

# AEROSOL CANS

## GENERAL INFORMATION

Maintenance procedures require the use of many aerosol products which include paint, solvents, lubricants and adhesives. Aerosol products should be used until there is no material or pressure left in the can.

## POTENTIAL HAZARDS



Most aerosol hazardous materials are under pressure and may be flammable, reactive, corrosive and/or toxic depending on the contents and must be stored in an approved storage cabinet with the SDS.

## WASTE CHARACTERIZATION

EMPTY aerosol cans that have **no material and no pressure** left in the can may be recycled as scrap metal. Damaged/unusable aerosol cans that are not empty are regulated as UNIVERSAL WASTE for disposal.

## HANDLING AND DISPOSAL PROCEDURES

### EMPTY AEROSOL CANS = RECYCLE

**Step 1:** Ensure the can is EMPTY through normal use. There can be NO MATERIAL/NO PRESSURE in the can.

**Step 2:** Remove the cap and nozzle from the can.

**Step 3:** EMPTY aerosol cans that have HMCP barcodes may be turned-in at the HMCP at East Range 6040 (808-656-0720).

EMPTY aerosol cans with no barcodes can be placed in the unit/activity recycle bin.



### NOT EMPTY/NOT USABLE AEROSOL CANS = UNIVERSAL WASTE

**Step 1:** Aerosol cans that are no longer usable (e.g. expired clogged, broken nozzle), but still contain their contents and/or pressure are UNIVERSAL WASTE and must be picked up by the DPW Environmental Division Transfer and Accumulation Point (TAP).

**Step 2:** Place the can(s) in a container (box, drum) marked "USED AEROSOL CANS". Also mark the container with the "DATE" the first can was placed in the container.

**Step 3:** Store the container in a cool, dry place. Do not store the containers outside. Complete the Universal Waste Collection Log.

**Step 4:** Call the *Waste Pickup Request Line (808-656-0867)* to schedule a pick-up within 6-months.

