



**Metro Waste Authority**

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## CESQG Certification

I certify that I am a generator of hazardous waste within the State of Iowa and that because of the small volume of hazardous waste generated and/or stored, I qualify for conditionally exempt small quantity generator status.

I understand that to qualify for conditionally exempt small quantity generator status, I must meet both of the following conditions (as defined by 40 CFR Section 261.5):

1. Generate less than 1kg/month (2.2 pounds) of acute hazardous waste, and never store more than this amount on site at any time; and
2. Generate less than 100 kg/month (220 pounds) of all other hazardous waste, and never store more than 1,000 (2,200 pounds) on the site at any time.

I further understand that if, in the future, I exceed the quantity limitations described above, I will become subject to additional regulation as a hazardous waste generator and will no longer be eligible to participate in this type of collection program.

I certify that I have the right to make these statements on behalf of my farm or business.

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

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## Business Information

Business Name \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Business \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Site Address \_\_\_\_\_

(If different) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name/Title \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

# Regional Collection Center Business Education

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- Most of MWA's business customers see a 43 percent savings in hazardous waste management costs.
- Approximately 600,000 pounds of material is collected at the RCC each year.
- No tax money is used for Metro Waste Authority programs or services.

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8 a.m. - noon

**Mission Statement**  
Metro Waste Authority is the leader in environmental stewardship and cost-effective waste management.

## What does CESQG stand for?

CESQG is an acronym, from the Environmental Protection Agency, meaning Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator. These are businesses that produce small amounts of hazardous waste that can be disposed of at the Regional Collection Center (RCC), for a fee.

## What is a hazardous waste?

A hazardous waste is any solid, liquid, or contained gas that is being disposed of, burned, or recycled, and that is known to be harmful to human health and the environment when not managed properly.

## How do you know if your businesses waste is hazardous?

Currently there are more than 500 wastes that are classified as hazardous. Your waste is considered hazardous if it appears on one of four lists published in the Code of Federal Regulations or meets certain characteristic properties.

## What are the characteristics of a hazardous waste?

There are four characteristics that help identify hazardous waste.

1. Ignitability – If it catches fire under certain conditions. Examples are paints and certain degreasers and solvents.
2. Corrosive – If the waste corrodes metals or has a very high or low pH it is hazardous. Examples are rust removers, acid or alkaline cleaning fluids, and battery acid.
3. Reactivity – It is unstable and explodes or produces toxic fumes, gases, and vapors when mixed with water or under other conditions such as heat or pressure.
4. Toxicity – If it is harmful or fatal when ingested or absorbed, or it leaches toxic chemicals into the soil or ground water when disposed of on land, it is toxic. Examples are wastes that contain high concentrations of heavy metals, such as cadmium, lead, or mercury.

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### **How does your business know if they qualify for the CESQG program?**

There are three basic requirements to be eligible to participate in the CESQG program.

1. Your business cannot produce more than 220 lbs of hazardous waste per month. This is approximately half of a 50-gallon drum, four 5-gallon buckets, OR 20 one-gallon cans.
2. Your business cannot store over 2,200 lbs of hazardous waste on site at on time.
3. Your business cannot contain more than 2.2 lbs of acutely hazardous waste at any time. This is approximately one quart of hazardous material. Acutely hazardous wastes can be found listed on the attached EPA P-List.

### **What are the requirements for storing hazardous waste on site?**

The storage requirements for CESQG's are outlined in the attached EPA Guide for Small Businesses.

### **What does your business have to do in order to register for the CESQG program?**

A registration packet, which is available at the RCC, must be completed and returned for review. A waste inventory must also be completed and returned.

### **When can I drop off my waste?**

Waste can be dropped off by appointment Tuesday thru Friday at the Regional Collection Center.

### **How do I get my waste to the RCC?**

Waste produced by CESQG's can be transported by the business however there are specific DOT requirements that must be followed when transporting hazardous waste. We can provide you with information about transporting the materials yourself, or we can provide information about our pick-up service, which is available for a fee.

### **What happens if I exceed any of the CESQG limitations?**

Businesses that produce hazardous waste over the accepted amount will be re-classified as a SQG or a LQG. Businesses that are SQG or LQG must use a licensed disposal contractor. We can provide assistance in identifying a contractor.

### **Once I am registered as a CESQG how long does that registration last, and what steps do I have to take to re-register for the program?**

Registrations last for a one-year time period. When the registration expires the company must be re-evaluated and re-registered. RCC employees can assist with the registration and re-registration

### **What is the cost for participating in the CESQG program?**

Generally you can expect a 40% reduction in price over a contracted hazardous waste disposal company.

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1. Do you know what CESQG stands for?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

2. Do you know what waste is classified as hazardous and how to identify that waste?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

3. Do you know what requirements have to be met for a business to qualify for the CESQG program?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

4. Can you distinguish between an acute hazardous waste and a hazardous waste?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

5. What is the largest amount of hazardous waste your business will produce in one month?

Waste \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.

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6. How much hazardous waste is currently being stored at your facility?

Waste \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.

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7. Do you produce less than 220 lbs of hazardous materials per month? (220 lbs is approximately 1/2 of a 50-gallon drum, four 5-gallon buckets, or 20 one gallon cans)

Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

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8. Do you produce less than 2.2 lbs of acute hazardous waste per month? (2.2 lbs is approximately one quart of hazardous waste)
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
9. Do you store more than 2,200 lbs on site at any given time?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
10. Does your business follow the storage guidelines established by the EPA?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
11. Are the proper shipping papers consistently shipped with the hazardous materials?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
12. Are the containers carrying the waste always clearly marked?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
13. Do you understand the consequences if your company produces more than the allowed amount of hazardous material per month?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
14. Do you know the alternative locations to dispose of your hazardous waste if you no longer qualify for the CESQG program?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
15. Do you understand and accept the charges for disposing of your hazardous materials through the CESQG program?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
16. Have you read EPA's guidebook for small businesses handling hazardous waste?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
17. Does your company have an EPA ID number?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_
18. Do you have any questions about the CESQG program?
- Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_



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## Estimated Disposal Cost

Description of waste	No. of containers	Container size	Estimated pounds	Actual pounds	Cost per pound	Total cost

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## Waste Drop-Off Certification

Description of Waste	Number of containers	Container size

I certify that I am classified as a CESQG and agree to pay for the disposal of the above listed hazardous wastes.

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I certify that the above listed waste was removed from \_\_\_\_\_ the below address.

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Print name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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