

PCC Waste and Recycling Streams

Waste	Waste Type	Questions?	Pickup/Disposal Process
Red biohazard bags	Regulated Medical Waste	Safety & Risk Services	Stericycle bins for regulated medical waste
Red sharps containers	Regulated Medical Waste	Safety & Risk Services	Stericycle bins for regulated medical waste
Dissection specimens	Disposed of as pathological waste	Safety & Risk Services	Stericycle bins for pathological waste
Yellow blade banks for box cutter blades	Solid waste	Safety & Risk Services	Tape box opening shut and dispose in regular trash
Boxes of broken lab glass	Solid waste	Safety & Risk Services	Dispose in regular trash. Put in SRC work order for a pick-up
Used shop and studio disposable rags in oily waste bins	Usually solid waste	Safety & Risk Services	Oily Waste Bins are emptied by Custodians. Put in SRC work order for a pick-up
Surplus chemicals, cleaners, paints, solvents	In most cases disposed of with hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Empty chemical containers (except pesticide containers)	Solid waste	Safety & Risk Services	Dispose in regular trash
Batteries, all types--NiCd, Lithium ion, alkaline	Some are universal waste	Safety & Risk Services	SRC work order
Tires, used	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	SRC work order

Gasoline or diesel, used or surplus	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Compressed gas cylinders (e.g. helium, propane, air) that can't be exchanged with supplier	Hazardous waste until emptied and depressurized	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Laboratory chemical waste	Hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Mercury thermometers, switches	Hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
PCB ballasts	Regulated in disposal	Safety & Risk Services	Designated containers at RC and SY or email to Elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Non-PCB electronic ballasts	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	Designated containers at RC and SY or email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Used oil and oil filters	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	Designated storage containers at RC and SY or email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Used vehicle and equipment fluids such as antifreeze and brake fluid	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	Designated storage containers at RC and SY or email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Lead acid batteries	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	SRC work order or return to vendor
Used mercury containing light bulbs: fluorescent light tubes, compact florescent lights, Metal Arc, projector bulbs	Universal waste	Safety & Risk Services	SRC work order
Aerosol cans-empty or with contents	Hazardous waste until emptied and depressurized	Safety & Risk Services	SRC work order

Scrap x-ray film	Processed for silver recovery	Safety & Risk Services	Email elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Lead items such lead weights, lead foil, and lead shielding	Recyclable	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Spent photographic and x-ray fixer	Processed for silver recovery	Safety & Risk Services	Recovery on-site
Scrap metal	Recyclable	Central Distribution Services	Complete the Equipment Surplus and Transfer Form
Electronics recycling (PCC property) such as computers, monitors, hard drives, peripherals, scanners, fax machines, printers, DVD, VCR players	Recyclable	Central Distribution Services	Complete the Equipment Surplus and Transfer Form E-waste recycling for General Public at SY Library
Appliances such as refrigerators, microwaves, space heaters	Recyclable	Central Distribution Services	Complete the Equipment Surplus and Transfer Form
Equipment with radioactive materials	Regulated in disposal	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Medications (abandoned, expired)	Some are hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Asbestos containing items	Regulated in disposal	Safety & Risk	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Empty drums that previously held chemicals that can't be returned to vendors		Safety & Risk	Email elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Chafing fuel canisters (still containing fuel)	Flammable solid waste	Safety & Risk Services	Email: elaine.hunter@pcc.edu

Caulk and other adhesives	Some are hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Pesticides	Hazardous waste	Safety & Risk Services	Complete a waste log and email to elaine.hunter@pcc.edu
Ink cartridges	Recyclable	Central Distribution Services	Place with outgoing Campus/Center interoffice mail
Plastic containers and other plastic items	Recyclable	Central Distribution Services	Complete the Equipment Surplus and Transfer Form