

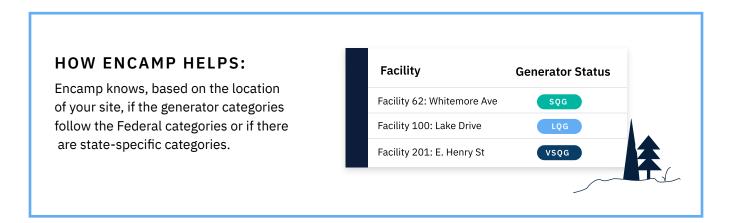


What are the hazardous waste generator categories?

There are three (3) Federal categories of hazardous waste generators:

- Very Small Quantity Generator (VSQG) generates 100 kg (220 lb) or less per month
- Small Quantity Generator (SQG) generates more than 100 kg (220 lbs) and less than 1,000 kg (2,200 lbs) per month
- Large Quantity Generator (LQG) generates more than 1,000 kg (2,200 lbs) per month

States with an authorized hazardous waste program can also create their own generator categories, so your generator category will also depend on the state you are located in.



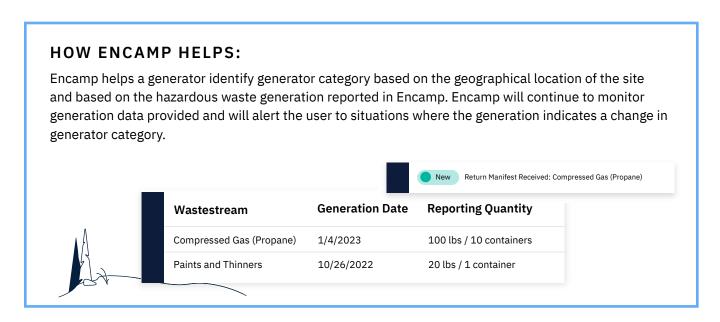
How do I know my generator category?

A hazardous waste generator must determine their generator category based on their monthly hazardous waste generation. Tracking monthly generation is important, not only for initially determining generator category, but to identify if changes in your operations cause a change in your generator category (by generating more or less hazardous wastes.)





In addition, the state that a generator is located in is also important in determining generator status, because some states have different generator categories from the Federal categories.



Why is it important to accurately calculate your generator category?

The Federal EPA requires that all hazardous waste generators make accurate hazardous waste determinations, track monthly hazardous waste generation, and accurately self-identify their generator category.

In addition, a generator's requirements vary depending on their generator category. For example, a very small quantity generator has very few requirements but a large quantity generator has many requirements, including reporting, maintaining a contingency plan, and completing weekly inspections of hazardous waste storage areas.

What are the types of hazardous waste?

Hazardous wastes are either characteristic or listed hazardous wastes.

Characteristic Hazardous Wastes:

("D" codes):

- D001 Ignitable wastes
- D002 Corrosive wastes
- D003 Reactive wastes
- D004 through D043 Toxic wastes



Listed Hazardous Wastes:

- "F" codes wastes from non-specific sources, generated from a common manufacturing or industrial process
- "K" codes wastes from specific sources, generated from specific sources in specific industries
- "U" codes discarded commercial chemical products, unused/virgin material, pure commercial-graded chemical wastes
- "P" codes acutely hazardous wastes, similar to "u" code waste but more hazardous

What are Universal Wastes?

Universal Wastes are hazardous wastes that are commonly generated across many industries and are allowed to be handled under less-stringent regulations. There are five (5) Universal Wastes identified by the Federal EPA: Batteries, Lamps, Pesticides, Mercury-containing Equipment, and Aerosol Cans. Each state with an authorized hazardous waste program can choose to accept any, all, or none of these Federal Universal Wastes. In addition, states can add their own state-specific Universal Wastes. Some common state-specific wastes are paint-related wastes, photographic solutions, electronic equipment, and antifreeze.



What is RCRA?

RCRA is the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. RCRA was implemented by the Federal EPA to combat US dependency on landfills, handle the increase in industrial and municipal waste generation, and promote "reduce, reuse, recycle". RCRA was created to protect human health and the environment from the potential hazards of waste disposal and to promote the conservation of energy and natural resources.

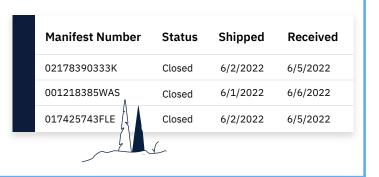
RCRA is found in 40 CFR parts 239-282 (parts 260-273 specifically cover hazardous waste. States can adopt these Federal rules or create their own, as long as those are as stringent or more stringent than the Federal requirements.

A major concept in RCRA is "Cradle to Grave" - RCRA requires hazardous wastes to be properly managed from the point of generation ("cradle") to the point of final destruction ("grave"). The generator of a hazardous waste essentially "owns" the responsibility for the waste forever. If a generator ships hazardous waste to a hazardous waste landfill that is not managing the waste properly, the generator may be held responsible and have to pay for the cleanup and proper disposal of their hazardous waste.



HOW ENCAMP HELPS:

Encamp helps with "cradle-to-grave" management of hazardous waste by providing a comprehensive system to document the management of hazardous waste from generation to final disposition.

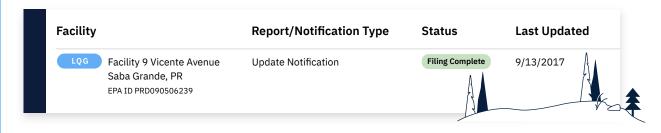


Who has to complete a hazardous waste report? How often?

Per the Federal regulations, all large quantity generators must complete a biennial report, due by March 1st each even-numbered year for the previous odd-numbered year. However, some states require additional reporting, such as an annual report or even quarterly reporting. Reporting can also be required for small quantity generators or very small quantity generators. Reports may be completed in the Federal RCRAinfo portal, in a state-specific system, or via mail or email with state-specific forms.

HOW ENCAMP HELPS:

Encamp knows what reporting is required for a specific site, based on the site's generator status and the state in which the generator is located. Encamp also knows what state-specific information is required and will require that information in the app so that you will have all the information needed to complete the report.



Are there fees associated with hazardous waste programs?

There are no Federal fees associated with maintaining an EPA ID number, generating hazardous waste, or submitting a biennial report. However, states can institute any type of fee structure they would like. Some states assess an annual fee for maintaining an EPA ID number and others charge a fee when a report is submitted. Other fees include taxes on the amount of hazardous waste generated and fees for submitting Notifications.





HOW ENCAMP HELPS:

Encamp knows what fees a generator is required to pay, and when they are due, based on the generator's generator category and geographic location. Encamp can pay these fees on behalf of the generator and maintain record of the payment in Encamp.

What documentation do I need to keep and how long do I need to keep it?

A hazardous waste generator needs to keep all of the documentation associated with waste characterization, waste generation, and waste disposal. These documents need to be kept for three (3) years to satisfy Federal requirements, but some states require these documents be retained for longer.

HOW ENCAMP HELPS:

Hazardous waste records can be maintained in paper form or electronically, they just have to be readily available at the site. Encamp stores all of your records, from waste characterization documentation, to generation records, to shipping and disposal documentation. These records will be easily accessible to personnel onsite during an inspection, and also able to be accessed by corporate EHS or other functions that may need access to these records.

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With Encamp, view all your RCRA compliance data in one place to easily manage generator status, manifests and more across multiple facilities.

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