

Santa Barbara City Fire Department - Standard Operating Procedures <b>Emergency Operations</b>		Code: <b>E-IX-8</b>
<b>Waste Disposal</b>		
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## **I. PURPOSE**

- A. Understand the disposal process for waste material from fire department grounds.
- B. Prevent excessive accumulation of waste material on fire department grounds.

## **II. WASTE DISPOSAL PROCESS**

- A. Waste materials on fire department grounds should not exceed 20 gallons or 200 pounds. Once waste material is recognized as requiring disposal from fire department grounds fire personnel should determine most appropriate method of disposal. If the material does not have an obvious label personnel should place a label on the product for easy recognition.
- B. Notification to shift Battalion Chief should be made prior to arranging for disposal. When waste products can be safely transported by fire department personnel, coordination with the Warehouse Specialist (734) should be considered.
- C. Inspections should be performed during the first Sunday of each January, to minimize accumulation of waste material on fire department grounds.
- D. Station Captains are responsible for ensuring the inspection has been completed and information submitted to their respective Battalion Chief.

## **III. DISPOSAL RESOURCES**

- A. Marborg Industries Recycling Center (located at 119 North Quarantina Street) will accept the following materials:
  - 1. Oil
  - 2. Water based paints
  - 3. Antifreeze
  - 4. Batteries
  - 5. Computers/mixed media
- B. Marborg Industries may be contacted at 805-963-1852. The Marborg Recycling Facility is open 6 days a week (Monday – Saturday, 7am – 5pm).

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- C. Battery/small electronics recycling bins are assigned to each fire station. When bins become full personnel should contact Sue Sadler (Santa Barbara City Environmental Services) at 805-564-5686. (Monday – Friday, 9am – 2pm)
  
- D. When disposing of materials not accepted at the Marborg site, but can be transported safely, personnel should contact the UCSB Community Hazardous Waste Collection Facility at 805-882-3602. The facility is located at Building 565, Mesa Road, on the UCSB campus. Hours of operation are Friday (by appointment), Saturday (9am – 3pm) and Sunday (11am – 3pm). Materials accepted at this location include:
  - 1. Gasoline
  - 2. Diesel fuel
  - 3. Oil absorbent pads
  - 4. Acids
  - 5. Pesticides/herbicides
  - 6. Cleaners
  - 7. Explosives
  - 8. Radioactive materials
  
- E. In cases where disposal may include a larger risk of handling or transportation, disposal can be coordinated by contacting the Public Works personnel (638) through the Fire Department Dispatch Center or by calling 805-963-4286 (7am – 3:30pm).
  
- F. If the disposal exceeds the capabilities of Public Works, fire personnel should consider contacting North State Environmental at 909-875-9288.
  
- G. If material is explosive and North State Environmental determines that the material is too dangerous for transportation, the Santa Barbara County Bomb Squad should be requested through Fire Department Dispatch Center.
  
- H. Black Gold Industrial can be contacted for disposals of high risk materials. Black Gold's weekly hours are Monday – Friday, (8am – 5pm). Black Gold's phone number is 805-981-4616. Information for on-call personnel can be heard on the voice message. Materials not accepted by Black Gold are:
  - 1. Explosives
  - 2. Radioactive materials
  - 3. Biohazard materials

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- a) Cases involving these materials should be considered dangerous and should consider an emergency response. (ref. [E-IX-I](#) Hazmat Responses)

### I. Disposing of biohazard materials can be coordinated by contacting:

1. Medical Waste Environmental Engineers – 805-925-6633
2. Stericycle – 805-783-7422
3. For disposal of needles or filled sharps containers contact:
  - a) Santa Barbara County Public Health Department Santa Barbara Clinic at 805-681-5380 (open Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 5:00pm)
  - b) Santa Barbara County Public Health Department Franklin Clinic at 805-568-2099 (open Monday – Friday, 8:00am – 12:00pm and 1:00pm to 5:00pm)
  - c) Waste disposal procedures should be available to all fire personnel involved with station maintenance [R-I-2](#). Disposal costs vary depending on materials and labor.

## IV. REFERENCES

- A. SBFD SOP [R-I-2](#) - Station Maintenance
- B. SBFD SOP [E-IX-I](#) - Hazmat Responses
- C. City of Santa Barbara Portal website/Sustainable Santa Barbara/Waste & Recycling - <http://portal/C8/Recycling/default.aspx>