

Polyurethane Processing: American Chemistry Guidelines for Management and Disposal of Hazardous Wastes



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The American Chemistry Council (“ACC”) issued a guidance document titled:

Guidelines for Management and Disposal of Hazardous Wastes from Polyurethane Processing (“Guidelines”)

ACC states that the purpose of the *Guidelines* are to:

... help downstream processors of polyurethane chemicals (referred to hereafter as processors) manage and dispose of resulting waste chemicals (hazardous) and empty containers in a manner that conforms to federal regulations.

The *Guidelines* provide a detailed summary of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Subtitle C regulations addressing issues such as:

- What is a Hazardous Waste?
- Listed Wastes
- Characteristic Wastes
- Mixture Rule
- Exclusions/Empty Containers
- Hazardous Waste Generator Responsibilities
- Recordkeeping Requirements
- Storing Hazardous Waste
- Satellite Accumulation
- Hazardous Waste in a Designated Central Accumulation Area
- Disposing of Hazardous Waste
- On-Site Disposal Treatment

The *Guidelines* reference various polyurethane chemicals in its discussion of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act requirements.

[A copy of the *Guidelines* can be downloaded here.](#)