Universal Waste Pesticides

One of the primary purposes of the University's Integrated Pest Management Program is the wise use of Use secondary containment in case of leaks and

spills.

Empty containers

To dispose of empty containers, triple rinse the container, collect the rinsate as hazardous chemical waste, remove labels and render the container unusable. Plastic and plastic-lined paper bags can be triple-rinsed. Cut out both ends of paper bags to prevent reuse. Then dispose of in the regular trash.

Disposal

Rinsates should be collected in a sturdy plastic container. Rinsates from different pesticides can be added to the same container, but separate by compatibility and type (herbicide, insecticide, fungicide, etc.). Label the container "Waste Pesticide Rinsates." Keep a log of what pesticides and concentrations are added to the container. Unused or recalled pesticide products should be kept in their original container for disposal through the annual Idaho Department of Agriculture Pesticide Disposal Program; EH&S coordinates this disposal in early spring. If the original container is damaged or leaking, place it in sturdy second container. Fill-out and attach a label to the container. Mark the label "Universal Waste – Pesticide" and date it. For both rinsate containers and unused product, submit an electronic disposal request to EH&S. A Universal Waste Pesticide may not be stored on-site for longer than one year from the date it is declared a waste.

