

Many aerosol products-cleaners, spray paints, adhesives, solvents – contain chemicals that are considered a hazardous waste when disposed. Even an empty aerosol container which has not been depressurized can be a reactive hazardous waste. Waste aerosol cans whether emptied of contents or not must be managed as hazardous waste.

DO NOT THROW THEM IN THE TRASH.

This handout explains important information about handling and storing waste aerosol cans for proper disposal at UWF.

1. Place waste aerosol cans in a sturdy, closable, container.
2. Do not mix waste aerosol cans with other types of waste.
3. Keep containers of waste aerosol cans closed except when adding cans to the container.



EXAMPLE STORAGE CONTAINER

4. Label containers as “**Hazardous waste aerosol cans**” with a marker or use a hazardous waste label.



EXAMPLE OF HAZARDOUS WASTE LABEL

5. Store containers of waste aerosol cans in your department’s designated waste storage location.
6. Call Environmental Health and Safety at 850.474.2525 for assistance with obtaining labels. Use a JIRA ticket to request a hazardous material pick-up when the collection container becomes full.