PREVENT STORMWATER CONTAMINATION



Best Management Practices for Liquid Waste Recyclers



Individual Drum/Container Storage

- Ensure container/drums are in good condition. Store waste materials in materially-compatible drums. Use Containers that meet National Fire Protection Association guidelines.
- Put individual containers on pallets. Limit stack height of individual containers/drums.
 Provide straps, plastic wrap around stacked containers to provide stability.
- Comply with NFPA guidelines for segregation of flammable wastes.
- Provide adequate clearance to allow material movement and access by material handling equipment.
- Provide semi-permanent or permanent cover over wastes.
- Establish clean-up procedures, including the use of dry absorbents for all spills or leaks.
- Prohibit washing down of material storage areas. Disconnect or seal all floor drains from storm drain system.
- Develop Spill Prevention Countermeasures and Control procedures for all liquid container storage areas. Ensure employees are familiar with SPCC procedures.
- Provide secondary containment, dikes, berms, containment trench, sumps or other equivalent measures in all storage areas.

Bulk Liquid Storage

- Use welded pipe versus flange connections. Inspect all flange gaskets for deterioration.
- Apply corrosion inhibitors to exposed metal surfaces.
- Provide high-level alarms for storage tanks.
- Provide piping, valves, pumps, motors, as necessary, at all pumping stations.

- Provide manually activated shutoff valves in the event of spill. Install and/or audible alarms in the event of a spill.
- Install manually activated drainage valves versus flapper-type drain valves.
- Provide security against vandalism and tampering.
- Provide secondary containment around all bulk storage tanks, including berms, dikes, surface impoundments or equivalent. Ensure surfaces of secondary containment areas are adequately sealed to prevent leaks.
- Provide stationary boxes around all return and fill stations to eliminate/minimize hose drainage and minor waste transfer spills.

Waste Transfer Areas

- Provide secondary spill containment or equivalent measures for all waste containers.
- Establish clean-up procedures for minor spills including the use of dry absorbents.

Inspections

- Conduct inspections of all material storage, handling and transfer areas.
- Document signs of corrosion, worn parts or components on pumps and motors, leaking seals and gaskets.
- Conduct periodic nondestructive testing of all bulk storage tanks for signs of deteriorating structural integrity.

Prevent Maintenance

 Conduct periodic preventive maintenance of all structural controls. Replace worn parts on components on valves, pumps and motors per manufacturer's recommendations.

Vehicle Maintenance (if applicable)

- Establish an inventory of materials used in the maintenance shop that could become a potential pollutant source with stormwater runoff, (e.g. fuels, solvents, oils, lubricants).
- Store and dispose of oily rags, filters (oil and air), batteries, engine coolant, transmission fluid, used oil, brake fluid and solvents in a manner that minimizes potential contact with runoff and in compliance with State and Federal regulations.
- Provide good housekeeping measures.
- Conduct inspections of work areas for compliance with BMP's.
- Label and track recycling of waster materials, (e.g. batteries, solvent, used oil).
- Drain oil filters before disposal or recycling.
- Drain all fluids from all parts or components that will become scrap material or secondhand parts.
- Store liquid waste materials in compatible containers.
- Store and dispose used batteries in accordance with scrap lead acid battery program.
- Disconnect all floor drains connected to storm drain system.
- Prohibit non-stormwater discharges, (e.g. dumping of used liquids down floor drains and wash down of maintenance areas).

Vehicle Cleaning (if applicable)

- Avoid washing vehicles and equipment outdoors.
- Use biodegradable, phosphate free detergents.
- Recycle wash water.
- Provide vehicle wash rack with dedicated sediment trap.
- Use auto shut-off valves on washing equipment.

Training

- Provide employee training on appropriate storage and disposal of waste materials.
- Provide employee training on proper material handling and storage procedures.
 Require familiarization with applicable SPCC measures.

Storm Drains are for Rain Water, Pure and Simple.

If Spill Occur:

- Stop the source of the spill immediately.
- Contain the liquid until cleanup is complete.
- Deploy oil containment booms if the spill may reach the water.
- Cover the spill with absorbent material.
- Keep the area well ventilated.
- Dispose of clean-up materials properly.
- Do not use emulsifier or dispersant.



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