HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL WASTE DISPOSAL

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PROCEDURE STATEMENT

The disposal of hazardous chemicals is governed by local, state, and federal regulations, and is enforced by the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). A hazardous waste management program shall be implemented to comply with all applicable regulatory requirements and provide personnel safety and environmental reservation associated with hazardous waste management activities.

REASON FOR PROCEDURE

This procedure establishes the Texas AgriLife Extension Service (Extension) Hazardous Waste Management Program.

PROCEDURES

1.00 PROCEDURES

The Extension Hazardous Waste Management Program will include:

A. A hazardous waste collection, storage, and disposal program meeting the requirements established by the TCEQ and the EPA; and

B. A hazardous waste collection, storage, and disposal service for AgriLife Extension that is conducted in a safe, approved manner.

2.00 RESPONSIBILITIES

A. Unit heads and the Texas AgriLife Research/Texas AgriLife Extension Service Safety Coordinator will:

   1. Administer the Extension Hazardous Waste Management Program with qualified/trained personnel;

   2. Ensure that a qualified waste disposal service contractor is used;
3. Ensure that hazardous waste is disposed at authorized/permitted hazardous waste disposal sites;

4. Provide reports to federal and state agencies as required; and

5. Maintain records of hazardous waste program activities.

B. Safety Officer/Committee will:

1. Assist unit head in the implementation of the Extension Hazardous Waste Management Program; and

2. Provide documentation to unit head and Texas AgriLife Research/Texas AgriLife Extension Service Safety Coordinator.

C. Professional staff and Supervisor will:

1. Comply with the Extension Hazardous Waste Management Program; and

2. Ensure employees are properly trained.

D. Employees will:

1. Comply with the written Extension Hazardous Waste Management Program.

**RELATED STATUTES, POLICIES, OR REQUIREMENTS**

*System Policy 24.01, Risk Management*

*System Regulation 24.01.01, Supplemental Risk Management Standards* and its associated standards.

**CONTACT OFFICE**

Questions regarding this procedure should be referred to the Texas AgriLife Research/Texas AgriLife Extension Service Safety Coordinator at 979-862-4038.