

Toolbox Talk - Environment

Hazardous Packaging Waste



WHAT IS PACKAGING WASTE?

“All products made of any materials of any nature to be used for the containment, protection, handling, delivery and presentation of goods, from raw materials to processed good from the producer to the user or consumer”

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COMMON TYPES OF HAZARDOUS PACKAGING WASTE

- Tins of paints and varnishes containing solvents, (including empty tins with residues present)
- Adhesives and sealants
- Cement bags (with residue present)
- Pressurised containers such as paslode cartridges, line marker paint etc.
- Mixing hazardous waste can be harmful to the environment and discourages the recycling of materials
- Regulations prohibit the mixing of different categories of waste or the mixing of hazardous waste with non-hazardous waste
- Hazardous waste **must not** be put into the general waste

WHAT TO DO

- ✓ Remove your materials / waste from site
- ✓ If materials must be disposed of on site, make sure to use hazardous waste bins provided
- ✓ If you are unsure, speak to a member of the site management team or the Group Health, Safety & Environment Advisor.

DO NOT

- ✗ Discard waste on ground
- ✗ Leave waste in plots
- ✗ Dispose of hazardous packaging wastes in general waste or with other non-hazardous types of waste