

Memorandum

Florida Department of Environmental Protection

TO: Hazardous Waste Cleanup Section Staff

FROM: Brent Hartsfield, PE *BH*

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SUBJECT: Warning Signs

Please be reminded that Chapter 62-736, Warning Signs at Contaminated Sites, of the Department's rules was repealed on 12/27/95.

Current requirements for warning signs are found in Chapter 62-730, Hazardous Waste. A copy of the pertinent sections of the rule are attached.

Attachment
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62-730.181 Standards for the Management of Specific Hazardous Wastes and Specific Types of Hazardous Waste Management Facilities.

(1) The Department adopts by reference 40 CFR Part 266 revised as of July 1, 1998.

(2) Owners or operators of facilities claiming exemption to regulations under 40 CFR 266.20(b) shall maintain detailed operations records that may be used to determine if the claim of exemption is valid. The records shall be retained for at least three years and be made available to the Department upon request.

(3) Owners or operators of suspected or confirmed contaminated sites where a risk of exposure to the public may exist shall place warning signs as follows:

(a) Warning signs shall be at least 2 feet by 2 feet, made of durable weather resistant material, with a white background and red lettering of a size indicated in Figures 1,2,3 and 4.

(b) Warning signs shall be unobstructed and be mounted in such a manner that the center of the sign is approximately 56 inches above ground surface and is capable of being seen from at least 75 feet away.

(c) Warning sign text shall correspond with the following:

1. A contaminated site shall display warning signs consistent with Figure 1. A "contaminated site" means any area in which the soil, surface water or air is contaminated with hazardous waste;

2. A waste study site study area shall display warning signs consistent with Figure 2. A "waste site study area" means any area that is suspected, but not yet confirmed by analysis, of being contaminated with hazardous waste;

3. A site where a treatment system is operating shall display a warning sign consistent with Figure 3; and

4. A site which has a hazardous waste cover shall display a warning sign consistent with Figure 4.

(d) Text on all signs shall include the telephone number for a point of contact at the appropriate regulatory agency for information.

Figure 1

WARNING!	2" letters
NO TRESPASSING!	2" letters
CONTAMINATED AREA	1" letters
AVOID CONTACT WITH	1" letters
SOIL AND WATER	1" letters
FOR INFORMATION	1" letters
(000) 000-0000	1" letters

Figure 2

WARNING!
NO TRESPASSING!

2" letters
2" letters

WASTE SITE STUDY AREA
AVOID CONTACT WITH
SOIL AND WATER

1" letters
1" letters
1" letters

FOR INFORMATION
(000) 000-0000

1" letters
1" letters

Figure 3

WARNING!
NO TRESPASSING!

2" letters
2" letters

HAZARDOUS WASTE TREATMENT SYSTEM
AVOID CONTACT WITH EQUIPMENT

1" letters
1" letters

FOR INFORMATION
(000) 000-0000

1" letters
1" letters

Figure 4

WARNING!	2" letters
DO NOT DISTURB SOIL!	2" letters
HAZARDOUS WASTE COVER	1" letters
DANGEROUS MATERIAL MAY BE PRESENT	1" letters
BELOW GROUND SURFACE	1" letters
FOR INFORMATION	1" letters
(000) 000-0000	1" letters

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