Chapter 17: Hazardous Waste

Quick Start Summary

1 Who needs to know about these requirements

The requirements of Hazardous Waste apply to workers (as generators and custodians), supervisors, line management, and the program manager; and Fleet Services, Facilities, and Waste Management. They cover determination, collection, storage, labeling, tracking, disposal, and treatment of hazardous (including common and office), universal, and industrial waste.

2 Why

All such waste must be managed and disposed of following stringent requirements. Failure to do so may result in harm to people, property, and the environment; regulatory action; and disruption to SLAC operations.

3 What do I need to know

Hazardous material becomes waste when it is not appropriate for further use. Waste is considered hazardous if it has hazardous characteristics or is classified as hazardous by federal or state regulations.

Hazardous waste must be collected, stored, labelled, and tracked following requirements that vary by type (hazardous, universal, and industrial). Waste is tracked to ensure it is removed within the accumulation time limit. (Tracking is begun by contacting the Waste Management Group, which will provide appropriate containers and labels.)

Disposal is generally handled by Waste Management. Collection and storage, including weekly inspection of collection areas, is the responsibility of workers, as generators and custodians.

4 When

These requirements take effect 20 June 2014.

5 Where do I find more information

SLAC Environment, Safety, and Health Manual (SLAC-I-720-0A29Z-001)
- Chapter 17, “Hazardous Waste”

Or contact the program manager.