

Commercial Hazardous Waste

Broome County Division of Solid Waste Management Hazardous Waste Collection Facility

A cost-effective disposal option for small businesses and institutions in Broome & Tioga Counties.

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What Is Hazardous Waste?

You may be just one of many small businesses, agencies and institutions who produce hazardous waste. Wastes produced in daily activities or outdated materials in storage may have one or more of the following hazardous characteristics:

- Ignitability (such as paints, solvents, and degreasers)
- Corrosivity (such as acids and heavy-duty cleaners)
- Reactivity (such as bleaches and oxidizing agents)
- Toxicity (such as pesticides and herbicides)

Improper disposal of hazardous waste can pollute water resources, increase risks to human health and safety, and adversely affect sewage treatment.

To reduce these risks and to provide a safe and **cost efficient disposal option**, Broome County operates a Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. Wastes are handled by trained personnel and disposed of in an environmentally safe way.

Who Can Participate?

Broome and Tioga County businesses which produce less than 220 pounds (100 kilograms) of hazardous waste, and less than 1 kilogram (2.2 pounds) of acutely hazardous waste per month are considered conditionally exempt small quantity generators (CESQG.s) of hazardous waste. Businesses, agencies and institutions which fall into this category and generate waste within Broome County are eligible to use the Hazardous Waste Collection Facility. If you are unsure of your eligibility, please call 607.763.4305 to determine if your waste can be accepted.

THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS ARE ACCEPTABLE:

(This is a general list, please call 607.763.4305 for specifics)

- paints & varnishes
- solvents, cleansers & degreasers
- acids & bases
- pesticides & herbicides
- dry-cell batteries
- photocopy chemicals
- photographic chemicals

- laboratory chemicals
- dry cleaning chemicals
- pool cleaners & chemicals
- oils & lubricants

Most types of materials are accepted at the Facility. Please note the exceptions below:

THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE:

- radioactive materials
- medical or infectious waste
- shock sensitive materials (e.g. picric acid, crystallized ethers)
- smoke detectors
- asbestos
- explosives

How Does It Work?

Registration

Materials are accepted at the facility by PERMIT AND APPOINTMENT ONLY. To use the facility you must first call 607.763.4305, Monday through Friday, to begin the registration process.

Fees

An annual permit fee of \$40.00 will be charged to Broome County businesses and agencies that use the facility. The annual permit fee for Tioga County businesses and agencies is \$80.00. Once permitted, a \$.75 per pound fee will be charged for all hazardous waste brought to the facility for disposal. No other fees are incurred. (Note: All disposal fees must be paid before another appointment can be made.)

How Can I Use the Facility?

First Time Users

There are a few steps you need to follow to use the facility for the first time. You must first call 607.763.4305 to start the process. Once you have called, several steps will follow:

Step 1: You will receive both a Permit Application and a Waste Registration form from the Division of Solid Waste Management.

Step 2: Complete the Permit Application and return it with the permit fee to the Broome County Division of Solid Waste Management (see address below).

Step 3: Complete and return the following to the Broome County Division of Solid Waste Management by mail or fax:

- a) Waste registration Form
- b) Material safety data sheets (MSDSs) for all materials listed on the Registration form.

Step 4:

You will receive a confirmation letter in the mail stating the time and date of your appointment to drop-off wastes; this will include packing and transportation information, and your annual Permit Card.

Step 5: On the time and date of your scheduled appointment, bring your wastes to the Hazardous Waste Collection Facility located at the Nanticoke Landfill. Be sure to display your Permit Card on the dashboard of your vehicle. You must also bring the yellow copy of your Waste Registration Form and your Confirmation Letter to your appointment. This will help staff quickly process your materials.

Step 6: At the facility, wastes will be removed from your vehicle and weighed to determine the disposal fee. A bill will be mailed to your company, for payment within 30 days of receipt.

Direct all correspondence to:

Broome County Landfill
286 Knapp Road
Binghamton, NY 13905
Phone: 607.763.4305
Fax: 607.763.1724

Permitted Users

Once you have completed steps 1-3, you are a permitted user for that calendar year. As a permitted user, you need only to fill out a new Waste Registration Form and send it in for each subsequent appointment. Any "new" wastes registered must be accompanied by the MSDS sheets for that material. You will be sent a permit renewal application prior to the expiration of your current permit.

Checklist

Please note: Have you . . .

- Called 607.763.4305 to register for waste disposal.
- Received and completed the Permit Application and Waste Registration Form.
- Returned forms, check and MSDSs to the Division of Solid Waste Management.
- Received Confirmation Letter with Appointment and Permit Card.

Once registered, be sure to:

- Review Confirmation Letter, including packing and transportation information.
- Bring yellow copy of Waste Registration Form, Confirmation Letter and Permit Card to your scheduled appointment.
- Maintain your exempt status*

***Important Note**

To maintain your CESQG status, by law you cannot produce more than 220 pounds (100 kilograms) of hazardous waste or 2.2 pounds (1 kg) of acutely hazardous waste per month. You may register to drop off stored wastes or those accumulated over time, however, you may never accumulate over 1000 kg of hazardous waste. In any 30 day period, you may transport a maximum of 220 lbs. (100 kg.) of hazardous waste.

If you think you exceed the above disposal limits, we will help you find a disposal option for your hazardous wastes. Call us at 607.763.4305 for assistance.

The Hazardous Waste Collection Facility is located at the Broome County Landfill.