

Used Oil and Filter Disposal

Used Oil: Create a segregated storage area or container. Label the container "Used Oil Only". Maintain a written log to document all amounts and types of oil added to the container. No solvents, or oil contaminated with solvents, PCB's or any other material should be added to the container. Analytical costs will be charged back to the department if a problem is encountered. Limit access to the container so that there is no chance that anything but used oil is added to the container. When the container is full, contact EHS for collection. When possible, EHS will arrange for used oil to be recycled.

Used Oil Filters: Used oil filters can contain up to 12-16 ounces of oil when they are removed. Therefore all oil filters must be punctured on the dome end and hot drained for 24 hours. "Hot drained" means that the filters are drained immediately after being taken off a hot engine. Crushing or dismantling the filters will remove even more of the oil. Filters that are drained and/or crushed, and are "non-terne-plated" may be disposed in the regular garbage. Contact the oil filter manufacturer to ensure that the filters are "non-terne-plated", and make a record of the conversation. It is strongly recommended that the used filters be recycled. Contact EHS if you would like more information on recycling oil filters.

Used Fuel Filters: Used fuel filters may exhibit the characteristic of ignitability or toxicity. All used fuel filters should be collected and given to EHS for proper disposal.