



EPA Has Revised Hazardous Waste Regulations

Who is affected by this rule change?

Hazardous Waste Generators, Transporters, Treatment Storage and Disposal Facilities, and Environmental Consultants will be impacted by this rule change.

Why is DEP issuing this advisory?

The EPA Administrator signed the final Hazardous Waste Generator Improvements Rule on October 28, 2016, and it was published in the Federal Register on November 28, 2016. The rule will become effective on May 30, 2017. According to the EPA, the goal of this update is to make the rules easier to understand, facilitate better compliance, provide greater flexibility in how hazardous waste is managed, and close gaps in the regulations. The EPA further states that this rule will:

- Allow some generators to avoid higher generator status when generating episodic waste;
- Allow Very Small Quantity Generators to send its hazardous waste to a Large Quantity Generator under control of the same entity;
- Enhance safety of facilities, employees, and the general public by improving hazardous waste communication and ensuring emergency management requirements meet today's needs; and
- Reorganize the regulations so that they are all in one place.

What compliance assistance is available?

General rule information:

<https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/final-rule-hazardous-waste-generator-improvements>

Rule as posted in the Federal Register:

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2016/11/28/2016-27429/hazardous-waste-generator-improvements-rule>

Listen to a webinar:

https://clu-in.org/conf/tio/hwgenerators_113016/

Fact sheet:

<https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/fact-sheet-about-hazardous-waste-generator-improvements-final-rule>

Frequently Asked Questions:

<https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/frequent-questions-about-hazardous-waste-generator-improvements-final-rule>

COMPLIANCE ADVISORY

Who should I contact with questions?

USEPA

Office of Resource Conservation and Recovery
1200 Pennsylvania Ave., NW (5305P)
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<https://www.epa.gov/hwgenerators/forms/contact-us-about-hazardous-waste-generators>

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Where can I get more information?

Hazardous Waste Training Opportunities: <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/enforcement/cetraining.html>

Hazardous Waste Enforcement Webpage: <http://www.state.nj.us/dep/enforcement/hw.html>

Contact NJDEP: <http://www.nj.gov/cgi-bin/dep/contactdep.pl>

DEP Data Miner: <http://www.nj.gov/dep/opra/online.html>

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