

Swansea University

Waste Management Guidance Note WMGN18 Paint

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Paint	
Location Generated	Various
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Type	Hazardous / controlled
Disposal Method	Segregated for specialist disposal
Bin/ Bag Type	Contractor collection

Duty of Care Requirements

Any business or public body that generates waste materials should apply the waste hierarchy to all streams in order to minimise the amount of waste sent for disposal. In practice, this means ensuring all wastes are segregated at source and disposed of via the correct stream. General municipal waste should therefore be the last option for waste.

The University has committed to segregating its waste at source and, focusing on separating key recycling streams; cans, paper, plastics, food and glass. Segregation at source improves recyclate quality and also adheres to the Waste Regulations (England and Wales) 2011. The Regulations stipulate that materials such as paper, metal, plastic and glass must be collected separately if it is necessary to encourage high quality of the recycling of the material

Paint is classified as hazardous under the Hazardous Waste Regulations, whether it be in oil, halogenated, non-halogenated, and solvent or water-based form. Paint <u>must not</u> be disposed of to drain under any circumstance. Where possible the University will recycle waste paint via its appointed waste contractor.

The University and its appointed contractors must segregate all waste paints for disposal.

Disposal Instructions

Any plastic or metal paint pots that are empty and where any residue (less than 1%) is dry can be recycled as plastic or metal. Containers should be put into clear bags and placed into the external recycling wheelie bins.

To dispose of paint tins or containers with more than 1% paint reside place a works order via the <u>Help Desk</u> portal to arrange collection.

Contractors should not leave any paints on site. It will be within their contract to remove all excess paint on completion of a job. If you find any paint left behind following works, please contact the relevant Projects Officer or email esates-waste@swansea.ac.uk

Paint tins/container with more than 1% cannot be placed in any external University bins or skips under any circumstance.

Disposal Cost

For information on paint disposal costs email estates-waste@swansea.ac.uk

For further guidance please contact estates-waste@Swansea.ac.uk

