



Get the Facts: **Used Aerosol Can(s) Management**

Types of Used Aerosol Cans

- Paints, Solvents, Pesticides, Food Products, Personal Care Products and Inhalers.
- Empty cans must also be disposed of properly.

Handling & Storage and Requirements

- Most aerosols cans be stored together. Please separate chlorinated solvents and pesticides into separate containers.
- Used or spent aerosol cans **must** be stored in a container that is:
 - Sturdy, closeable, and designed to prevent releases into the environment.
 - Kept closed unless adding used aerosol can(s).
 - Stored indoors, away from floor drains and away from sources of heat.
 - Aerosol cans that show evidence of leakage must be packaged in a separate closed container and labeled properly.
 - Labeled with “Used Aerosol Can(s)” and the Accumulation Start Date: This the date the first aerosol can was removed from service and placed into the container.
- Aerosol cans be stored on site for no more than 1 year. It is recommended to have them removed for disposal well in advance of that.

Training

- All employees who manage used aerosol cans must be informed of the proper handling and emergency procedures. That may entail covering this document with them, but it should be documented.

Disposal

- Clifton Campus and University locations: Submit a pick-up request using EHSO’s Online Chemical Waste Request System. Contact EHSO at chemwaste@emory.edu if you don’t find your location in the system. Requests should be submitted within 6-months of the accumulation start date.
- All other Healthcare sites: Please email your waste vendor directly and cc: chemwaste@emory.edu to schedule a waste pick-up.

Emergency Response Procedures

- If you are handling any aerosols that are leaking, use the appropriate cleaning procedures for that material and ensure all waste is collected. The contaminated cleaning material must be placed in a separate waste container for proper disposal.