

Retail Hazardous Waste Compliance

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Course Objective

Retailers

- Basic training on retail hazardous waste program management and compliance
- Opportunity to benchmark with Ulta Beauty's hazardous waste team

CUPAs

 Better understanding on the challenges of hazardous waste compliance from a retailer's perspective



Poll Question #1 (Multiple Choice)

- What is your background?
 - Retailer
 - CUPA
 - Fire Agency
 - Other

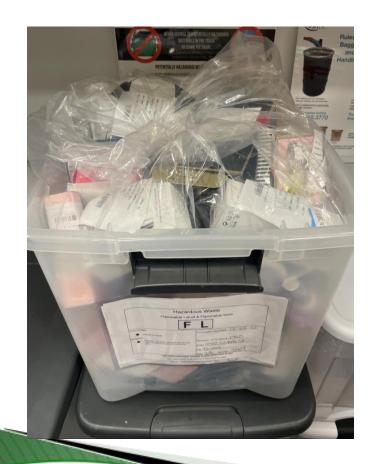


Traditional Hazardous Waste





Retail Hazardous Waste









The Ulta Beauty Team

- 168 Retail Stores in California
 - 1,360 stores nationwide
 - Stores in all 50 states
- 1 Distribution Center in California
 - 6 DCs and FFCs nationwide
- ≈6,800 Associates in California
 - ≈50,000 Associates nationwide





Ulta Beauty's Hazardous Waste Compliance Journey

- 2013 2016
 - Emerging program
- 2016-2018
 - Maturing program
 - Focus on closing compliance gaps
- 2018 Present
 - Mature program
 - Focus on beyond compliance (training, auditing, recordkeeping)



Poll Question #2 (Multiple Choice)

- Retailers: Where are you on your compliance journey?
- CUPAs: In the field, what do you see most frequently in retail stores:
 - Emerging Program
 - Maturing Program
 - Mature Program



Poll Question #3 (Word Cloud)

 What are the biggest challenges for managing a retail hazardous waste program?



Challenges in Retail Hazardous Waste

- Multiple facilities across the state/country
- Complex regulations
 - Requirements vary by jurisdiction
- Tens of thousands (or more) SKUs
- Potential for high fines
- Limited backroom space in stores
- High level of staffing turnover
- Staff has little to no previous hazardous waste experience

- Shared dumpsters with other retailers
- Midnight dumpers
- Reliant on 3rd parties to classify SKUs as hazardous
- Program is expensive
 - Disposal costs
 - Training
- Need internal alignment and support from cross-functional partners



Internal Stakeholder Alignment Needed for a Successful Program

- EHS/Compliance
 - Program development
 - Hazardous waste vendor management
- Operations
 - Task management
 - Allocate payroll for program management
- Legal
 - Approve contracts
 - Research laws and regulations

- Merchandising/Brands
 - Waste classification
 - Destroy in field orders
- IT
 - Include hazardous waste classification in systems
- Finance
 - Budget
 - Pay invoices
- Human Resources
 - Accountability
 - Training





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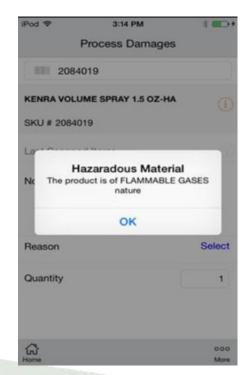
Identifying Hazardous Waste

- Is it a Solid Waste?
 - A waste is a discarded material that can no longer be used for its intended purpose.
 - Solid, liquid, semi-solid, contained gas
- Is it a Hazardous Waste?
 - Hazardous waste is a waste with properties that make it potentially dangerous or harmful to human health or the environment.
 - Characteristic, listed, used oil
 - In California, the generator must determine if the waste meets the criteria of hazardous waste as defined in the California Health & Safety Code, 22 CCR.
 - Acutely hazardous, extremely hazardous, non-RCRA, special waste, universal waste



Hazardous Waste Determination

- Generators are required to profile and characterize waste to determine if it is a hazardous waste
- There are many ways retailers determine if a waste is "hazardous"
 - Generator knowledge
 - Industry information
 - Safety Data Sheets
 - Testing





What is Retail Hazardous Waste?

- Damages
 - Guest Returns
 - Damaged products in store
 - Damaged products in transit
 - Expired products
- Destroy in Field Orders
- Testers
- Spills
- Cleaning supplies

- Lightbulbs, Batteries
- E-waste (computer monitors, printers)
- Pharmaceuticals/Medical
 Waste
- Used Oil



Hazardous Waste Area in a Retail Store

- Area should be set to a specific planogram
- Neat, clean and organized
- Separate containers for different waste streams
- Spill kit
- Hazardous waste supplies
- Manifest records accessible
- Training records accessible
- HMBP elements accessible, if applicable





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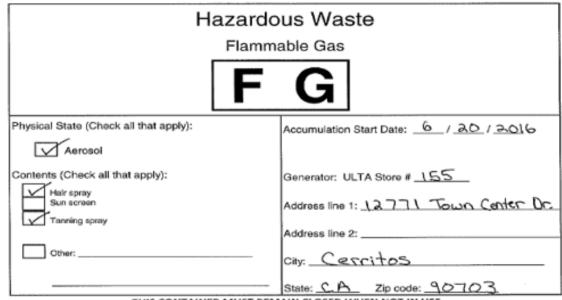
Hazardous Waste Area in a Retail Store - Cont'd

- Container Management
 - Properly labeled
 - No cracks, damaged, dented or leaking containers
 - Different containers for separate waste streams
 - No comingling of separate hazardous waste streams
 - Containers must be closed expect when adding or removing waste
- Weekly inspections are required
 - Records of weekly inspections not required



Hazardous Waste Labels

- Each container needs a separate label
- All fields on the label must be filled out when the first item is placed inside the container
- Words "hazardous waste"
- Generator information
- Hazardous properties of the waste
 - Flammable, toxic, corrosive
- Physical state of the waste
 - Liquid, solid, gas
- Composition of waste
- Accumulation start date



This label is NOT to be used as a DOT shipping label.



Hazardous Waste Manifests

- Manifests are records of the amount and type of waste that is picked up at the point of generation
 - Cradle to grave
- Generator is required to retain 3 years of manifest records
- Always checked by CUPA inspectors
 - Store employees who implement program must have knowledge of how to access manifests
- Person signing manifests on behalf of generator must have hazardous waste and DOT training



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Employee Training

- Federal
 - SQG and LQG annual training required
 - VSQG annual training not required
- California
 - Annual training required for employees that implement hazardous waste program
- Facilities with HMBPs are required to maintain 3 years of training records

- What store employees should be trained? Do they:
 - Determine if a waste item is hazardous?
 - Add materials to hazardous waste containers?
 - Clean up spills?
 - Fill out hazardous waste labels?
 - Perform weekly inspections?
 - Prepare hazmat packages for shipment?
 - Sign manifests?





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EPA ID Numbers

- Federal EPA ID Number
 - Required for all SQGs and LQGs
- California State ID Number
 - Required for ALL sites that generate hazardous waste
 - Register through DTSC or RCRAInfo
 - Recommended to register one month before the site opens

State of California
PERMANENT STATE ID NUMBER APPLICATION
DTSC Form 1358 (Revision 12/2021)
IMPORTANT: Please read the instructions before

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IMPORTANT: Please read the instructions before completing this form. Fill out this form completely and accurately. Incomplete and inaccurate forms will be rejected. All fields are required except those indicated as optional.

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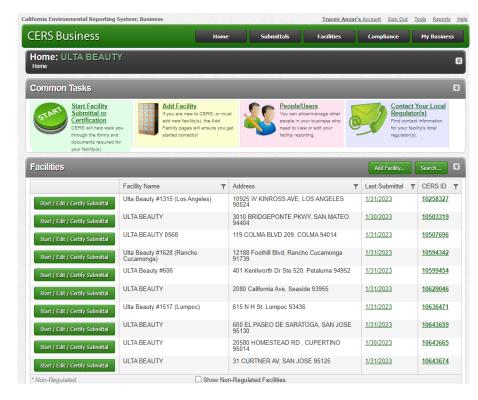


CERS – California Environmental Reporting System

CERS registration is required for every site that generates hazardous

waste

- Required information:
 - Owner / Operator information
 - Business activities
 - HMBP (Hazardous Materials Business Plan)
- Annual Renewal
 - Deadlines vary by county, but most are due by March





HMBP – Hazardous Materials Business Plan

- Applicability
 - 55 gallons (liquids)
 - 500 pounds (solids)
 - 200 cubic feet (compressed gas)
 - Aggregated per type of material, not the sum of all materials
- Chemical inventory
- Site map
- Training records
- Contingency plan
- Property owner notification letter



Emergency Procedures

- Contingency plans in place
- Employee knowledge
- Emergency coordinator
- Spill response / control measures











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Compliance Auditing

- Required: Weekly inspection of hazardous waste area
 - Containers, labels, no co-mingling of incompatible waste and satellite accumulation, if applicable
 - Every 7 days
- Best Practices: multiple, redundant, independent audits
 - Loss Prevention, Store Operations, EHS, Internal Audit, Store Self-Audits
 - Proactive dumpster audits





Poll Question #4 (Multiple Choice)

- What is the most common violation you have issued (if you are a CUPA) or that you have received (if you are a retailer)?
 - Missing/Incorrect Manifests
 - Lack of Training
 - Broken/Damaged/Leaking Containers
 - Permitting
 - Lack of Weekly Inspections
 - Comingled/Incompatible Waste in Containers



Inspections – Tips for Retailers

- Check identification of anyone claiming to be an inspector
- Always stay with inspector, take pictures and notes
- Recommendation: Have an internal inspection reporting process for stores to notify Corporate EHS Team
 - Report within 24 hours
 - Notify District Managers and Loss Prevention Managers



Inspections – Tips for Retailers - Continued

- Corporate EHS Team should be the point person for all responses
- Check CERS weekly for any inspections on Compliance page



- Keep an inspection log
- Save all inspection reports
- Give recognition to stores that pass inspections



Inspections – Tips for CUPAs

- Schedule inspections in advance, when possible
 - Retailer staffing runs lean
 - Allows retailer to schedule someone to accompany CUPA
 - Gather information / paperwork in advance
 - Have identification ready to show
 - Speak to your audience
 - Store employees may not be familiar with technical industry terms such as "HMBP" or "CERS"



Inspections – Tips for CUPAs - Continued

- Reach out to Corporate EHS contact for technical questions (check CERS)
- Send a copy of the inspection report to Corporate EHS contacts
- AVOID inspections during Holiday time (Thanksgiving through New Years)
 - This would be the time to inspect every other industry, not retail
- Share any positive feedback with the store or Corporate EHS teams
- Provide guidance to retailers with emerging programs





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Distribution Center Hazardous Waste Compliance

- Most DCs are either SQGs or LQGs
- Key differences for DCs
 - Accumulation time
 - o 180 days or 90 days
 - Higher volume of hazardous waste
 - Workforce tends to have more technical experience regarding hazardous waste regulations





Distribution Center Hazardous Waste Compliance –Cont'd

- Less employee turnover
- Department of Transportation labeling
- Larger containers
 - Gaylords / 55-gallon drums
- Secondary containment
- Satellite accumulation





Key Takeaways for Retailers

- Partner with your CUPA for guidance, questions and interpretations
- Benchmark with other retailers
 - RILA, NRF, CUPA Conference
- Audit, Audit, Audit!
 - Especially dumpsters
- Over comply whenever possible
- Make your program easy to operationalize



Key Takeaways for CUPAs

- Speak to your audience during inspections
 - Retail Store Team vs. Corporate EHS Team
- Schedule inspections in advance
- Avoid inspections during Holiday
- Know that most retailers take hazardous waste compliance extremely seriously





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QUESTIONS?

