AEROSOL CANS

POSSIBLE AREAS OF CONCERN

Aerosols are under pressure and may be flammable, reactive, corrosive, and/or toxic depending on the contents of the cans and the propellant involved.

CHARACTERIZATION

Aerosol cans that are no longer serviceable (e.g., broken nozzles), but that are still under pressure and/or still contain their contents, are hazardous waste and must be collected and turned into the PPOC.

HANDLING PROCEDURES

Step 1 Place empty containers and contaminated materials in hazardous material return locker.

Step 2 Ensure materials are labeled to identify contents.

NOTE: For activities that do not have a return locker, aerosols must be collected and transported to the **PPOC** for disposal.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The PPOC maintains a can-puncturing device that vents and empties aerosol cans. Once cans are emptied, the PPOC recycles the scrap metal which earns the installation QRP program. For additional information contact **PPOC Services**.