

# New Hazardous Waste Requirements for Perchloroethylene Dry Cleaners

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On July 2, 2006, the Hazardous Materials Waste Management Division (HMWMD) at the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment announced new notification requirements for perchloroethylene (perc) dry cleaners. If you own or operate a perc dry cleaning machine, you may be subject to these new notification requirements.

## What are the new Hazardous Waste requirements?

Under the new requirements, Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQGs) that generate hazardous waste codes F001, F002, F004, and/or F005 (halogenated and non-halogenated solvents) are required to notify the HMWMD under Part 99 of the hazardous waste regulations (6 CCR 1007-3) and obtain an EPA identification number. Therefore, if you operate a perc dry cleaning machine, you will be required to submit a notification form and obtain an EPA identification number if you haven't already done so. CESQGs will not be assessed a fee for this type of notification. The Colorado Hazardous Waste Notification form is available online at [www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/notification.htm).

Also under the new requirements, SQGs and LQGs that submit a new notification under Part 99 of the hazardous waste regulations (6 CCR 1007-3) must submit a \$100 notification fee with the Notification form. Businesses submitting a subsequent notification that downgrades their hazardous waste generator status (for example, from a Large Quantity Generator to a Small Quantity Generator) must also submit a \$100 notification fee with their updated Notification form. Subsequent notifications that are providing or updating other information (for example, contact name change) will not be assessed any fee unless they are also downgrading their notification status.

Businesses submitting a subsequent notification that upgrades their notification status will not be assessed the notification fee. Where a fee is required, the fee MUST accompany the Notification form for the form to be processed. Information on the notification fee is available online at [www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/epaid.pdf](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/epaid.pdf).

In addition to hazardous waste notification fees, the Department assesses an annual hazardous waste generator fee. The annual fees are \$100 for CESQGs that generate F001, F002, F004, or F005 wastes (includes dry cleaning facilities), \$480.00 for SQGs, and \$3,050.00 for LQGs.

## DEFINITIONS:

*CESQG* – generates ~220 pounds (~25 gallons) or less of a hazardous waste and no more than ~2.2 pounds of acutely hazardous waste per month.

*SQG* – generates more than ~220 pounds (25 gallons) and less than ~2200 pounds (~250 gallons) of hazardous waste and no more than ~2.2 pounds of acutely hazardous waste per month.

*LQG* – generates ~2200 pounds (~250 gallons) or more of hazardous waste or more than ~2.2 pounds of acutely hazardous waste per month.

## HELP IS AVAILABLE

The Generator Assistance Program (GAP) is available to answer questions on the new hazardous waste notification requirements. Contact GAP at (303) 692-3415 or at the toll-free Customer Technical Assistance hotline at (888) 569-1831 Ext. 3320, or visit GAP online at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/hm/gap/>.

