



U.S. EPA's Aerosol Can Best Practice

Adding Aerosol Cans to the Universal Waste Regulations

- The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is adding hazardous waste aerosol cans to the universal waste program under the Federal Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) regulations. This change will benefit the wide variety of establishments generating hazardous waste aerosol cans, including puncturing the can to remove contents ensuring aerosol cans are RCRA empty, and then disposing of the empty aerosol can through a recycling program.
- What Does This Mean for the Archdale Facility?
 - We are no longer required to puncture aerosol cans
 - We are no longer required to recycle empty aerosol cans
 - Cleaner and safer process
 - Less time and resources required
- To accommodate the new EPA rule, we have purchased 55-gallon Open Top Poly/Plastic Drum with a lever-lock ring for non-empty aerosol can collection. The non-empty aerosol waste container is in the outside hazardous waste accumulation and storage area.
- Please see the EHS Manager with any questions concerning the new rule.

Old practice



Best practice

