



Using environmentally-friendly products and practices is good for the environment, good for your health, and can save time and money! Just make a couple of changes:

Use Green Products

- 1 Keep employees healthy and on the job!**
Use brake and carb cleaners that are non-chlorinated and low VOC. Constant exposure to chlorinated cleaners is hazardous for workers. There are alternatives that work and are lower in VOC and contain no chlorinated chemicals.
- 2 Save time and money with parts washers!**
Use parts washers and get rid of the petroleum naphtha sinks. Save time by not washing parts manually. Washers can use aqueous solutions with enzymes which are safer and long-lasting. Solvent usage is reduced because there's less evaporation, and solvent is filtered and reused. Test the spent solvent and filters for heavy metals and hazardous chemicals before disposal. You may need to use a certified hazardous waste disposer.
- 3 Save more money by using LEDs!**
Use LED lighting and motion detectors. LEDs last a long time, saving maintenance costs. Motion detectors make it easy to "remember" to turn off lights when they're not needed. LEDs come in different color temperatures to suit your preference. The price is reasonable and OPPD offers rebates.

Change to Green Processes

- 4 Save money!**
Pre-clean parts prior to washing. Use a wire brush to knock off the big particles before cleaning with a solvent. Consider having a two-stage cleaning system — in the dirtiest solution first, followed by the cleaner parts washer.
- 5 Make your shop safer!**
Prevent spills and clean those that happen quickly. Use drain pans and funnels to transfer liquids. When a spill happens, clean with a squeegee and oil-resistant dustpan — no need for kitty litter or floor dry.
- 6 Order in bulk for convenience and savings!**
Order motor oil, antifreeze, and solvents in bulk. You'll save money and reduce trash. Reusable, refillable spray cans can be pressurized with air.

Questions?

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