

U of L WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR AEROSOL CANS

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This procedure applies to U of L department personnel for the waste collection of full, partially-used, and empty aerosol cans.

Leaking aerosol cans and other waste liquid or solid hazardous products cannot be discarded into the waste aerosol can collection container. For proper disposal instructions for these items, contact DEHS Hazardous Waste Coordinator at 852-2956.



STEP 1 –

Prior to placement into aerosol can waste collection container, remove spray nozzle OR replace can cap.



STEP 2 –

Discard empty, full, or partially-used aerosol can into waste collection container. Be sure to re-close waste container.

NOTE: University personnel must mark or label any waste aerosol can collection container as:
**“Hazardous Waste
Aerosol Cans –
Flammable”**



STEP 3 –

When waste collection container is nearly full, submit on-line DEHS chemical & hazardous waste pickup form at <http://louisville.edu/dehs>

Aerosol cans are often easy to use, but they may be difficult to dispose of safely. Often the contents are toxic and/ or flammable. Aerosol cans also pose a safety risk because the contents are under pressure and if improperly disposed into the regular trash can rupture and be a projectile hazard to downstream solid waste handling personnel.

At U of L, aerosol cans, whether empty, partially-filled, or full are managed as “hazardous waste” and picked up through the DEHS chemical hazardous waste management program.

