

Hazardous Materials Fact Sheet Chemical Collection

Chemical Collection Tags:

Two-part tag - Top part is secured to container after it's full; bottom half is mailed to EHS. This is one basis for identification of the chemical, which enables EHS to properly dispose or recycle. Call EHS for tags and instruction sheet.

Basic Rules for Chemicals that will be handled by EHS:

Mark containers to describe contents

Label as "Used " or "Unused" as applicable. (*Used* means you've used it in a process and are done with it. *Unused* means that you haven't used it for anything, but no longer need the chemical.)

Don't label containers with the words "Waste" or "Spent". (These words have specific regulatory meanings. EHS is responsible for determining if a used or excess chemical is a regulated hazardous waste.)

Choose containers that are in good condition. Transfer the contents to another container if the first container is not in good shape.

Choose containers that are compatible with the contents (e.g. no corrosives in metal containers).

Keep containers closed except when adding or removing chemical..

Use tight fitting lids.

Don't place chemicals in an unwashed container that previously held an incompatible chemical.

Separate incompatible chemicals in storage, and tag unneeded chemicals for collection.

In case of spills, contact EHS. In the case of an emergency involving spills, pull the fire alarm and follow Department procedures. Contact EHS when you reach a safe location.