



Universal Waste Management

Regulations

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM) and the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) universal waste regulations streamline hazardous waste management standards for federally designated "universal wastes," which include batteries, pesticides, mercury containing equipment and bulbs (lamps)

Battery- Devices that receive, store, and deliver energy including the consumer products which contain them (if battery cannot be removed).

Pesticide- Any hazardous substance or mixture intended for preventing, destroying, repelling, or mitigating any pest, or intended for use as a plant regulator, defoliant, or desiccant, except those disposed of by a farmer (on-site) in a manner consistent with the label instructions.

Mercury Containing Equipment – Consists of devices, items or articles that contain varying amounts of elemental mercury integral to its function. Some devices include: thermostats, barometers, manometers, mercury switches.

Universal Waste Lamps (Lamps)- The bulb or tube portion of an electric lighting device. Examples of common UW lamps include, but are not limited to, fluorescent, high intensity discharge, neon, mercury vapor, high-pressure sodium, and metal halide lamps.

Labeling and Marking:

All University generated universal waste, must be managed appropriately at the point of generation. This requires the generator to properly contain the universal waste so as to prevent breakage or leaks, complete the "Auburn University Recycles" label for each universal waste generated, be sure to place date on the label as to when the item became a waste and contact RMS @ 4-4805 for assistance with the removal and proper management of this waste.

Auburn University Recycles

Used Batteries Used Mercury Containing Equipment
 Waste Pesticides Used Lamps

Please place used items into this box when it is empty.
 For information about this program please call 4-4805.

Contact Name: _____
 Building: _____
 Date Delivered: _____
 No. of Lamps: _____

Regulatory links

www.adem.state.al.us and search ADEM Administrative Code 335-14-11.
www.epa.gov/osw/hazard/wastetypes/universal 40 CFR part 273