




<b>Title:</b>	<b>Waste Oil Storage Arrangements</b>	
<b>Priority</b>	Amber – Minor Non-Conformance	
<b>Legislation:</b>	CoSHH, Pollution Prevention and Control Regulations, Fire Regulations	
<b>Brief Description:</b>	Waste oil storage and management procedures vary considerably across HAE / EHA members. This document is to provide guidance on compliance and best practice	
<b>Equipment Affected:</b>	Waste oil containers, tanks and drums	
<p>During HAE SafeHire audits it has been identified that waste oil is stored in a range of containers including drums (over 200 litres), containers, tanks and barrels. Specific guidance / Regulations exists for UK companies and this bulletin includes compliance requirements from these. Waste engine oil and other lubricants / fluids are harmful to the environment and those handling the substances.</p> <p><b>Basic Guidance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Storage of waste oil should be minimised i.e. one months' worth based on normal activities would be acceptable – <i>Image 2</i> – Waste collection at least monthly is practicable</li> <li>If you store more than 3,000 litres / 3m<sup>3</sup>, a licence will be required in all parts of the UK – this is based on volume stored rather than capacity of storage</li> <li>Barrel - Bunds / Containment - If your waste oil containers are larger than 200 litres – (<i>image 1</i>- 45 gallon / 205 litre drum) then <b>bundling is required</b> e.g. a banded pallet. If the pallet can hold 4 drums then it should have a bund capacity for 205 litres or 110% of the total stored if it's a single drum.</li> <li>Tanks / IBCs - Bunds / Containment – The bund should have capacity for at least 110% of the contents</li> <li>Bunds – that capture water / spills should be regularly emptied to maintain their 110% capacity – i.e. if a bund is half full of water it will not have the capacity for tank spills should they occur</li> <li>Oil storage should be away from drains and on suitable impermeable hard standing i.e. to prevent spills soaking into the ground</li> <li>Purpose designed waste oil tanks with integral bunding are available and some waste management companies provide these as part of their service – <i>Image 3</i></li> </ul>		
<b>1 – 205 litre drums</b> Containment / Bund Needed	<b>2 - 25 litre drum Storage</b> 1 month or less total storage	<b>3 – 1000 Litre Waste Oil Tank</b> Purpose made with integral bund
		
<b>Recommended Actions:</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review current holdings of waste oil / drums in your branch. Consider what volume of oil should be handled in a 'normal' trading month</li> <li>Ensure contents of drums are clearly marked as per HAE Technical Bulletin 31</li> <li>Re-use of 25 litre lubricant drums does not require bunding but they should be in good condition, strong enough for the task and sealed i.e. cap fitted</li> <li>Licensed waste carriers should be used and consignment notes maintained for a minimum of 3 years</li> <li>Train your team via toolbox talk regarding this topic / bulletin</li> <li>Review implementation / monitor performance regularly</li> </ul>	
<b>Circulation:</b>	Management / Workshop Teams	

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