

2.16 HAZARDOUS WASTE; EPA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

- ❑ *Question: Do I generate, in a calendar month, 100 kilograms or more of hazardous waste or more than 1 kilogram of acute hazardous waste? OR*
- ❑ *Question: Do I have in inventory at any time of more than 100 kilogram of hazardous waste or 1 kilogram or more of acute hazardous waste?*

Why do I need this approval?

Generators of hazardous waste, transporters of hazardous waste, and facilities which treat, store, or dispose of hazardous waste are required to notify the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department before treating, storing, disposing, offering for transportation, or transporting hazardous waste. Large quantity handlers of universal waste are required to notify the Department before accumulating 5,000 Kilograms of universal waste for the first time. Upon receipt of a notification, the Department assigns an EPA Identification number to the notifier through the EPA RCRAInfo database.

What laws or regulations give MDE the legal authority to issue this approval?

FEDERAL: RCRA - Section 3010; 40 CFR Part 262.12, 263.11, 264.11 and 273.32
STATE: Environment Article, Title 7, Subtitle 2, Annotated Code of Maryland; COMAR 26.13.03.03, 26.13.04.01B, 26.13.05.02B and 26.13.10.19C

What is the process to get this approval?

- 1) The applicant obtains EPA Form 8700-12 (RCRA Subtitle C Site Identification Form) , also known as “Notification of Regulated Waste Activity Form”, from the Department. The form is also available on-line at <http://www.epa.gov/epaoswer/hazwaste/data/form8700/forms.htm>
- 2) A completed application is submitted to the Department.
- 3) After review, the application is processed at the Department and a permanent EPA identification number is issued. The application data is also entered into EPA's RCRAInfo database by the Department.
- 4) Acknowledgement of the notification is mailed to the applicant along with the EPA identification number that has been assigned to the applicant.

Before I apply for this approval, do I need to get any approvals from the local or federal government?

No.

Are there any other requirements?

Generators: A generator may not treat, store, dispose, transport, or offer for transportation, hazardous waste without having received an EPA identification number. A generator may not offer hazardous waste to transporters or to treatment, storage or disposal (TSD)

facilities that have not received an EPA identification number.

Transporters: A transporter may not transport hazardous waste without having received an EPA identification number from the Department.

TSD Facilities: Every facility owner or operator who intends to treat, store or dispose of hazardous waste must apply to the Department for an EPA Identification Number.

Subsequent Notification Requirements: A subsequent notification is required if the contact for the site changes, an additional owner is added after the initial notification, the type of regulated hazardous waste activity conducted at the site changes, the generator status changes, or the site name changes. If a business moves to a different location, a new notification is required for the new location.

How long should I expect it to take to get this approval once I submit a complete application?

30 days

Once I get this approval, how long will it last?

For generators TSD facilities and large quantity handlers of universal waste: a given EPA identification number is permanently associated with the address at which the holders of the number was conducting hazardous waste activities was located when the number was assigned. If the generator, facility or handler moves to a new location, a new identification number must be obtained (or if there is an existing i.d. number for the new location, an application to have the i.d. number reassigned must be submitted).

For transporters: a given EPA Identification number is permanently assigned.

How much will this approval cost?

No fee.

Who do I contact with additional questions?

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