

40 CFR §262.34(d)(5)(ii) “Posting of Information by the Telephone by Small Quantity Generators”

[which is incorporated into §391-3-11-.08(1) of the Georgia Rules for Hazardous Waste Management by reference]

§262.34(d)(5)(ii) states, the following:

(d) A generator who generates greater than 100 kilograms but less than 1000 kilograms of hazardous waste in a calendar month may accumulate hazardous waste on-site for 180 days or less without a permit or without having interim status provided that:

(5) The generator complies with the following requirements:

(ii) The generator must post the following information next to the telephone:

(A) The name and telephone number of the emergency coordinator;

(B) Location of fire extinguishers and spill control material, and, if present, fire alarm; and

(C) The telephone number of the fire department, unless the facility has a direct alarm.

Small quantity generators of hazardous waste are required to post the above referenced information by the telephone at their facilities. We recommend posting this information by each phone within the facility, especially those phones nearest to the waste accumulation areas. The list must include the most current list of emergency coordinators at the facility and their phone numbers, and the phone number for the local fire department (unless the facility has a direct alarm to the local fire department). It is very important that these numbers are checked regularly to determine if phone numbers are correct, and updated when they are changed. The list must be clearly posted and legible for quick reference in case of any emergency.

The location of fire extinguishers and spill control equipment must also be posted by the phone. The best way to display this information is to mark the locations of these items on a facility map. Marking the location of the phone on the map so that the person can locate the nearest fire extinguisher and spill equipment in reference to where they are standing is also helpful. The map should be updated whenever emergency equipment is added or moved.

Suggestions to prevent violations of this rule include the following:

- To put one responsible person at the facility in charge of making sure that the list of emergency coordinators and their phone numbers are current; and
- To inspect locations of phones frequently, perhaps during regular inspections of containers, fire extinguishers, etc., to ensure that the required information is posted at the phone.