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Some commonly used automotive products, such as degreasing solvents, aerosol brake cleaners and aerosol carburetor cleaners, may contain halogens — compounds containing chlorine, bromine and iodine. If mixed with waste oil, the entire mixture may be considered a hazardous waste. Disposing of substances under hazardous waste guidelines can add significantly to your operating costs.

How to Identify Halogens in Products

It's not hard to identify products containing halogens. Look at the list of ingredients on the product label or MSDS (Material Safety Data Sheet). If "chloro" is part of an ingredient's name, the product contains halogens.

What Can I Do About It?

There are many excellent alternatives for products containing halogens. They are better for the environment, healthier for your workers, and can save you money on disposal. Talk to your sales representative about environmentally friendly replacements.

If you decide to continue using products containing halogens, they must be disposed of separately from your waste oil.

For More Information

Recent changes in state laws and regulations that pertain to the handling of residual waste may affect the way you currently do business.

If you would like more information, please contact your DEP regional office.

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For more information contact the Pennsylvania Recycling Hotline at

(800) 346-4242

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