## NORTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY DIVISION OF WASTE MANAGEMENT HAZARDOUS WASTE SECTION

## **Solvent-Contaminated Wipes Exclusion Requirements for Generators**

This table provides an overview of the solvent-contaminated wipes conditional exclusion provisions and how they apply to the generators of the solvent-contaminated wipes when the wipes are accumulated, stored, and transported. Solvent contaminated wipes that are sent for cleaning and reuse are not a solid waste from the point of generation provided the conditions of 40 CFR 261.4(a)(26), adopted by reference at 15A NCAC 13A .0106(a) are met. Solvent-contaminated wipes, except for wipes that are hazardous waste due to the presence of trichloroethylene, that are sent for disposal are not hazardous wastes from the point of generation provided the conditions of 40 CFR 261.4(b)(18), adopted by reference at 15A NCAC 13A .0106(a) are met.

Description of Requirement	Reusable Solvent-Contaminated Wipes 40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)	Disposable Solvent-Contaminated Wipes 40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)
<b>Definitions:</b> Must meet the definition of "wipe" and "solvent-contaminated wipe" as defined in 40 CFR 260.10	Excluded solvent-contaminated wipes must meet these definitions	Excluded solvent-contaminated wipes must meet these definitions
Container Requirements:  Solvent-contaminated wipes, when accumulated, stored, and transported must be placed in:	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(i)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(i)
- Non-leaking containers	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(i)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(i)
- Closed containers	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(i)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(i)
- Container labeled "Excluded Solvent- Contaminated Wipes"	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(i)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(i)
<ul> <li>Container that can contain any free liquids (should free liquids occur)</li> </ul>	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(i)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(i)
Accumulation time limit:  Solvent-contaminated wipes may be accumulated by the generator for up to 180 days from the start date of accumulation for each container prior to being sent for disposal.	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(ii)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(ii)
No Free Liquids when transported off-site:  - At the point of being transported for disposal, the solvent-contaminated wipes must contain no free liquids as defined in 40 CFR 260.10.  - Free liquids (40 CFR 260.10): means liquids which readily separate from the solid portion of a waste under ambient temperature and pressure	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(iii)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(iii)
Free Liquid Management:  - Free liquids removed from the solvent-contaminated wipes or from the container holding the wipes must be managed according to the applicable regulations found in 40 CFR 260 through 273.	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(iv)	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(iv)

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<b>Documentation Requirements</b> for solvent-contaminated wipes:	<ul> <li>40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(v)</li> <li>Name and address of the laundry/dry cleaner that is receiving the solvent-contaminated wipes</li> <li>Documentation that the 180-day accumulation time limit is being met</li> <li>Description of the process the generator is using to ensure the solvent contaminated wipes contains no free liquids at the point of being laundered/dry cleaned on-site or at the point they are transported off-site for laundering/dry cleaning.</li> <li>Documentation of claims that materials are not solid wastes or are conditionally exempt from regulation (40 CFR 261.2(f)).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(v)</li> <li>Name and address of the landfill or combustor that is receiving the solvent-contaminated wipes</li> <li>Documentation that the 180-day accumulation time limit is being met</li> <li>Description of the process the generator is using to ensure the solvent contaminated wipes contains no free liquids at the point they are transported off-site for disposal in a landfill or by incineration.</li> <li>Documentation of claims that materials are not solid wastes or are conditionally exempt from regulation (40 CFR 261.2(f)).</li> </ul>
Required Permits for Management of solvent-contaminated wipes	40 CFR 261.4(a)(26)(vi)  Reusable solvent-contaminated wipes must be sent to a laundry or dry cleaner whose discharge, if any, is regulated under sections 301 and 402 or section 307 of the Clean Water Act.	40 CFR 261.4(b)(18)(vi)  Disposable solvent contaminated wipes must be disposed at:  - A municipal solid waste landfill regulated under 40 CFR part 258, or to a hazardous waste landfill regulated under 40 CFR parts 264 or 265  - A municipal waste combustor or other combustion facility regulated under section 129 of the Clean Air Act or to a hazardous waste combustor, boiler, or industrial furnace regulated under 40 CFR parts 264, 265, or 266 subpart H.

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