

ENVIRONMENTAL BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICEBMP No. 337

Latex/Water-Based Waste Paint Management

WHAT IS LATEX/WATER-BASED PAINT?

Latex/Water based-paints are colored substances that can be washed through the use of water (excluding aerosols). Aerosols must be managed in accordance with **BMP No. 325 - Aerosol Can Management**. Latex/Water-based paints are non-hazardous waste when disposed of; however, must be managed in accordance with the solid waste regulations.

WHAT DO I DO WHEN I HAVE LATEX/WATER-BASED WASTE PAINT?

All latex/water-based paints should be used completely when possible. Excess paint shall not be allowed to air dry in the containers or be thrown into a trash bin. If any latex/water-based paint becomes unusable, the containers shall be taken to the Environmental Yard for proper disposal.

WHERE CAN AN EMPLOYEE OBTAIN LATEX/WATER-BASED PAINT?

All paints, materials and tools will be ordered through the warehouse or Industrial Tool with a hard copy of a work order or requisition. Paint products are **NOT ALLOWED** to be ordered with a ProCard.

WHAT PROCEDURES DO DESIGNATED PERSONNEL FOLLOW FOR LATEX/WATER-BASED PAINTING?

- Only latex/water-based paints approved through the Product Review Process may be used. Oil
 based paints shall not be used by any Morenci personnel or contractors not approved to do so.
- User(s) are responsible for ensuring that used, leftover, or obsolete paint and all other paint products or waste are managed correctly during use, storage and disposal.
- All paint materials must be stored in a Flammable Storage Cabinet and marked "Flammable Materials Only".
- No paint containers should be left open for extended periods of time, especially overnight, or for the purpose of air drying.
- All paint should be used on project for which it was intended. Excess paint that will not be stored should be delivered to the Environmental Yard for disposal. <u>No paint or paint cans</u> should be disposed of in trash.
- No paint should be deliberately sprayed or poured on the ground.
- Spilled paints should immediately be picked up and disposed of under the guidance of Environmental Services.

WHAT OTHER INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR PAINTING PROJECTS?

• User(s) should read SDS instructions; all applicable environmental best management practices (BMPs) and the safe operating procedures before beginning any project.

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- All paint products used on projects must be cleared through Environmental Services before being
 used at Morenci. Environmental Services will determine what kind of application can be used to
 apply the paint product. Not all paint products can be sprayed.
- Personal protective equipment is required on all projects.

EMPLOYEE TRAINING

All personnel shall receive training or at the least have access to this BMP when dealing with latex/water-based paint or waste on Morenci property.

Training will be provided by your Supervisor and/or Team Environmental Coordinator.

QUESTIONS OR NEED HELP?

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