of Federal Regulations Do-It-Yourselfer Department of Transportation Environmental Health and Safety Environmental Protection Agency
FIFRA	Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act
ICR	Ignitable, Corrosive or Reactive
ICUT	Texas Association of Independent Colleges and Universities
LDR	Land Disposal Restriction
LQG	Large Quantity Generator
LQHUW	Large Quantity Handler of Universal Waste
NESHAP	National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants
PPRM	Paint and Paint Related Material
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
SAA	Satellite Accumulation Area
SPCC	Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasures
SQG	Small Quantity Generator
SQHUW	Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste
RCRA	Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
TCEQ	Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
TCLP	Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure
TSDF	Treatment, Storage or Disposal Facility
WMP	Waste Management Plan



#### **GLOSSARY OF TERMS**

**Abandoned** Materials that are disposed of or thrown away; burned or incinerated; or accumulated, stored or treated (but not recycled) before or in lieu of being disposed of, burned or incinerated.

#### Accumulation Start Date – Hazardous Waste in Satellite Storage

The date in which a container containing hazardous waste reaches 55-gallons (or 2.2 gallons of acutely hazardous waste). If less than 55-gallons of waste is in the container, the date in which a container is transferred to the central accumulation area.

#### Accumulation Start Date – Hazardous Waste in Central Storage

The date in which the waste is initially added to the storage container holding the hazardous waste.

#### Accumulation Start Date – Universal Waste

The date in which the waste is initially added to the storage container holding the Universal Waste.

#### Acute Hazardous Waste

Hazardous waste identified either on the "P-list" or having the following waste codes: F020, F021, F023, F027, and F028.

#### Asbestos Containing Materials

Any material found to contain greater than one percent (1%) asbestos.

#### **Best Management Practices**

Scheduled activities, prohibited practices, maintenance procedures, and other management directives intended to prevent or reduce pollution of surface and groundwater and/or conserve water.

#### **Biohazardous Waste**

See Medical Waste

#### **Central Accumulation Area**

A designated storage place/location where hazardous waste is collected and stored for less than 90 days. Referred to in the document as a CAA

#### Class 1 Wastes

Any industrial solid waste or mixture of industrial solid wastes that because of its concentration, or physical or chemical characteristics is toxic, corrosive, flammable, a strong sensitizer or irritant, a generator of sudden pressure by decomposition, heat, or other means, or may pose a substantial present or potential danger to human health or the environment when improperly processed, stored, transported, or disposed of or otherwise managed, as further defined in §335.505 of this title (relating to Class 1 Waste Determination).



#### Class 2 Wastes

Any individual solid waste or combination of industrial solid waste that are not described as Hazardous, Class 1, or Class 3 as defined in §335.506 of this title (relating to Class 2 Waste Determination).

#### Class 3 Wastes

Inert and essentially insoluble industrial solid waste, usually including, but not limited to, materials such as rock, brick, glass, dirt, and certain plastics and rubber, etc., that are not readily decomposable, as further defined in §335.507 of this title (relating to Class 3 Waste Determination).

#### **Closed Container**

For free liquids or liquid hazardous waste, containers are closed when all openings or ids are properly and affixed so to prevent spills and air emissions. For solids and semisolids hazardous waste, containers are closed when there is complete contact between the lid and the rim all around the top of the container. This includes containers with covers opened by foot pedal.

#### **Commercial Chemical Product**

A chemical substance which is manufactured or formulated for commercial or manufacturing use which consists of the commercially pure grade of the chemical, any technical grades of the chemical that are produced or marketed, and all formulations in which the chemical is the sole active ingredient.

#### Container

A portable device in which a raw material or waste is stored, transported, or otherwise handled. Containers include drums, cylinders, cans, jars, pails, fiber drums, bags, etc.

- *Corrosivity* This characteristic identifies solid wastes that have either of the following properties:
  - it is aqueous and has a pH <2 or >12.5; and
  - it is a liquid and corrodes steel at a rate greater than 0.25 inches per year at a test temperature of 130°F (55°C).

#### **Designated Facility**

Means a hazardous waste treatment, storage, or disposal facility which has received a permit (or interim status) in accordance with the requirements of 40 CFR parts 270 and 124, has received a permit (or interim status) from a State authorized in accordance with 40 CFR part 271, or is regulated under 40 CFR Part 261.6(c)(2) or subpart F of part 266, and has been designated on the manifest by the generator pursuant to 40 CFR 262.20.

#### Electronic Waste (E-Waste)

Waste consisting of computers, monitors, cathode ray tubes (CRTs), radios, and other electronic equipment that is to be discarded and not recycled.

#### Hazardous Waste

A waste, when not properly handled or disposed, may present an unreasonable or substantial risk to human health or the environment. A solid waste qualifies as a hazardous waste if it falls under any one of the four (4) categories listed below and does



not qualify for any of the exemptions or exclusions listed under Federal and/or State regulations.

- 1) A waste or waste generation process which has been specifically identified by EPA to be **"listed"** hazardous waste. Included under this category are products in their pure or off-specification form which are discarded and contain specific hazardous constituents.
- 2) Those solid waste and waste generation processes that have <u>not</u> been specifically listed by EPA but exhibit one or more of the four **characteristics** of hazardous waste irrespective of the manufacturing processes from which it is generated. The four characteristics are: ignitability (I), corrosivity (C), reactivity (R), or toxicity (T).
- 3) It is a **mixture** of a listed hazardous waste and any other material, or is a **mixture** of a characteristic waste and any other material, provided the mixture still exhibits the characteristic (i.e., mixture rule).
- 4) It is a residue that is **"derived from**" the treatment, storage, or disposal of a listed waste.
- **Ignitability** This characteristic identifies solid wastes that are capable of causing a fire or exacerbating a fire once it has started during routine handling of material. These wastes include:
  - *Liquids*: Other than an aqueous solution containing less than 24% alcohol by volume and has a flashpoint of less than 140°F (60°C);
  - *Non-Liquids:* Capable under standard temperature and pressure of (1) causing fire through friction, absorption of moisture or spontaneous chemical changes and (2) when ignited burn so vigorously and persistent that it creates a hazard;
  - Ignitable Compressed Gases: As defined under 49 CFR 173.300; and
  - Oxidizers: As defined in 49 CFR 173.151.

# Inherently Waste-Like

Materials that are inherently waste-like are materials that pose significant threats to human health and the environment if mismanaged (i.e., too hazardous to be unregulated). These materials have been designated with the EPA Hazardous Waste Codes F020 to F023 and F026 to F028, and secondary materials fed to a halogen acid furnace that exhibit a characteristic of a hazardous waste or are listed hazardous waste.

#### Label

A sticker, placard or marking placed on a waste collection container to identify its contents, including the printed words (e.g., Hazardous Waste, Universal Waste, etc.) and a non-technical description of the waste.

#### Medical Waste



Treated and untreated special waste from health care-related facilities that is comprised of animal waste, bulk blood, bulk human blood, bulk human body fluids, microbiological waste, pathological waste, and sharps as those terms are defined in 25 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §1.132 (relating to Definitions) from the sources specified in 25 TAC §1.134 (relating to Application), as well as regulated medical waste as defined in 49 Code of Federal Regulations §173.134(a)(5), except that the term does not include medical waste produced on a farm or ranch as defined in 34 TAC §3.296(f) (relating to Agriculture, Animal Life, Feed, Seed, Plants, and Fertilizer), nor does the term include artificial, nonhuman materials removed from a patient and requested by the patient, including, but not limited to, orthopedic devices and breast implants. Health care-related facilities do not include:

- single or multi-family dwellings; and
- hotels, motels, or other establishments that provide lodging and related services for the public.
- **Reactivity** This characteristic identifies wastes that are unstable and may react violently or explode during stages of their management. Solid wastes that exhibit any of the following properties are classified as reactive wastes:
  - normally unstable and readily undergoes violent change without detonating;
  - reacts violently with water;
  - forms potentially explosive mixtures with water;
  - generates toxic gases, vapors or fumes in a sufficient quantity to pose a danger when mixed with water;
  - cyanide or sulfide bearing waste which, when exposed to pH conditions between 2 and 12.5, can generate toxic gases, vapors, or fumes in a quantity sufficient to present a danger to human health or environment;
  - capable of detonation or explosive reaction if it is subjected to a strong initiations source or if heated under confinement;
  - readily capable of detonation or explosive decomposition or reaction at standard temperature and pressure; and
  - forbidden explosive as defined by DOT regulations or is a Class A explosive, or a Class B explosive as defined in DOT regulations.

*Recycled* Reused or reclaimed according to the following Table.

RECYCLED MATERIALS WHICH ARE SOLID WASTES						
Secondary Material Categories	Use Constituting Disposal [§261.2(c)(1)]	Energy Recovery/Fuel [§261.2(c)(2)]	Reclamation [§261.2(c)(3)]	Speculative Accumulation [§261.2(c)(4)]		
Spent Materials	*1	*	*	*		
Sludge (listed in 40 CFR Part 261.31 or 261.32)	*	*	*	*		
Sludge exhibiting a characteristic of hazardous waste	*	*	4	*		
By-products (listed in 40 CFR Part 261.31 or 261.32)	*	*	*	*		



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By-products exhibiting a characteristic of hazardous waste	*	*	4	*		
Commercial chemical products <sup>2,</sup> <sup>3</sup> listed in 40 CFR 261.33	*	*	4	4		
Scrap metal other than excluded * * * * * * * * * scrap metal (see 40 CFR 261.1(c)(9)						
261.1(c)(9) Notes: <sup>1</sup> Solid wastes are noted with an "*". <sup>2</sup> Commercial chemical products are not solid wastes if land disposal is their ordinary manner of use. <sup>3</sup> Commercial chemical products are not solid wastes if they are themselves fuels. <sup>4</sup> Materials noted with a "" are not solid wastes.						

# Satellite Accumulation Area (SAA)

A location where waste initially accumulates, under the control of the process operator generating the waste.

- **Solid Waste** A solid waste, which can be a solid, liquid, semi-solid or gaseous material, is defined as any discarded material that is not specifically excluded. A "discarded material" is any material, which is either:
  - Abandoned (i.e. thrown away or disposed of);
  - Inherently waste like;
  - Military munitions; or
  - Recycled in a manner constituting disposal, burning for energy recovery, reclaimed or over accumulated.
- **Special Waste** Special waste is any solid waste that requires special handling and disposal because of its quantity, concentration, physical or chemical characteristics, or biological properties. Special waste is defined in Title 30 Texas Administrative Code (30 TAC), Chapter 330, 330.3. Special waste that is not specifically identified in 30 TAC 330.171(c) or (d), or 330.173 requires prior written authorization by the TCEQ for disposal. Special wastes identified in, and meeting the requirements of, 30 TAC 330.171(c) and (d) do not require prior written authorization before disposal, provided the MSW landfill is permitted to accept these wastes. These include:
  - Municipal hazardous waste from conditionally exempt small-quantity generators may be accepted at a Type I or Type IAE landfill provided the amount of waste does not exceed 220 lb (100 kg) per month per generator.
  - Municipal wastewater treatment plant sludges, other types of domestic sewage treatment plant sludges, and water-supply treatment plant sludges.
  - Liquid wastes from municipal sources that are treated or processed to eliminate free liquids and tested in accordance with 30 TAC 330.171(c)(7).
  - Grease-trap and grit-trap wastes.
  - Slaughterhouse wastes.
  - Dead animals.



- Empty pesticide (insecticide, herbicide, fungicide, or rodenticide) containers that have been triple rinsed and rendered unusable.
- **Toxicity** This characteristic measures the potential of a waste to leach toxic constituents into groundwater when land disposed assuming mismanagement or co-disposal in an unlined, municipal solid waste landfill. Compounds, which are analyzed under the current Toxicity Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) test and their regulatory levels, are listed in **Appendix A**.

#### Universal Waste

Means any of the following hazardous wastes that are managed under the universal waste requirements of part 273. Batteries, Electronic Waste, Mercury containing devices.

#### Waste

Any material (i.e., hazardous waste, solid waste, regulated waste, used oil) that is spent or expired material and is destined for disposal, or recycling.



# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This plan has been developed by HRP Associates, Inc., on behalf of Abilene Christian University (ACU) to establish a program to comply with the regulations set forth in 40 CFR Subchapter I: Solid Waste and TCEQ Administrative Code Title 30, Part 1, Chapter 335, Subpart C, which also references adoption of Title 40 CFR Parts 260-268 of the Federal hazardous waste regulations with few exceptions and/or changes.

ACU is currently identified and operating as a Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) of hazardous waste. ACU manages some of its applicable hazardous waste as Universal Waste. This allows for longer storage times and the reduced burden of regulations on wastes such as used lamps, used batteries, used mercury-containing equipment, and paint and paint-related material. ACU is also identified and operating as a Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste (SQHUW) as defined as generating universal wastes, not treating or recycling on site, in amounts less than 5,000 kilograms at any given time.

This Waste Management Plan (WMP) addresses the total life cycle of hazardous waste generated at and disposed by Abilene Christian University. Within this plan is guidance on classifying and analyzing waste, storing hazardous waste, inspecting hazardous waste storage areas, disposing of hazardous waste, complying with a waste minimization program, training employees on hazardous waste, establishing contingency plans, and preparing any state or federal required reporting.

This WMP also documents procedures and practices for Universal Waste, used oil, medical waste, polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) waste, aerosol cans, empty containers, asbestos containing materials, e-waste, special waste, and unknown wastes.

This plan is to be administered by employees of ACU and by contractors working on their behalf.

# 1.1 Limitations

This plan is not intended to address the safe handling of chemicals in laboratories as required under OSHA regulation 29 CFR 1910.1450 nor is this plan intended to define the requirements for employees exposed to Asbestos Containing Materials as required under OSHA regulations 29 CFR 1910.1001, 29 CFR 1926.1101, or 40 CFR 763.92. ACU has a Chemical Hygiene Plan under a separate cover, which addresses the safe handling, storage and usage of chemicals in laboratories. ACU should review the requirements set forth in the aforementioned regulations associated with safe lab practices and asbestos to assure all staff and students meet the necessary requirements

# 1.2 Locations

Copies of this WMP are located in the following areas on campus:

- 1. Office of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management.
- 2. Electronically on the Abilene Christian University intranet.



# 2.0 <u>RESPONSIBILITIES</u>

It is the responsibility of all employees, students, and contractors working on behalf of ACU to handle, store, and dispose of hazardous waste, universal waste, biohazardous waste, and regulated non-hazardous waste in a manner that is in compliance with all applicable state and federal regulations.

# 2.1 Senior Vice President

The Senior Vice President of Operations, or designee has the ultimate responsibility for proper waste handling and provides along with other officers and administrators support for efforts to minimize waste generation and comply with all applicable waste regulations. The Senior Vice President supervises and authorizes the faculty and staff to take steps necessary to carry out the objectives of the WMP including the following:

- 1. Providing the necessary resources, training, and staffing required to implement the WMP.
- 2. Monitoring the implementation of the WMP at all applicable levels of administration with Abilene Christian University.
- 3. Providing management support to faculty and staff for purposes of obtaining necessary licensing, permits, or approvals from local, state, and federal agencies to purchase, store, use, synthesize, administer, and/or dispose of any hazardous material, prescribed medication, or controlled substance.

# 2.2 Environmental Health and Safety Officer

For the purpose of this plan, the Environmental Health & Safety Manager of the Office of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management will serve as the Environmental Health and Safety (EHS) Officer. The EHS Officer of ACU is responsible for the day-to-day activities associated with hazardous waste, universal waste, biohazardous waste, and regulated non-hazardous waste management including, but not limited to:

- 1. Working with the appropriate personnel to evaluate, implement, and update the WMP on a routine basis. Providing technical expertise and administrative support to the faculty and staff and direct inquiries to appropriate resources.
- 2. Aiding in hazardous waste stream determinations and consulting with faculty and staff each semester to verify that waste stream determinations continue to be completed each semester for new waste streams.
- 3. Assisting the departments in verifying that, hazardous waste, universal waste, biohazardous waste, and non-hazardous waste, containers are appropriately labeled, handled, stored, and managed.
- 4. Conducting, or designating the conducting of, inspections of centralized accumulation areas (CAA) and satellite accumulation areas (SAA) for hazardous waste collection. These Inspection Forms have been provided in **Appendix D**.
- 5. Acting as a liaison between campus hazardous waste operations and the Facilities office. Bring unresolved and potentially serious waste related issues to the Dean's attention.
- 6. Maintaining records and making them available to employees, administrative personnel, and state or federal officials.



- 7. Monitoring use and disposal of laboratory chemicals.
- 8. Training, or coordinating the training of, all ACU employees and other personnel who may handle, generate or prepare hazardous waste for shipment. This includes both RCRA Hazardous Waste Management Training (annual) and DOT Hazardous Materials Training (every 3 years).
- 9. Coordinating waste pickups, from all departments, and with off-site vendors.
- 10. Familiarizing oneself with laboratory procedures and all other applicable campus emergency plans which are maintained under separate cover.

# 2.3 Faculty and Staff

Faculty and staff, who have the responsibility of Environmental Health & Safety of a campus operation or the responsibility of instruction of students at Abilene Christian University, participate in the implementation of this WMP and overall proper waste practice by:

- 1. Informing and training students and workers on waste procedures as it applies to activities in their area;
- 2. Performing and documenting waste stream determinations for waste generated by their activities;
- 3. Verifying student and lab worker compliance with the WMP;
- 4. Teaching students about proper waste disposal as it applies to that day's activity before each lesson;
- 5. Verifying that all containers of hazardous waste, universal waste, biohazardous waste, and regulated non-hazardous wastes are properly labeled, closed, and stored; and
- 6. Requesting assistance, if needed, from the Environmental Health and Safety Officer.

# 2.4 Student and Lab Workers

Students and lab workers participate in the implementation of this WMP and overall proper waste disposal by:

- 1. Following all rules and procedures established in the WMP as communicated by staff and faculty;
- 2. Aiding in waste stream determinations for waste generated by their activities; and
- 3. Requesting information and training if not sure about proper waste procedures.



# 3.0 HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATOR STATUS

Each generator of hazardous waste must determine their generator status for each calendar month. This exercise is necessary to identify those regulatory requirements with which ACU must comply. The generator status is determined by the sum of hazardous waste generated on site, not the amount shipped, in one calendar month. Additionally, there are limitations on aggregate storage that may affect one's generator status.

There are three generator categories for hazardous waste and two categories for universal waste as defined in **Table 1**. ACU is currently a Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG) of hazardous waste. ACU is also categorized as a Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste (SQHUW). These categories are defined in the table below.

#### Table 1: Generator Status Defined

Generator Category	Amount of Hazardous Waste Generated in a Month (unless otherwise noted)	Amount of Acute Hazardous Waste Generated in a Month				Maximum Amount of Waste Stored on Site at Any Given Time
		HAZAR	DOUS WASTE S	TATUS		
Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG)	< 100 kilograms (< 220 pounds)		< 1 kilogram (<2.2 pounds)		ilograms pounds)	≤ 1000 kg (≤2,200 lbs) or ≤1 kg (≤2.2 lbs) of acute hazardous waste
Small Quantity Generator (SQG)	< 1000 kilograms (< 2200 pounds)	< 1 kilogram (<2.2 pounds)		< 100 kilograms (< 220 pounds)		$\leq$ 6000 kg ( $\leq$ 13,200 lbs) or $\leq$ 1 kg ( $\leq$ 2.2 lbs) of acute hazardous waste
Large Quantity Generator (LQG)	$\geq$ 1000 kilograms ( $\geq$ 2200 pounds)	$\geq$ 1 kilogram (>2.2 pounds)			ilograms pounds)	> 6000 kg (>13,200 lbs) or >1 kg (>2.2 lbs) of acute hazardous waste
		UNIVE	RSAL WASTE ST	ATUS		
Small Quantity Handlers of Universal Waste (SQHUW)	Handlers of Universal Waste< 5000 kilograms of Universal Waste (< 11,000 pounds)		N	/Α	N/A	Accumulate no more than one year
Large Quantity Handlers of Universal Waste (SQHUW)	≥ 5000 kilograms Waste (≥ 11,000 p At any ti	e ounds)	N/A		N/A	Accumulate no more than one year

# 3.1 Requirements

At the time that this plan was prepared, ACU is currently identified and operating as a CESQG of hazardous waste since it generates less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month. As of the date of this plan, Texas has not adopted the federal generator improvement rules for hazardous waste generators. Regardless of their generator status, ACU has made the decision to comply with



the majority of requirements (i.e. container management, personnel training) of a Small Quantity Generator (SQG) of hazardous waste as a Best Management Practice. Close monitoring of campus status must be verified when wastes are generated and when conducting periodic laboratory cleanouts to maintain CESQG status.

As a CESQG of hazardous waste, ACU will implement the following practices as <u>required</u> by a CESQG:

- 1. Not store in excess of greater than 1,000 kilograms (2,200 pounds) of hazardous waste or greater than 1.0 kilogram (2.2 pounds) of acute hazardous waste at any given time; and
- 2. Not generate greater than 220 pounds of hazardous waste, or greater than 2.2 pounds of acute hazardous waste, in any one (1) calendar month.

By utilizing several of the practices required by a Small Quantity Generator of hazardous waste, ACU will also:

- 1. Use a manifest for all off-site shipments of hazardous waste (see Sections 3.3 and 7.0 of this plan);
- 2. Mark (label) each container of hazardous waste with appropriate labels including the words "hazardous waste" and "other words that identify the contents of the containers such as the chemical name" (see Section 5.0, and **Appendix C** of this plan);
- 3. Place the waste in appropriate containers. (see Section 5.0 of this plan);
- 4. Establish and document emergency preparedness procedures and contingency plans (see Section 10.0 of this plan);
- 5. Conduct annual training (see Section 9.0 of this plan); and
- 6. Perform inspections of the CAA and SAA's (see Section 6.0 and **Appendix D** of this plan).

Additionally, ACU is identified and operating as a Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste (SQHUW), and as such must:

- 1. Store universal waste (lamps, damaged or leaking batteries, damaged or leaking mercurycontaining equipment) in containers or packages that are structurally sound and adequate to prevent breakage;
- 2. Select containers compatible with the universal waste;
- 3. Verify containers are closed except when adding or removing waste;
- 4. Label containers with the words "Universal Waste" and other descriptive words such as "Universal waste – lamps," "Universal Waste – batteries," or "Universal Waste – mercury containing devices;" and
- 5. Store waste for no more than 1 year from the date waste was first placed in the container.

# 3.2 EPA ID Number

ACU is currently not registered, nor is it required to be, with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) or the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) as a generator of hazardous waste. ACU is currently operating and classified as a CESQG since it generates less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste, or less than 2.2 pounds of acute hazardous waste per month. TCEQ's regulations do not require EPA ID Numbers for CESQG's.



# 3.3 Manifesting

Prior to any off-site shipment of hazardous waste from Abilene Christian University, a hazardous waste manifest is completed and accompanies all off-site shipments.

The hazardous waste manifest is presented on  $8\frac{1}{2}$ " x 11" paper and contains six (6) copies. <u>Once</u> the waste is loaded on the truck for shipment, Zach Harmon, or designated appointee from ACU, prints and signs his name and dates the manifest. Prior to the waste leaving the campus, the truck driver transporting the waste must print and sign his/her name and date the manifest. ACU is to maintain one copy of the manifest at this time. The six (6) copies of the manifest are distributed as follows:

- Copy 1: When the manifest is completed by the Treatment, Storage and Disposal Facility (TSDF), a copy is mailed to the State where the TSDF located.
- Copy 2: When the TSDF has completed this section of the manifest, a copy is mailed to the State where the waste was generated.
- Copy 3: When the TSDF has completed this section of the manifest, a copy is mailed back to ACU for their records. This copy is used to document the delivery of the waste to the designated facility.
- Copy 4: When the TSDF has completed this section of the manifest, he keeps this copy for his records.
- Copy 5: When the Transporter has completed his section and transfers the waste to the TSDF, he keeps this copy for his records.
- Copy 6: When ACU and the Transporter have completed their sections of the manifest (including signatures) and the hazardous waste has been transferred to the vehicle, ACU keeps this copy of the manifest for their records. Note: this is the first copy of the manifest the campus receives.

When Copy 3 of the manifest is returned to ACU, it is attached to Copy 6 and any other records associated with the shipment (i.e. LDR, emergency response information, lab pack inventories, etc) and must be retained on-site for a minimum of three (3) years. The original manifest must also be retained by the EHS officer for a period of three (3) years.

If Copy 3 is not returned to ACU within 45 days, the campus should contact the TSDF to check on the status of the waste shipment and log the contact efforts. If the manifest copy has not been returned within 60 days, ACU should notify legal counsel. As a CESQG, it is not necessary for Abilene Christian University to submit an Exception Report to TCEQ, as this is only a requirement of SQGs and LQGs in TX. Instead, the campus should make every effort to identify the fate of the waste and verify that the waste was delivered to, and received by, the TSDF.

Employees signing manifests on behalf of ACU must be trained in Department of Transportation (DOT) procedures and requirements at least every three (3) years.



Manifests are not required for the off-site disposal of used oil, regulated non-hazardous waste, or biohazardous waste. However, it is a Best Management Practice by both ACU and its vendor to utilize a manifest or Bill of Lading where appropriate to document all off-site shipments of waste materials and recycled, reclaimed, or donated materials. ACU will maintain copies of all waste disposal documents for at least three (3) years. Whereas three (3) years is the required record keeping time period, due to the liability involved with waste disposal, permanent record keeping of waste disposal documents is recommended.

# 3.4 Land Disposal Restrictions (LDR)

Hazardous waste that is restricted from land disposal (see 40 CFR Part 268.7(a)(4)), must comply with the following:

- 1. If a hazardous waste is subject to LDR and does not meet applicable treatment standards, ACU must submit a one-time written notice to each treatment, storage, or disposal facility, which receives the initial shipment of waste. This one-time notice accompanies the manifest and must include the information listed below:
  - EPA hazardous waste code(s);
  - Identification of the waste as a wastewater or non-wastewater;
  - Manifest number associated with the waste shipment;
  - Waste analysis data (if available);
  - For certain wastes, any additional hazardous constituents present; and
  - Where hazardous debris is to be treated by an alternative technology under 40 CFR 268.45, a statement to that effect and the contaminants subject to treatment.

No additional notices are required unless the waste or receiving facility changes.

2. If the waste meets the applicable treatment standards, ACU must submit a one-time notice and signed certification stating that the waste meets the required treatment standards to each treatment, storage or disposal facility that receives the initial shipment of waste. The notice must include the items listed above and the certification, which must be signed by an authorized representative.

Records of the LDR must be retained with the copy of the waste manifest (i.e. staple the original copy of the waste manifest to the LDR statement and the returned copy of the manifest indicating successful shipment to the final disposal facility.) Typically, the hazardous waste vendor used by ACU generates the LDR. However, ACU is ultimately responsible to verify that the LDR is completed and maintained with the manifest in the University's files.



#### 4.0 WASTE IDENTIFICATION, CHARACTERIZATION, AND ANALYSIS

#### 4.1 Hazardous Waste

ACU has identified all known hazardous waste generated on campus by completing a departmentby-department waste stream determination of all generated wastes. Spreadsheets of the completed waste stream determinations (by department) are available in **Appendix B** of the official hard copy located in the Office of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management, as well as in each respective department.

When a new waste is generated at the University, a determination must be made as to whether the waste is hazardous. Faculty and staff's knowledge of the process generating the waste, any associated safety data sheets (SDS), and lab analyses are tools that can be used in this determination.

Solid Waste (see definition in glossary) is a hazardous waste when it is:

- 1. Listed (P-list, U-list, F-list, K-list);
- 2. Characteristic of hazardous waste (ignitable, corrosive, toxic, reactive);
- 3. Derived from hazardous waste; and,
- 4. Mixed with hazardous waste.

The P-list, U-list and F-list are available in **Appendix A**. The K-list is not included, as it applies to specific sectors of industry and manufacturing that are not applicable to ACU. Definitions of the characteristics of hazardous waste are found both in the Glossary of Terms as well as incorporated into Figure 1, located in **Appendix A**.

**Figure 1**, Located in **Appendix A**, includes a flow chart and hazardous waste determination form to aid in waste determination and analysis. This completed form is to be maintained on campus with other documentation related to hazardous waste as proof of waste determination.

# 4.2 Universal, Paint, and Paint-Related Material Waste

According to 40 CFR 273 Subpart A, the following hazardous waste streams may be managed as Universal Waste:

- Hazardous waste batteries (40 CFR 273.2);
- Waste or recalled pesticides (40 CFR 273.3);
- Mercury containing equipment (40 CFR 273.4); and
- Universal waste lamps (i.e. fluorescent lamps, exit sign lights, street lights, and those meeting the characteristics of a hazardous waste) (40 CFR 273.5).

In Texas, Paint and Paint-Related Material (PPRM) is also included as universal waste. Under 30 TAC 335.262, PPRW is defined as:

• Used or unused paint and paint-related material which is "hazardous waste"; and



• Any mixture of pigment and a suitable liquid that forms a closely adherent coating when spread on a surface or any material that results from painting activities.

ACU generates universal waste from the following locations/operations on campus, as identified in **Table 2**.

	Campus Operation/Location		Universal Waste(s) Generated
Art, Art Lab, and Theater		eater	PPRM, batteries, fluorescent lamps
	Maintenance		Spent fluorescent lamps, batteries, PPRM
Sciences			Batteries and mercury containing equipment
	Print Shop		Paint and Paint-Related Material
	Athletics		Batteries

#### Table 2: List of Universal Waste Generated at Abilene Christian University

PPRM – Paint and Paint Related Material

All generated universal waste on the ACU campus is shipped off-site to a regulated facility. Universal waste manifests, or other documents associated with universal waste disposal/recycling are provided for record retention by the EHS officer and copies are retained within **Appendix I** of this WMP. Copies should also be maintained by the generating department (See Section 3.3 of this plan for manifest information).

# 4.3 Unknown Wastes

Occasionally, unknown wastes are generated or discovered. This may occur when a waste is generated from a new process and the waste has not yet been evaluated as to its hazards, or during inventory clean-outs when the original product label is no longer legible. Unknown waste presents a particularly dangerous threat since the hazards are not known. <u>Unknown waste should be treated</u> <u>as hazardous waste until the waste can be characterized.</u>

Professor or student knowledge of the process generating the waste, as well as laboratory analytical procedures, can be used to identify the waste (Refer to **Figure 1 in Appendix A**). Lab analysis, and the associated cost, to perform on the unknown waste may include the following:

- Flashpoint/Ignitability (approximately \$54 per analysis)
- pH/Corrosivity (approximately \$14 per analysis)
- TCLP Volatiles (approximately \$156 per analysis)
- TCLP Semi-volatiles (approximately \$160-\$195 per analysis)
- TCLP Pesticides (approximately \$65 per analysis)
- TCLP Herbicides (approximately \$135 per analysis)
- TCLP Metals (approximately \$65 per analysis)

As with any hazardous waste, unknown waste must be labeled and stored properly. Unknown waste label templates are available in **Appendix C.** For proper methods for the storage of unknown wastes, refer to Section 5.0 for the storage of hazardous waste.



# 4.4 Empty Containers

Empty containers formerly containing hazardous materials may be considered hazardous waste if not managed properly. For containers that have been utilized for the storage of acute hazardous waste (P-listed waste at ACU), the container must be *triple rinsed* to be considered empty and no longer hazardous waste. The rinsate from this process must be collected and waste determinations performed to determine if the rinsate is hazardous. Or, the college may collect the container without triple rinsing, and thus dispose of the container itself as hazardous waste.

For non-acute hazardous waste (U-listed, some F-listed, K-listed and characteristic waste) the container is considered empty if:

- All waste has been removed that can be removed;
- Less than 1 inch of residue remains in the container; or,
- No more than 3% by weight of the total capacity of the container remains in a container sized less or equal to 110 gallons; or,
- No more than 0.3% by weight of the total capacity of the container remains in a container sized more than 110 gallons.

If containers are not "empty" per the requirements listed above, it must be treated as hazardous waste. If the containers meet the regulatory definition of empty, then the containers should be identified as "empty" to verify proper disposal. An empty label template is provided in **Appendix C**.

Empty containers of raw materials or virgin chemicals become wastes when materials are emptied from such containers as reasonably attainable. When this is achieved, the waste rule as noted above applies. Empty containers containing non-hazardous waste materials may be disposed of in the general refuse provided no visible materials remain within the container.

# 4.5 Aerosol Cans

An aerosol can typically becomes waste when 1) the can has lost its spray nozzle before the contents have been completely used; 2) the can runs out of propellant before the contents have been completely used; 3) the generator no longer has a use for that product; or 4) the product has been completely used and the empty, pressurized can remains.

An aerosol can, even one in which its contents have been completely used, by itself is usually considered hazardous waste because it exhibits the characteristic of reactivity (D003) or ignitability (D001). That is, it is capable of detonation or explosive reaction if it is subjected to a strong initiating source *or it is heated under confinement*.

Each department at ACU will establish a storage area for waste aerosol cans. When the storage area is full, or at the end of each semester, a request is made with the Facilities Department to collect the accumulated waste aerosol cans, and transport them to Facilities where the cans are collected. Aerosol cans from Paint and Paint-Related Materials (PPRM) are to be disposed as universal waste. All other cans will be disposed of as hazardous waste.



Aerosol can puncturing devices may be used to completely empty aerosol cans and make them nonreactive. Punctured and drained aerosol cans meet the definition of an empty container and are exempt from management as hazardous waste. The contents of the aerosol cans must be evaluated to see if it needs to be collected as hazardous waste when punctured (i.e. a flammable paint would need to be collected in a container when punctured and identified with a D001 waste code).



# 5.0 WASTE STORAGE

Hazardous waste and universal waste (except for batteries and used mercury containing equipment unless damaged or leaking), by regulation, must ultimately be placed in closed containers. For the purposes of ACU, the majority of hazardous waste is collected in containers, typically in small-scale laboratory bottles (1 ounce to 5 gallons), but also 5, 30 and 55-gallon drums or pales are utilized.

ACU maintains both satellite accumulation areas (SAAs) and central storage areas for the management of hazardous wastes as identified in **Table 3**.

Location of Storage Area	Area Type	Hazardous Waste Accumulated	Storage Area's Owner
Halbert-Walling Research Center: Various Labs	SAA	Hazardous Wastes from sciences: laboratory chemical waste	Faculty generating waste
Chemical storage closet in Halbert-Walling	Central Storage Area	Hazardous Wastes from sciences: laboratory chemical waste	Faculty generating waste
Don H. Morris Center: Various Art Theater	SAA*	Various paints and solvents	Faculty generating waste
Spill Containment Shed: Outside of Don H Morris Center	Central Storage Area	Mineral Spirits and Gamsol	Faculty generating waste
Bennett Gym	SAA	Hazardous Wastes from sciences: laboratory chemical waste	Faculty generating waste

#### Table 3: Accumulation Areas

\* ACU does not generate >55 gallons of hazardous waste in any SAA, therefore there are no Central Storage Areas in these buildings.

# 5.1 Satellite Accumulation Areas For Hazardous Wastes

ACU maintains satellite accumulation areas (SAAs) as identified in **Table 3**. SAAs are not required to be inspected on a weekly basis, but periodic inspections are recommended as a Best Management Practice. Examples of the inspection logs to be performed and maintained are located in **Appendix D**.

Management of these SAAs includes:

- Accumulating no more than 55 gallons of hazardous waste or 1 quart of acutely hazardous waste at any one time;
- Locating the SAA at or near the point of generation (i.e. within the same laboratory or classroom);
- Controlling the containers by the operator(s) of the generating process;
- Marking the containers with the words "hazardous waste" and/or other words identifying the contents of the container (example: Hazardous Waste – Used Halogenated Organic Solvents);



- Dating and moving containers to the central storage area within 72 hours (3 days) of when the 55 gallons (1 quart) limitation is met;
- Closing containers except when adding or removing waste;
- Assuring that all waste containers are in good condition; and
- Assuring containers are compatible with the waste enclosed within.

Appropriate labeling of SAAs is an important component of hazardous waste compliance. Located within **Appendix C**, please find the approved labels to be used on all accumulated wastes stored in SAAs throughout Abilene Christian University's campus. <u>If the satellite container is too small or oddly shaped to accommodate the labels provided, verify that the same information is displayed by other means, such as a hang tag.</u>

# 5.2 Central Hazardous Waste Storage Area

As a CESQG, ACU does not have a certain number of days under which it must dispose of its hazardous waste. However, the University must be considerate of its restriction on the quantity of hazardous waste generated and stored on-site (see Section 3.0) while allowing hazardous waste to accumulate.

ACU maintains central hazardous waste storage areas, as identified in **Table 3**. These areas are clearly identified with signs indicating its function. The storage area is maintained according to the regulations and is inspected on at least a monthly basis. An example of the inspection form is located in **Appendix D**.

Management of the central hazardous waste storage area according to the BMP established in this plan includes:

- Labeling containers with the words "Hazardous Waste" and other words to identify its contents;
- Assuring all containers are marked with an accumulation start date;
- Removing spilled or leaked waste in a timely manner;
- Posting "no smoking" signs where flammable wastes are stored;
- Maintaining adequate aisle space for inspections and movement of emergency equipment;
- Maintaining containers in good condition;
- Storing waste in compatible containers;
- Closing containers except when adding or removing waste;
- Locating ignitable or reactive waste a minimum of 50 feet from property line; and
- Separating incompatible waste by means of a dike, wall, containment bucket, or other separation mechanism and not storing in the same container. (See **Appendix F** for Compatibility Chart).

# 5.3 Universal Waste Storage

The benefits of utilizing universal waste regulations for the management of some hazardous waste includes less stringent regulatory requirements and the ability to store the waste for longer periods of time.



ACU is currently identified and operating as a Small Quantity Handler of Universal Waste (SQHUW). Universal waste is collected in various areas around campus and consolidated at the Maintenance Facility. Example labels that may be used for collection units of universal waste are available in **Appendix C**.

Containers of universal waste should be closed except when adding or removing wastes. <u>Dating the label as soon as the first item of waste is placed within the container</u> is imperative as there is a one-year storage limit on universal wastes. For batteries or mercury devices a clipboard with an accumulation log denoting periodic additions to storage bins is a good way to track the date requirements. Used batteries and mercury-containing devices only have to be in closed containers if leaking or damaged.



# 6.0 WASTE STORAGE AREA INSPECTIONS

Faculty and staff of ACU perform at least monthly inspections of the satellite accumulation areas (SAAs) and central accumulation area (CAAs), also known as the central storage area. The PCB containing equipment inspections are also conducted monthly (see section 12.4 for PCB storage). These inspections are performed by one knowledgeable in the regulations pertaining to hazardous waste and who has participated in annual RCRA Hazardous Waste Training. Examples of the inspections to be completed are provided in **Appendix D** of this WMP. Completed inspections should be maintained for three (3) years.

At the time of the inspection of the CAA, all waste in the storage area will be accounted for on the Hazardous Waste Accumulation Log (Appendix D). The accumulation date and the quantity and type of waste will be listed on the Accumulation Log. When the waste is shipped off site for disposal, the date will be entered into the Accumulation Log. The retention of these records is critical to the University's ability to maintain CESQG status and monitor the applicable regulatory requirements.

Use of this log will provide the necessary documentation to indicate that the waste amounts indicated on a manifest was not all generated during the month the material was disposed. It should be noted that if this log is not accurately maintained to indicate when each container on the manifest was individually generated, and the manifest notes greater than 220 pounds of hazardous waste or 2.2 pounds of acute hazardous waste, CESQG status may be exceeded.



#### 7.0 WASTE DISPOSAL

All hazardous waste that is shipped off-site is accompanied by a manifest, and as appropriate, a land disposal restriction (see Section 3.3 and 3.4). The manifest will list the names of the generator, the transporter, and the receiving facility along with their addresses, telephone numbers, and EPA ID numbers.

When shipping hazardous waste off-site, an inactive or unregistered CESQG can use EPA ID number "TXCESQG".

The generator's copy of the manifest, which has the signatures of the generator and transporter, will be retained by ACU when the waste is shipped. Within sixty (60) days from the day the material was removed from campus, ACU should receive the final copy of the manifest, which contains the signature of the receiving facility. The original copy and the copy returned by the receiving facility are filed on-site in the ACU environmental files for three (3) years. Additional information regarding manifest management is detailed in Section 3.3 of this report.

ACU uses an outside contractor to containerize, mark, label, manifest and ship hazardous waste, non-hazardous waste, used oil, universal waste, and medical/biohazard waste. ACU understands that it is ultimately responsible for all waste generated by the University and using a contractor does not relinquish the University of the responsibilities associated with a generator of hazardous waste.

Manifests are not required for the off-site shipments of used oil, non-hazardous waste, or biomedical waste. However, it is a best management practice for both ACU as a generator and its vendor to utilize a manifest or bill of lading where appropriate to document all off-site shipments of waste materials and recycled, reclaimed, or donated materials.

The activities of the outside contractors will be overseen by the ACU EHS officer. ACU utilizes various vendors for the disposal of waste disposal hazardous waste and universal wastes. ACU sends the disposal out to bid for each event. The Office of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management maintains a current listing of waste vendors and the associated contact information.



#### 8.0 WASTE MINIMIZATION PROGRAM

Since 1984, LQGs and SQGs of hazardous waste have been required to certify on their hazardous waste manifests that it has a "waste minimization program." This certification reads as follows:

I hereby declare that the contents of this consignment are fully and accurately described above by the proper shipping name, and are classified, packaged, marked and labeled/placarded, and are in all respects in proper condition for transportation according to applicable international and national government regulations. If export shipment and I am the Primary Exporter, I certify that the contents of this consignment conform to the terms of the attached EPA Acknowledgement of Consent.

I certify that the waste minimization statement identified in 40CFR 262.27(a) (if I am a large quantity generator) or (b) (if I am a small quantity generator) is true.

EPA regulation 40 CFR 262.27 Waste Minimization Certification specifically states:

A generator who initiates a shipment of hazardous waste must certify to one of the following statements in Item 15 of the uniform hazardous waste manifest:

- (a) "I am a large quantity generator. I have a program in place to reduce the volume and toxicity of waste generated to the degree I have determined to be economically practicable and I have selected the practicable method of treatment, storage, or disposal currently available to me which minimizes the present and future threat to human health and the environment;" or
- (b) "I am a small quantity generator. I have made a good faith effort to minimize my waste generation and select the best waste management method that is available to me and that I can afford."

Regardless of their generator status, ACU will make every effort to reduce the amount of nonhazardous, universal, medical, used oil, E-waste and hazardous waste generated on campus. This will include, but is not limited to, maintaining an inventory control system to avoid the unnecessary accumulation of chemicals.

The EPA has established guidance recommending six key elements that should be incorporated into a waste minimization program. These key elements are:

- Top management support;
- Characterization of waste generation and waste management costs;
- Periodic waste minimization assessments;
- Cost allocation system;
- Encourage Technology transfer; and
- Program implementation and evaluation.

As a Best Management Practice, ACU will practice the key elements recommended by the EPA in the following ways:



Key Element	Implementation
1. Top management support	<ul> <li>This Waste Management Plan was requested by and submitted to the upper management of ACU (Mr. Kris Sutton, Director of Institutional Compliance &amp; Risk Management).</li> <li>ACU trains appropriate employees annually on the waste generated and associated impacts resulting from the way associates conduct their work procedures.</li> </ul>
<ol> <li>Characterization of waste generation and waste management costs</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Waste is characterized according to Section 4 of this Plan.</li> <li>Waste generation is accounted for in the Waste Accumulation Log as described in Section 6 of this Plan.</li> <li>Waste costs are maintained by the EHS Officer (Zach Harmon). Waste agreements and contracts are maintained in the campus-wide Environmental Files.</li> </ul>
3. Periodic waste minimization assessments	<ul> <li>ACU continuously strives for process improvement and optimization to reduce waste and thus reduce costs.</li> <li>ACU recycles waste when possible. Currently the campus recycles electronic wastes.</li> <li>ACU maintains a Chemical Hygiene Plan that outlines chemical procurement procedures to verify that excess chemicals are not purchased which will eventually have to be disposed.</li> </ul>
4. Cost allocation system	<ul> <li>ACU maintains invoices for not only the cost to dispose of hazardous waste, but also the cost of contractors to manage their hazardous waste activities.</li> </ul>
5. Encourage Technology Transfer	<ul> <li>ACU is a member of the Independent Colleges and Universities of Texas (ICUT). Through the foundation, ACU participates in a peer audit program where peers not only audit each other's campus, but also share best management practices, success stories, and opportunities for improvement.</li> </ul>
6. Program implementation and evaluation	<ul> <li>As appropriate, opportunities to reduce waste and optimize efficiency are implemented. This element combines the principles of each of the elements listed above.</li> </ul>



#### 9.0 WASTE MANAGEMENT TRAINING

#### 9.1 RCRA Hazardous Waste Training

As a CESQG, ACU will verify that all employees are thoroughly familiar with proper waste handling and emergency procedures, relevant to their responsibilities during normal facility operations and emergencies. As a Best Management Practice, RCRA hazardous waste training will be conducted annually for those employees who manage and/or handle hazardous waste. **A written description of the training provided along with the roster of the personnel attending the training will be maintained on site for three (3) years or the time of the individual's employment, whichever is longer. The roster of attendees includes the trainee's name and job title.** 

**Appendix E** contains a sample roster that can be used during training. Copies of all training materials and classes completed will be maintained in the campus Environmental Files located at the Office of Risk Management.

Elements of the hazardous waste training may include:

- Hazardous waste determination;
- Manifests;
- Container labeling and securing;
- Waste storage;
- Waste inspections;
- Universal Waste;
- Other waste (medical, e-waste etc.)
- Emergency procedures;
- Emergency equipment; and
- Emergency systems.

# Additionally, the Department of Transportation (DOT) requires that those preparing the waste for shipment and those signing shipping papers for hazardous waste (i.e. manifests) are trained in DOT regulations every three years.

Currently, the following individuals on campus are the only individuals authorized per DOT requirements to sign Hazardous Waste Manifest

- Zach Harmon
- Alli Mae Berry

#### 9.2 Universal Waste Training

A small quantity handler of universal waste must inform all employees who handle or have responsibility for managing universal waste. The information must describe proper handling and emergency procedures appropriate to the type(s) of universal waste handled at the facility. This universal waste training material will be incorporated in the annual RCRA training.



#### 10.0 CONTINGENCY PLAN AND PREPAREDNESS AND PREVENTION

#### **10.1** Campus Operations

The operations at ACU are conducted in a manner to minimize the possibility of a fire, explosion, or any unplanned sudden or non-sudden release of hazardous waste. The Chemical Compatibility Chart (located in **Appendix F**) is used to verify the proper storage of both raw materials as well as waste to verify that the risk of fire, explosion, or release is minimized. Hazardous waste is centrally stored in the Halbert - Walling Research Center. ACU maintains a spill containment drum shed outside of the Don Morris building.

#### **10.2 Emergency Equipment Availability and Maintenance**

The campus is equipped with the following emergency equipment that is maintained and tested to verify its availability in case of an emergency:

*Internal Communications* – Due to the complexities of a college campus, traditional internal communications such as voice paging systems are not practical. However, in some buildings, evacuation alarm bells are automatically activated when fire is detected. The alarm bells can also be activated manually at strategically located pull boxes. The emergency actions of personnel and the evacuation procedures for each building or operating area are usually set forth in the Operation Safety Procedures for each building and posted near the main entrance or fire exit or elevator

*Immediate Communications* – The primary method to immediately communicate an emergency is by way of email and/or text message via the "ACU Alert" system as well as a functional campus phone system that can be used to summon help both internally as well as externally. Cell phones are also available throughout campus. Dedicated resources maintain the phone system and if the system were to not operate, it would be identified immediately.

*Portable fire extinguishers* – Portable fire extinguishers are available throughout the campus. These are visually inspected as a part of the inspections of waste storage areas. The campus uses dry chemical fire extinguishers, which are appropriate to use on class B (flammable liquids) and C (electrical) fires.

*Spill Kits* – Spill kits are available throughout the campus. These are visually inspected as a part of the inspections of waste storage areas.

Location – Spill kits are maintained in the following locations:

- Throughout the Halbert-Walling Research Center;
- Central Plant;
- Rhoden Farm;
- Facility Maintenance;
- Throughout the Don Morris Center;
- Zona Luce Building; and
- University Purchasing.



*Water to suppress fires* – Fire hydrants are available to verify that water in adequate volume and pressure is available to suppress a fire. These hydrants are maintained by the Abilene Fire Department. Most of the buildings were constructed prior to the building code requirements for sprinklers; however, sprinkler systems have been installed in some buildings. In addition, several types of automatic fire detectors are used throughout ACU, according to particular needs and purposes. The fire detectors will detect fire and transmit an alarm to the fire station. The fire department always dispatches fire fighters and apparatus to the scene of many automatically actuated alarms.

# **10.3** Aisle Space

Aisle space is maintained to allow the unobstructed movement of personnel, fire protection equipment, spill control equipment, and decontamination equipment to any area of the campus in an emergency. The pathway to the waste storage area is maintained free of obstruction. In the event of waste being stored in drums, drums would be staged side-by-side and not clumped together in groups in order to clearly identify the drum and its condition. As for the more commonly employed smaller containers of hazardous waste, these are stored in a manner to verify that labels can be identified, and containers accessed to determine condition and respond appropriately. Waste containers are not to be stacked more than two (2) high.

# **10.4** Arrangements With Local Authorities

The local authorities (fire department) are aware of Abilene Christian University's campus and materials stored on-site due to routine fire code inspections. ACU is serviced by the Abilene Fire and Rescue Department and the Abilene Police Department. ACU also maintains its own private police department on campus.

As a CESQG of hazardous waste, it is recommended that ACU attempt to make arrangements with local authorities (Abilene Fire and Rescue Service and the Abilene Police Department) to inform them of the hazards present on-site. As a BMP, a letter as shown in **Appendix G** should be mailed to these departments. Copies of the certified mail and return receipts should be kept for ACU's files.

The hospitals that service the ACU's Campus include:

Hendrick Medical Center	Hendrick Medical Center South
1900 Pine Street	6250 US Highway 83
Abilene, TX 79601	Abilene, TX 79606
(325) 670-2000	(325) 428-1000

# 10.5 Contingency Plan

# **10.5.1** Emergency Procedures

Whenever there is an imminent or actual emergency situation, the emergency coordinator (or his/her designee), must immediately:



- 1. Activate internal alarms or communication systems (i.e. fire pull station) to notify all students and faculty.
- 2. Notify appropriate State or local agencies with designated response roles, if necessary. This would only be necessary if ACU intended to take an active role in the emergency response. It is Abilene Christian University's stance that any serious fire or spill will be handled by professionals and not by ACU employees.
- 3. Whenever there is a release, fire or explosion, the emergency coordinator will immediately identify the character, exact source, amount, and area extent of any released materials. This may be achieved by visual observation or review of facility records or manifests.
- 4. Concurrently, possible hazards to human health and the environment must be identified. Potential exposure effects from direct or indirect exposure must be considered (e.g., toxic, irritating, or asphyxiating gases which may be potentially generated, or the effects of runoffs from water or chemicals used to control fire and heat-induced explosions. This information is readily available within a product's SDS.

If the emergency coordinator determines that the facility has had a release, fire or explosion which could threaten human health or the environment outside the facility, she/he must report their findings as follows:

- 1. Immediately notify appropriate local authorities (see Section 10.5.2) and provide information to the applicable authorities to determine whether areas should be evacuated.
- 2. Immediately notify TCEQ in Austin, Texas or the National Response Center (NRC) whose contact information is provided in Section 10.5.2.

A report to the TCEQ or NRC must be prepared immediately if a release, fire or explosion has occurred, which could threaten human health or the environment outside the facility. This report must include:

- Name and contact information of Emergency Coordinator who responded to the event;
- Name and Address of facility;
- Time and type of incident (e.g., fire, release);
- Name and quantity of material(s) involved, to the extent known;
- Extent of injuries, if any; and
- The possible hazards to human health, or the environment, outside the facility.

During an emergency, the emergency coordinator must take all reasonable measures necessary to assure that fires, explosions, and releases do not occur, recur, or spread to other hazardous waste on campus. If the facility stops operation in response to a fire, explosion, or release, the emergency coordinator must monitor for leaks, pressure buildup, gas generation, or ruptures in valves, pipes, or other equipment, wherever appropriate. Immediately after an emergency, the emergency coordinator must provide for treating, storing, and/or disposing of recovered waste, contaminated soils or surface water, or any other material that results from a release, fire, or explosion at the facility.



The emergency coordinator must verify that no waste that may be incompatible with the released material is treated, stored, or disposed of until all cleanup procedures are complete and all emergency equipment listed in the contingency plan is cleaned and fit for its intended use before operations are resumed.

A report to TCEQ or NRC must be prepared within 15 days after the incident if any release, fire or explosion has occurred at the facility. This report must include:

- Name and contact information of Emergency Coordinator who responded to the event;
- Name and Address of facility;
- Date, time and type of incident (e.g., fire, release);
- Name and quantity of material(s) involved, to the extent known;
- Extent of injuries, if any;
- An assessment of actual or potential hazards to human health, or the environment; and
- An estimated quantity and disposition of recovered material that resulted from the incident.

#### **10.5.2 EMERGENCY COORDINATORS**

At all times, there must be at least one employee either on the campus or on-call with the responsibility of directly coordinating all emergency response measures. This emergency coordinator must be thoroughly familiar with all aspects of the facility's contingency plan, all operations and activities at the facility, and the facility layout. In addition, this person must have the authority to commit the resources necessary to carry out the contingency plan.

In the case of a spill or release the following ACU Staff will serve as the emergency coordinators.

Name	Office Phone	24-Hour Number
Zach Harmon (Primary Emergency Coordinator)	(325) 674-2115	(325) 864-7988
Kris Sutton (Secondary Emergency Coordinator)	(325) 674-6142	(325) 232-1741
ACU Campus Police	(325) 674-2305	

As a BMP, the emergency coordination information (see **Appendix G**) is posted next to the phone at in the following locations:

- Facility Maintenance
- Chemistry Stock Room, Halbert Walling Research Center
- Biology Stock Room, Halbert Walling Research Center



The Emergency Coordinator or Campus Police will contact additional resources from the campus as necessary.

Outside resources to contact in case of an emergency include:

Authority	Phone Number
Abilene Police Department	911 or (325) 673-8331
Abilene Fire and Rescue Department	911 or (325) 690-6723
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality	(800) 687-4040
National Response Center (NRC)	(800) 424-8802
Hendrick Medical Center	(325) 670-2000
Hendrick Medical Center South	(325) 428-1000
Cleanup Contractor: Safety Kleen	1-888-ER-KLEEN (888) 375-5336

#### **10.5.3 EVACUATION PLAN**

- 1. Building Evacuations
  - a. All buildings will be evacuated immediately when an alarm sounds and/or upon notification by responsible authorities and in the residence halls by the residence hall director or resident assistant. Follow the building evacuation plan that is posted in each building.
  - b. When the building evacuation alarm is sounded or evacuation orders are issued, leave the building in a calm, orderly manner via the nearest exit and alert others to do the same.
  - c. ASSIST THE HANDICAPPED IN EXITING THE BUILDING! Once outside, proceed to a clear area that is at least 500 feet away from the affected building. Keep streets, fire lanes, hydrant areas and walkways clear for emergency vehicles and personnel. Know your assembly points and familiarize yourself with evacuation plans posted in your building.
  - d. Do not return to an evacuated building unless told to do so by a college official.
  - e. A Campus Emergency Command Post may be set up near the emergency site. Keep clear of the command post, unless you have official business.



f. Take the roster of individuals who occupy the building and report to the command post that all are accounted for and all is clear.

**IMPORTANT**: After any evacuation, report to your designated assembly area. Stay there until an accurate headcount is taken.

- 2. Campus Evacuation
  - a. Evacuation of all or part of the campus will be announced.
  - b. All persons (students, faculty, staff and visitors) are to immediately vacate the site in question and relocate to another part of the campus or off campus as directed.



#### 11.0 HAZARDOUS WASTE REPORTING

#### **11.1 Export Notifications**

ACU does not export hazardous waste.

#### **11.2 Exception Reports**

As a CESQG, ACU is not required to submit exemption reports.

#### **11.3 Specific Reports**

As a CESQG, ACU is not required to submit specific reports.

Nonindustrial CESQGs such as ACU that generate less than 220 pounds of Class 1 waste do not need a OTS Texas waste code. Per 30 Texas Administrative Code 335.503(b)(6), those facilities should assign their own numbers using "CESQ" as the four-digit sequence number of the Texas waste code and "CESQG" as the generator ID number. If the waste is hazardous, "TXCESQG" should be used as the EPA ID number.

If ACU begins routinely generating hazardous waste over the CESQG above-stated amounts, the University must send TCEQ the Initial Notification Package to register a new facility. The Initial Notification Package consists of the Core Data Form (TCEQ-10400), the Notification for Hazardous or Industrial Waste Management Form (TCEQ-00002), and the Notification of Regulated Waste Activity Form (EPA-8700-12). Forms can be downloaded from the TCEQ Web site at <a href="https://www.tceq.texas.gov/cgi-bin/comm\_exec/forms.pl">https://www.tceq.texas.gov/cgi-bin/comm\_exec/forms.pl</a> .



#### 12.0 OTHER WASTES

#### 12.1 Used Oil

Used Oil is defined as *any oil that has been refined from crude, or any synthetic oil, that has been used and as a result of such use is contaminated by physical or chemical impurities.* Used oil that is *recycled* is regulated under 40 CFR Part 279. Used oil under this regulation does not include antifreeze, kerosene, vegetable oil, animal oil, kitchen grease, and petroleum distillates.

Used oil may be considered hazardous waste and must be managed in accordance with the previous sections of this plan if:

- The used oil has been mixed with a listed hazardous waste;
- The used oil has been mixed with a characteristic hazardous waste and still meets the characteristics of the hazard; and
- Contains greater than 1,000 ppm (0.1%) of total halogens and the presumption of being mixed with a listed hazardous waste cannot be rebutted.

#### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR USED OIL:

- 1) Storage: Used oil must be stored in containers or tanks that are in good condition and not leaking.
- 2) Labeling: Containers and any associated fill pipes must be labeled with the words "USED OIL."
- 3) Response to release: Upon detection of a release of oil, a facility must:
  - a) Stop the release;
  - b) Contain the released oil;
  - c) Clean up and manage properly released oil and associated cleaning and absorbing materials; and
  - d) Repair or replace any leaking oil storage container or tanks prior to returning them to service.

#### USED OIL GENERATED AT ACU:

Used oil generated at ACU includes lubricating oil, hydraulic fluid, compressor oil, mineral oil, coolants, cutting oils and metal working fluid resulting from maintenance activities associated with boilers, compressors, and elevators as well as vehicles. The additional requirements for facilities that burn used oil in space heaters do not apply since ACU currently does not burn used oil in on-site oil-fired space heaters. ACU follows all the requirements listed above and consolidates all used oil at the Facility Maintenance area. The University uses a used oil vendor for the disposal/recycling of its used oil:

Safety Kleen 4234 Oil Belt Lane Abilene, TX 79605 (325) 692-7589



#### **12.2 Medical Waste (Biohazardous Waste)**

The TCEQ defines medical waste as being one of the following:

- Animal waste;
- Bulk human blood and blood products;
- Pathological waste;
- Microbiological waste; or
- Sharps.

Certain categories of medical waste may not be disposed of in sanitary landfills or may be disposed of only after the waste has been treated or packaged in certain ways:

- Sharps must be securely packaged in puncture-proof containers prior to landfilling;
- Cultures and stocks of infectious agents and associated biologicals must not be landfilled unless and until they have been treated (e.g., autoclaved, incinerated) to render them non-infectious;
- Human blood and blood products and other body fluids may not be landfilled. This restriction
  applies to bulk liquids or wastes containing substantive amounts of free liquids, <u>but does not
  apply</u> to simply blood contaminated materials such as emptied blood bags, bandages, or
  "dirty" linens; and
- Recognizable human organs and body parts may not be landfilled.

#### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR MEDICAL WASTE:

- 1) Mixing: Medical waste must not be mixed with other wastes.
- 2) Storage: Medical wastes must be stored in a manner and location as to minimize exposure to the public; protected from animals, wind and rain; and as to not provide a food source for insects and rodents.
- 3) Sharps Storage and Labeling: Sharps must be stored in rigid containers identified with either the words "medical waste," "biohazard," or "infectious" and/or the universal symbol for biohazard (愛). These containers are to remain closed except when adding or removing wastes.
- 4) Medical Waste (other than sharps) Storage and Labeling: Medical waste must be placed in containers which are impervious to moisture and have the strength sufficient to preclude ripping, tearing or bursting under normal conditions. These containers remain closed except when adding or removing waste. Additionally, these containers are to be labeled clearly with either the words "Medical Waste," "Bio-hazardous," or "Infectious" and/or contain the universal symbol for biohazard (2).
- 5) Bagged Medical Waste Disposal: Biological wastes and Petri dishes may be autoclaved onsite and then disposed in the general trash.
- 6) On-Site Medical Waste Treatment:
  - a) A generator of medical waste that <u>treats all or part of the wastes on-site in quantities of</u> 50 pounds or less per calendar month shall maintain a written record that, at a minimum, contains the following information:



- the date of treatment;
- the method/conditions of treatment;
- the amount of waste treated;
- the name (printed) and initials of the person(s) performing treatment; and
- if applicable, name, address, telephone number, and registration number of the entity providing treatment.
- b) If more than 50 pounds of medical wastes are treated on-site per calendar month, additional requirements apply. In addition to the items above, these facilities must also have a written procedure for the operation and testing of any equipment used, a written procedure for the preparation of any chemicals used in treatment, and performance testing.
- c) All treatment facilities are also required to notify the TCEQ of the operation of an approved treatment process unit used only for the treatment of on-site generated medical waste. A sample letter has been included in Appendix N of the WMP.
- 7) Off-Site Medical Waste Disposal:
  - a) Generators of medical waste that <u>ship their waste off-site for treatment</u> are required to:
    - Properly package and label it as specified in 30 TAC 330.1207(c).
    - List the weight of each medical-waste container (using general use scales) on the generator label as specified in 30 TAC 330.1207(c)(5)—prior to transportation off-site—in order to allow for its complete tracking.
    - Place bags containing medical waste in a rigid container that is leak resistant, impervious to moisture, strong enough to prevent tearing and bursting under normal use and handling, and sealed to prevent leakage or as otherwise required by the U.S. Department of Transportation under 49 CFR 173.134. Cardboard boxes that are designed for medical waste and conform to 49 CFR 173.134 is acceptable to use for medical waste.
    - Obtain a signed shipping receipt from a registered transporter, maintain records of all shipments of untreated medical waste sent off-site for three years, and make the records available for inspection by the TCEQ.
    - Obtain a receipt from the medical-waste treatment facility certifying that the waste has been properly treated and must also maintain these records.

#### MEDICAL WASTES GENERATED AT ACU:

ACU generates medical waste (sharps, bagged medical waste) from various laboratories located in the Halbert - Walling Research Center (biology labs), Teague Special Events Center (athletic trainers) and Royce & Pam Money Student Recreation and Wellness Center, ACU Medical Care Center (health services). Medical waste storage, labeling, treatment and disposal practices at ACU are conducted in accordance with regulatory requirements listed above.



Most medical laboratory waste is periodically treated by sterilization in an autoclave. Written records are maintained in the area of treatment, which documents each sterilization event. A sample log is provided in **Appendix D** of this plan.

#### **12.3 Asbestos Containing Material**

ACU personnel are not licensed or accredited to conduct an asbestos survey, nor are ACU personnel licensed or certified to remove asbestos containing materials (ACM). As required under the National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollution (NESHAP) Standards, in the event demolition or renovation activities are conducted at the ACU campus, ACU is required to conduct an asbestos survey prior to these activities to identify any ACM in the work area.

In the event ACM is identified in a proposed work area by a licensed or accredited Asbestos Inspector, ACU must comply with all appropriate removal and notification requirements. ACU should request copies of all contractors licenses as well as a copy of the final report to include a waste manifest documenting the proper disposal of the ACM to an approved disposal facility. Pertinent copies should be permanently retained within the campus Environmental Files. Under no circumstances should ACU store waste materials associated with the abatement or removal of ACM.

#### 12.4 Polychlorinated Biphenyl (PCB) Waste

According to 40 CFR 761, all persons who manufacture, process, distribute in commerce, use, or dispose of PCBs or PCB items are subject to requirements for disposal and labeling of PCB containing equipment. The most common PBC containing equipment found on campuses include but are not limited to dielectric fluids located within transformers and in the capacitor of fluorescent lamp ballasts.

#### GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR PCB WASTES:

A facility that owns PCB containing equipment must comply with the following requirements:

1) Storage Labeling: Each storage area used to store PCBs and PCB Items for disposal shall be marked as illustrated in Figure 1 in 40 CFR 761.45(a) as shown below.



2) Dated Records: PCB Items shall be dated on the item when they are removed from service for disposal. The storage shall be managed so that the PCB Items can be located by this date.



- 3) Disposal: Any PCB waste shall be disposed of within 1-year from the date it was determined to be PCB waste and the decision was made to dispose of it.
- 4) Inspection: All PCB Items in storage shall be checked for leaks at least once every 30 days. Any leaking PCB Items and their contents shall be transferred immediately to properly marked, non-leaking containers. Any spilled or leaked materials shall be immediately cleaned up and the materials and residues containing PCBs shall be disposed of in accordance with 40 CFR 761.61.
- 5) Documentation: Records of inspections, maintenance, cleanup and disposal must be maintained in accordance with 40 CFR 761.180(a) and (b).

#### PCB WASTES GENERATED AT ACU:

ACU does not own the transformers located on-site; however, the University does have fluorescent light ballasts throughout the facility. These ballasts on-site are evaluated for the potential PCB content based on the guidance given in 40 CFR 761.2. If the ballast is marked "non-PCB" it may be either recycled or disposed in the general trash. If the ballast is not marked "non-PCB it is assumed to be PCB containing. Once the PCB content has been determined, ACU follows the proper labeling and storage requirements listed above. All generated PCB waste on the ACU campus is shipped offsite to a regulated facility. Waste manifests are provided for record retention by the EHS officer within **Appendix M** of this WMP, with copies maintained by the generating department.

#### 12.5 E-Waste

E-waste is a general category for electronic products facing displacement or replacement that are hazardous due to the toxic metals present within their internal materials, coatings and glass. E-waste may include personal computers, monitors, televisions, keyboards, printers, telephones, typewriters, calculators, copiers, fax machines and audio equipment. There are commodities worth capturing in E-waste plus there are traditionally toxic materials in electronics that should be kept out of the environment and properly managed.

#### **GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR E-WASTES:**

A waste stream determination should be completed for e-waste to determine if it should be considered a regulated hazardous waste. Based on the outcome of the waste stream determination, the waste must be handled and disposed as deemed appropriate. Generators of e-waste also have the option of utilizing reclamation and recycling vendors to manage their e-waste.

#### **E-WASTES GENERATED AT ACU:**

E-waste generated at ACU includes but is not limited to personal computers, monitors, televisions, keyboards, printers, telephones, and other office equipment. The ACU Information Technology Department (IT) holds an annual auction open to the students and the community to auction refurbished and non-operational e-waste.

Detailed documentation is maintained regarding each auction lot sold. These documents indicate a description of the lot, the date of the auction, and a signed agreement that the purchased lot must be taken off ACU campus.



#### 12.6 Special Waste

Special waste is any solid waste that requires special handling and disposal because of its quantity, concentration, physical or chemical characteristics, or biological properties. These include:

- Municipal hazardous waste from conditionally exempt small-quantity generators may be accepted at a Type I or Type IAE landfill provided the amount of waste does not exceed 220 lb (100 kg) per month per generator;
- Municipal wastewater treatment plant sludges, other types of domestic sewage treatment plant sludges, and water-supply treatment plant sludges;
- Liquid wastes from municipal sources that are treated or processed to eliminate free liquids and tested in accordance with 30 TAC 330.171(c)(7);
- Grease-trap and grit-trap wastes;
- Slaughterhouse wastes;
- Dead animals;
- Empty pesticide (insecticide, herbicide, fungicide, or rodenticide) containers that have been triple rinsed and rendered unusable; and
- Certain discarded materials containing asbestos as detailed in 30 TAC 330.171(c)(3) and (4). Regulated asbestos-containing material may be accepted for disposal at a Type I or Type IAE landfill. Non-regulated asbestos-containing materials (non-RACM) may be accepted for disposal at a Type I, Type IAE, Type IV, or Type IVAE landfill.

#### SPECIAL WASTES GENERATED AT ACU:

Special wastes that could be generated at ACU include but are not limited to periodic animal carcasses from laboratory dissections, grease trap wastes, and potential ACM. The Office of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management should be contacted prior to disposing special wastes for review of current environmental requirements. Grease trap wastes are removed by a third-party vendor that is contracted by ACU. Special wastes should be managed and transported to contain odor and then covered immediately at an MSW landfill.



#### 13.0 GENERAL HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DISSECTION OF ANIMALS

While chemical hazards may be the most obvious safety concern in the science classroom, biologyrelated activities present their own risks. This section discusses some biological hazards and suggests ways of reducing associated risks at ACU.

General steps for managing risks include:

- Always choose the safest chemicals possible;
- Being aware of potential dangers;
- Instructing students in proper handling procedures; and,
- Using appropriate protective equipment when required.

Potential risks to accidental infections in handling specimens and cultures consist of:

- Scratches and contact with an animal tissue;
- Cuts or scratches from contaminated glassware;
- Cuts from dissecting instruments;
- Spilling or dropping cultures; and,
- Airborne contaminants entering the body through the respiratory tract.

#### 13.1 Dissection

Dissection is an integral part of biology that attracts a lot of student curiosity and interest. Animals and/or organs for dissection come in either preserved or fresh form. Two potential hazards that exist from performing dissections are infections and accidental cuts from sharp scalpels.

#### 13.2 Preserved Specimens

Specimens should be removed from the shipping solution using gloves and tongs and rinsed thoroughly with water before proceeding. If smaller numbers of specimens are required, vacuum-packed specimens may be an alternative. Disposal of alcohol-based preserved specimens can be done via routine solid waste disposal (I.e., trash/local landfill).

#### 13.3 Formaldehyde and Formalin-Preserved Specimens

Specimens sold for dissection now commonly come in an alcohol-based solution, avoiding the need to use formaldehyde or formalin. Formaldehyde and/or formalin-preserved specimens are still available but MUST NOT BE PURCHASED. Although cheaper than non-formaldehyde preservatives, the health risks and the cost to dispose of the liquids and tissues means that formaldehyde/formalin should not be in schools.

#### **13.4** What to do with existing Formalin/Formaldehyde Preserved Specimens

Dissection specimens containing formalin or formaldehyde must not be used and need to be disposed of through a government-approved waste facility. ACU may still have plastic containers of old preserved specimens that could hold formalin or formaldehyde. These specimens must be removed



from the school immediately to avoid the risk of a plastic container rupturing and contaminating the laboratory. For display specimens preserved in a formalin solution, there are chemicals that can be used to eliminate the formaldehyde, but the process is laborious and costly. It is recommended that these specimens be replaced.

#### **13.5** General Hazards of Equipment and Techniques of Dissection

To minimize risks during dissections, consider the following safety precautions:

- Use preserved specimens or inspected animals or animal parts. Do not use specimens preserved in formalin or formaldehyde-based preservatives.
- Use disposable dissecting gloves.
- Whenever possible, students should use dissecting trays to reduce contaminating student work areas.
- Discard remains of fresh specimens or alcohol-based preserved specimens in double bags or doublestrength bags in regular trash away from student access.
- Clean equipment, wipe lab benches, and wash hands with a commercial cleanser after a dissection.
- A 10% bleach solution can be used to sanitize student desks.

#### **13.6** Cleanliness in Biology lab

Areas where organisms are kept or cultured must be given special attention with regards to cleanliness.

General safety guidelines to consider include the following:

- Do not store or consume food in these areas
- Wash all used surfaces with a disinfectant (E.g., bleach) after each activity.
- Contact your local health authority, or science supply distributor for appropriate disinfectants.
- Clean shelves, cupboards, animal cages, autoclaves, fridges, and other items at weekly intervals using an appropriate disinfectant.
- Wash hands after handling any kind of organism(s).

If an autoclave is not available, sterilize equipment used in microbiology by boiling in a pressure cooker for 10 to 15 minutes. The heat provided by a microwave, on the other hand, is not uniform enough for this purpose. An ultraviolet light cabinet can be used to sterilize external surfaces. Liquid disinfectants and germicidal agents generally will not provide complete sterilization.

#### **13.7** General Guidelines for Lab Waste Drain Disposal

ACU can only pour liquids that will not interfere with sewage treatment operations. Organic solvents should be collected in a container with a tight-fitting lid and labeled as hazardous waste. Corrosive liquids, such as strong acids and bases, should be disposed of as hazardous waste. However, if appropriately diluted to a pH between 5.5 and 10.5 these can go down the drain.

- No corrosive pH levels.
- No grease or oil.
- No solids, sludges or viscous substances.
- No radioactive waste and
- No hazardous chemical waste.



## APPENDIX A WASTE STREAM DETERMINATION AND ANALYSIS FLOW CHART



### WASTE STREAM DETERMINATION FORM

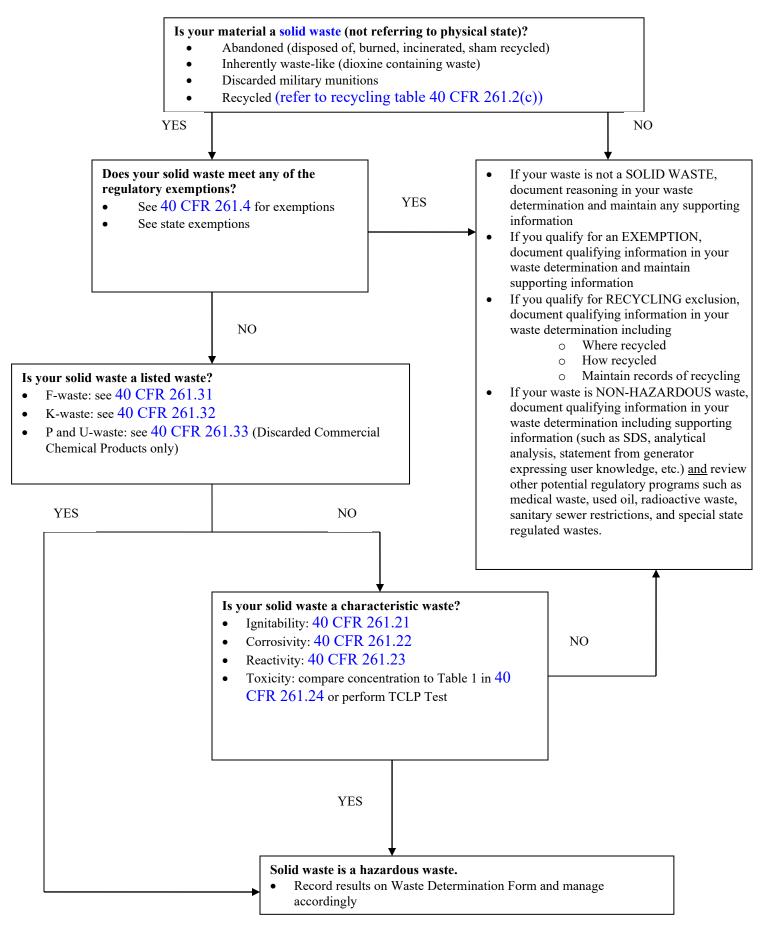
WASTE DESCRIPTION:			
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Generation Location:	Total Q	Quantity and/or Estima	ated Generation Rate:
WASTE PROPERTIES, CHARACTE	RISTICS, and CONSTI	TUENTS:	
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Reactivity:	PCB Content:	Toxic Constitu	ients (see TCLP list)
<ul> <li>Normally unstable</li> <li>Reacts violently with water</li> <li>Forms potentially explosive mixtures with water</li> </ul>		Name of Constituent	ppm or mg/L Concentration
<ul> <li>Forms toxic gases or vapors when mixed with water</li> <li>Forms cyanide or sulfide gasses when exposed to pH &lt;2, &gt;12.5</li> <li>N/A</li> </ul>	Listed:           P or U-list**           K-list           F-list           N/A		

**REMARKS** Attach all applicable documentation describing the waste (e.g. process knowledge statement, SDS, sample protocol and analysis, etc.):

chemical products only

FINAL DETERMINATION:         Hazardous       Non-hazardous         Prohibited by POTW       Other (d)		Waste 🗌 Used Oil	
COMPLETED BY:	DEPARTMENT:	CONTACT No.:	DATE:

### WASTE STREAM DETERMINATION FORM



## **APPENDIX B** COMPLETED WASTE STREAM DETERMINATIONS



# **APPENDIX C** WASTE LABEL EXAMPLES

Example of blank and completed Universal Waste Label Example of blank and completed Non-Hazardous Waste Label

Example of blank and completed Central Accumulation Area (CAA) Label and Template

Example of other Commonly Used Labels

(All labels are formatted to use with Universal Laser Printer Labels, 80108) CAA/SAA Label Template Unknown Waste Label Template Empty Container Label Template Biohazardous Waste Label Template Universal Waste Label Template





Example of blank and completed Universal Waste Label

#### Example of blank and completed Non-Hazardous Waste Label





FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITS IMPROPER DISPOSAL FEDERAL LAW PROHIBITS IMPROPER DISPOSAL IF FOUND, CONTACT THE NEAREST POLICE OR PUBLIC SAFETY IF FOUND, CONTACT THE NEAREST POLICE OR PUBLIC SAFETY AUTHORITY OR THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY. AUTHORITY OR THE U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY GENERATOR INFORMATION: NAME Generic College GENERATOR INFORMATION: NAME ADDRESS 123 College Street \_\_\_\_\_PHONE 800)123-4567 ADDRESS PHONE STATE CT ZIP 06032 CITY College Town CITY\_ STATE \_\_\_\_ ZIP\_\_\_ ACCUMULATION 12 10 200 MANIFEST TRACKING NO. ACCUMULATION MANIFEST NO. 123456789ABC WASTE NO. DOO2 EPA ID NO. CTD000123456 Waste Corrosive Liquids, N.O.S., 8, UN 1760, (Sulfuric Acid, Hydrochloric Acid HANDLE WIT HANDLE WITH CARE! CARE STYLE WME

#### Example of blank and completed CAA and Template

#### EPA I.D. Number:

Campus	EPA ID Number			
Abilene Christian University	TX CESQ			

**Manifest Document No.:** As listed on the manifest for the shipment, it will be an alphanumeric number consisting of 9 numbers and 3 letters.

**Accumulation Start Date:** Date waste was first placed in the container OR date the satellite accumulation container filled to container capacity or 55 gallons (whichever is smallest).

**DOT Proper Shipping Name:** Refer to the Hazardous Materials Table of the DOT regulations and/or refer to previous manifests

**EPA Waste Code:** Refer to the completed waste stream determinations



#### **Example of other Commonly Used Labels**

THI	s Container On <mark>Hold</mark> Pending Analysis
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CONTACT	
	NOT TAMPER WITH CONTAINER UTHORIZED PERSONNEL ONLY
	BRADY SIGNMARK® DIV.













#### Satellite & Central Accumulation Area Labels

<b>Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material</b>	<b>Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material</b>					
Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste	Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste					
Waste Description:	Waste Description:					
Contact Name:Ext. #	Contact Name:Ext. #					
Lab/Room Number:	Lab/Room Number:					
Date placed in central storage area:	Date placed in central storage area:					
Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!	Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!					
Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material	Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material					
Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste	Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste					
Waste Description:	Waste Description:					
Contact Name:Ext. #	Contact Name:Ext. #					
Lab/Room Number:	Lab/Room Number:					
Date placed in central storage area:	Date placed in central storage area:					
Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!	Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!					
Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material	Chemical Waste/ Unwanted Material					
Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste	Circle One: Hazardous Waste Non-Haz Waste					
Waste Description:	Waste Description:					
Contact Name:Ext. #	Contact Name:Ext. #					
Lab/Room Number:	Lab/Room Number:					
Date placed in central storage area:	Date placed in central storage area:					
Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!	Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!					

#### UNKNOWN WASTE Pending Analysis

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If Solid:	Water Soluable (yes/no) Reactive with water (yes/no) pH in Water: Flammability:	If Solid:	Water Soluable (yes/no) Reactive with water (yes/no) pH in Water: Flammability:
If Liquid:	pH of solution: Reactivity: Miscibility: Flammability:	If Liquid:	pH of solution: Reactivity: Miscibility: Flammability:
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If Liquid:	pH of solution: Reactivity: Miscibility: Flammability:	If Liquid:	pH of solution: Reactivity: Miscibility: Flammability:
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## EMPTY CONTAINER

Previous contents:\_\_\_\_\_

(Note P-waste code as appropriate)

Department/Lab No.:\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name/Number:

Triple Rinsed? (circle one)YESNOMust be triple rinsed if an acute hazardous waste

Empty defined as: less than 1 in residue, no more than 3% by weight of the total container (container  $\leq 110$  gallons) and no more than 0.3% by weigh of the total container (container > 110 gallons)

### EMPTY CONTAINER

Previous contents:\_\_\_\_\_\_(Note P-waste code as appropriate)

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## EMPTY CONTAINER

Previous contents: (Note P-waste code as appropriate)

Department/Lab No.:\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name/Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Triple Rinsed? (circle one) YES NO
Must be triple rinsed if an acute hazardous waste

Empty defined as: less than 1 in residue, no more than 3% by weight of the total container (container  $\leq 110$  gallons) and no more than 0.3% by weigh of the total container (container > 110 gallons)

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### EMPTY CONTAINER

Previous contents:		
(Note P-waste code as appropria	ate)	
Department/Lab No.:		
Contact Name/Number:		
Triple Rinsed? (circle one) Must be triple rinsed if an acute hazard	YES dous waste	NO

Empty defined as: less than 1 in residue, no more than 3% by weight of the total container (container  $\leq 110$  gallons) and no more than 0.3% by weigh of the total container (container > 110 gallons)



BIOHAZARDOUS WASTE

Waste Description (circle one):

Sharps anatomical remains blood soaked material

Other (describe)

Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!



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#### TX Universal Waste Labels

#### UNIVERSAL WASTE

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Circle One: Batteries Paint/Paint Related Material	Circle One: Batteries Paint/Paint Related Material				
Hg Equipment Lamps Pesticide	Hg Equipment Lamps Pesticide				
Date Waste Generated: (dispose <1 yr)	Date Waste Generated: (dispose <1 yr)				
Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!	Waste container must be CLOSED when not adding or removing waste!				

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#### UNIVERSAL WASTE

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# **APPENDIX D** INSPECTION AND GENERATION LOGS

SAA Inspections Central Hazardous Waste Storage Area Inspections Hazardous Waste Accumulation Log Autoclave Log



Abilene Christian University Satellite Accumulation Area (SAA) Inspection Log										
Department:				SAA Waste	e Descriptior	ו:				
Room/Lab No.:		Owner of Process Generating the waste:								
Date:										
Inspector's Name:										
Are containers Closed?										
Are containers labeled with the words "Hazardous Waste" or other words that identify its contents?										
Is there less than 1 quart of acute waste or less than 55 gallons of all other hazardous wastes?										
If no to above, is the container dated with 3 days and moved to the centralized accumulation area?										
Is the waste at or near the point of generation (i.e. same room or lab?)										
Is the waste under control of the person generating the waste?										



ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY CENTRAL ACCUMULATION AREA (CAA)					
Date:			HAZARDOUS WASTE STORAGE AREA INSPECTION SHEET Location:		
	INSPECTION ITEMS	YES	NO	If NO, list the discrepancy, how and when was the discrepancy corrected? By whom? Was root cause fixed? Amount of time dedicated to fix the problem? Use additional sheets if necessary.	
1.	How many containers and what types of wastes are stored in the area (continue list on back of inspection if necessary)?				
2.	Are container(s) in good condition?				
3.	Are container label(s) clearly visible?				
4.	Are container(s) labeled "Hazardous Waste" and with other words which identify the contents?				
5.	Is hazardous waste accumulation limited to less than 2,200 pounds or less than 2.2 pounds of acutely hazardous waste?				
6.	Is the initial accumulation date marked on each container?				
7.	Is waste compatible with the container?				
8.	Are incompatible wastes kept separate?				
9.	Is proper aisle space maintained in order to identify any leaking or damaged containers?				
10.	Is the area clean (no signs of spillage) and are containers non-leaking?				
11.	Is appropriate equipment located nearby and fully functional (i.e. fire extinguisher charged, spill kit fully stocked)?				
12.	Are container(s) properly closed?				
13.	Is the intended amount of spill-absorbent material readily available in case of an emergency?				
14.	Has monthly generation remained less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste and less than 2.2 pounds of acutely hazardous waste?				
15.	(Maintenance Only) Is PCB storage area maintained (labeling, dating and non-leaking).				
	***UPDATE WAS	TE ACC		ATION LOG***	



ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY HAZARDOUS WASTE ACCUMULATION LOG					
Department:		Lab/Class Room Number:			
Date Placed into Storage	Waste Description	EPA Waste Code	Quantity (pounds)	Date Shipped Off	

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY 1600 CAMPUS COURT ABILENE, TEXAS 79699 AUTOCLAVE LOG					
Location of Autoclave:					
Name/Model Number of Autoclave:					
Date	Material Autoclaved	Approximate Amount (in lbs)	Name (printed)	Signature (Initials)	Date Last Calibrated



## APPENDIX E RCRA HAZARDOUS WASTE TRAINING ROSTER AND PREVIOUS TRAINING ATTENDANCE RECORDS



#### ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY Annual Hazardous Waste Training

Training Date(s):\_\_\_\_\_

Trainer's Name (print):\_\_\_\_\_

Trainer's Name (signature):\_\_\_\_\_

Trainee's Name (print)	Trainee's Title

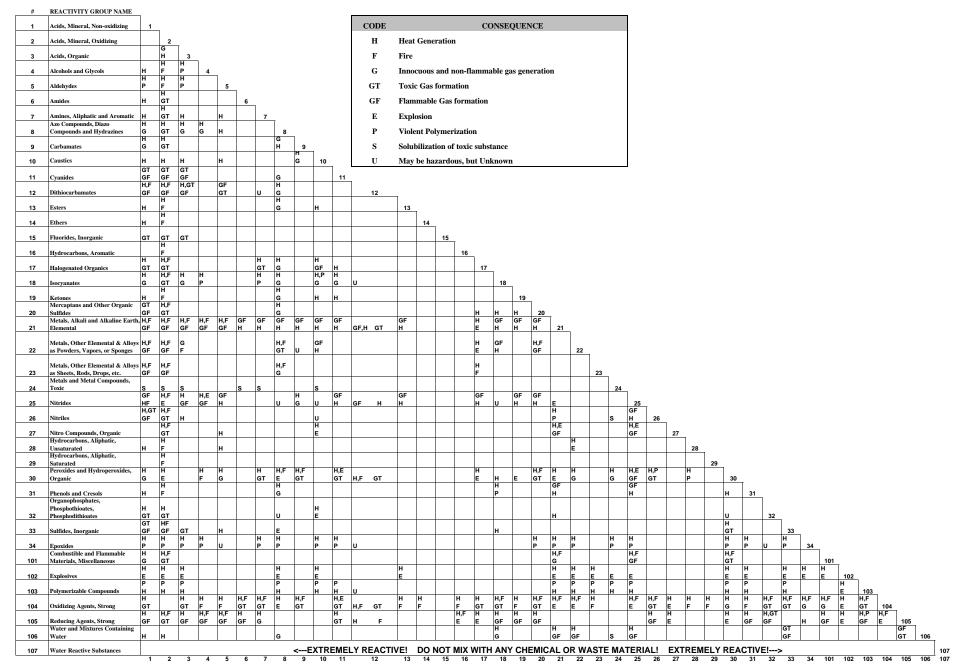


# APPENDIX F CHEMICAL COMPATIBILITY CHART



#### EPA's Chemical Compatibility Chart EPA-600/2-80-076 April 1980 A METHOD FOR DETERMINING THE COMPATIBILITY OF CHEMICAL MIXTURES

Please Note: This chart is intended as an indication of some of the hazards that can be expected on mixing chemical wastes. Because of the differing activities of the thousands of compounds that may be encountered, it is not possible to make any chart definitive and all inclusive. It cannot be assumed to ensure compatibility of wastes because wastes are not classified as hazardoas on the chart, nor do any blanks necessarily mean that the mixture cannot result in a hazard occurring. Detailed instructions as to hazards involved in handling and disposing of any given wastes should be obtained from the originator of the waste.



## APPENDIX G ARRANGEMENTS WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES



August 13, 2021

Abilene Fire/Rescue Department Attn: Chief Cande Flores 250 Grape Street Abilene, TX 79601-5607

Abilene Christian University Attn: Chief Jason Ellis ACU Box 28010 1634 Campus Court Abilene, TX 79699

Hendrick Medical Center Attention: Administrator 1900 Pine Street Abilene, Texas 79601

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to serve as notification that Abilene Christian University, located at 1600 Campus Court, Abilene, Texas, generates and stores hazardous waste on site prior to disposal. The types of hazardous waste generated at Abilene Christian University include laboratory waste, used and obsolete laboratory chemicals, and used paints and solvents.

Abilene Christian University maintains a Waste Management Plan and Chemical Hygiene Plan. As such, in case of an emergency, the emergency coordinators on campus are:

Mr. Zach Harmon	Mobile (325) 864-7988
Primary Contact	Work (325) 674-2424
Mr. Kris Sutton	Mobile (325) 232-1741
Secondary Contact	Work (325) 674-6142
Campus Police	(325) 674-2305

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kris Sutton Director of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management Abilene Christian University



# **APPENDIX H** HAZARDOUS WASTE MANIFESTS



# **APPENDIX I** UNIVERSAL WASTE MANIFESTS



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## APPENDIX J E-WASTE MANIFESTS AND CERTIFICATES OF RECYCLING



# APPENDIX K USED OIL MANIFESTS



# APPENDIX L MISCELLANEOUS DISPOSAL DOCUMENTS



# **APPENDIX M** PCB WASTE MANIFESTS



## APPENDIX N SAMPLE NOTIFICATION OF MEDICAL WASTE TREATMENT



August 13, 2021

Director/Manager – MC-124 Municipal Solid Waste Permits Section - MC 124 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P. O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

Dear Director/Manager:

Please accept this letter as notification that Abilene Christian (ACU) operates a medical waste treatment unit to treat only on-site generated medical waste as defined in 30 TAC 330.1205(b). This notification is submitted as required by 30 TAC 330.11(f). The treatment unit utilizes steam sterilization which is an approved method in accordance with 25 TAC 1.133(b)(4).

ACU generates less than 50 pounds of medical waste per month, as such, the university maintains the following records:

- date of treatment;
- amount of waste treated;
- method/condition of treatment; and
- the name and initials of person performing treatment.

Please contact me if you have any questions or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Mr. Kris Sutton Director of Institutional Compliance & Risk Management Abilene Christian University

