This document is one in a series of eight that provides guidance to safely manage used oil for those who generate, collect, burn, transport, process, re-refine or market used oil. This series does not replace the regulations found at WAC 173-303-515, but presents an overview of the used oil requirements. It is designed to answer questions regarding how the used oil is handled.

**What is Used Oil?**

Used oil is any oil that has been refined from crude oil, or any synthetic oil, that has been used and as a result of such use is contaminated by physical or chemical impurities (WAC 173-303-040 and 40 CFR 279.10). For more information on how the state defines used oil see Ecology publication #06-04-00x, *Materials that may or may not be managed as used oil in Washington State* (http://www.ecy.wa.gov/biblio/060400x.html).

**Who is a Used Oil Marketer?**

A person becomes a used oil marketer by either (1) being the first person to claim used oil meets on-specification limits; or (2) being the person who directs the shipment of off-specification used oil directly to a burner.

**Management Requirements for Used Oil Marketers**

- Get a RCRA Identification number from Ecology.
- Direct shipments of off-specification used oil to a facility with a RCRA ID number who will burn used oil in an industrial furnace or boiler.
- If applicable, test used oil to show it meets the on-specification limits.
- Before directing a shipment of off-specification used oil to a burner obtain a written and signed certification from the burner that the off-specification used oil will be burned in an industrial furnace or boiler.
- Maintain all analyses, notifications, certifications and tracking documents for at least three years.
- Secondary containment must be impervious to used oil.
- Label storage units and related pipes with “Used Oil.”
-Respond to spills by stopping, containing, and cleaning up the spill and making necessary repairs.
- Provide a written and signed certification to each source (generator, transporter, process, etc.) that the oil will be burned in an industrial furnace or boiler.
Frequently Asked Questions

Q As a used oil marketer, what records am I required to keep?
A • Keep the following information for each shipment of off- and on-specification used oil:
  • Name and address of transporters who delivered the oil to the burner.
  • Name and address of the off-specification burner.
  • All related RCRA ID numbers.
  • The quantity and date accepted or delivered.
  • A cross reference to test records for on-specification used oil.
• Keep test results and other information used to claim oil is on-specification used oil for three years.
• Keep copies of all certifications for three years.

Q I am a generator of used oil and own three sites. One site acts as an aggregation point. Would my other two sites be considered marketers if they send off- or on-specification used oil directly to my third site for burning for energy recovery?
A No. This used oil is considered to have come for the same generator.

Q As a used oil marketer, do I need to notify Ecology?
A Yes. You also need to notify Ecology if you are an off-specification used oil burner, transporter, or processor/re-refiner.