

ABSORBENTS (USED FOR POL)

Pads, Towels, Booms, Rags

POSSIBLE AREAS OF CONCERN

Absorbent material saturated with POL or other materials may be flammable and/or toxic.

CHARACTERIZATION

Absorbent materials contaminated with POL are considered non-hazardous waste. Any materials other than POL, MAY BE considered Hazardous Waste. (See Hazardous Substances A-43).

HANDLING PROCEDURES

NOTE: If absorbent pads/paper towels/rags are contaminated with POL and are **NOT DRIPPING**, they may be disposed of in dumpster.

Step 1 Ensure all absorbent materials are separated by color (Yellow, White, Gray absorbent pads, see protocol page A-71 for absorbent color explanation)

Step 2 Double-bag used absorbent materials.

Step 3 Label bag with the words “Used absorbents soaked with ___” before adding the material.

Step 4 Put material in the bags. Wear proper PPE listed on the MSDS. Ensure bag is closed.

Step 5 Place bag in hazardous material return locker if less than 5 pounds.

NOTE: If greater than 5 pounds unit must take to PPOC.

NOTE: **Do Not** mix trash, plastic or filters with absorbent materials.



Please note: Absorbent bag is labeled



PPOC Spill Kit

GENERAL INFORMATION

Keep absorbents contaminated with hazardous waste separate from POL-saturated absorbents. Call **PPOC HazWaste Pick Up** if you clean up anything other than POL. They will provide guidance for proper disposal.