

**Illegal disposal and improper management of solid waste is a major problem in Arizona. Here are a few tips to prevent the most common solid waste violations:**



## **SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL**

If solid waste is dumped onto a piece of property, the property owner must ensure that the waste is properly disposed of by taking it to the nearest landfill or transfer station.

Make sure to pick up all litter on a daily basis and ensure that it does not go beyond property boundaries.

All solid waste facilities must have an approved solid waste facility plan before starting operations. To determine if a facility is a solid waste facility please refer to [www.azdeq.gov/environ/waste/solid/plan.html](http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/waste/solid/plan.html) for more information.



## **USED/WASTE TIRES**

If more than 100 used/waste tires are stored on-site, they should be taken to a registered Waste Tire Collection Site (WTCS) for disposal. Otherwise, the site is required to register as a WTCS. An initial registration fee of \$500 is required and an annual fee of \$75 must be paid.

If you choose to register instead of decreasing the tire quantity to less than 100 tires, it is required that “No Smoking” signs and Class 2A-10BC fire extinguishers be posted around the used/waste tire pile. In addition, used/waste tire storage requirements apply.

Please refer to ADEQ’s webpage at [www.azdeq.gov/environ/waste/solid/tires.html](http://www.azdeq.gov/environ/waste/solid/tires.html) for more information regarding used/waste tire collection site registration and storage requirements.



## USED OIL

Used oil must be stored in metal or plastic containers and labelled with the words "Used Oil". Ensure that the containers do not have cracks, corrosion or leaks. Any fill pipes associated with the containers must also be labelled "used oil".

The following steps must be done if used oil is spilled onto bare soil:

- Stop the spill
- Contain the oil spilled
- Clean up the spill by excavating the soil or using an absorbent material. Contain the soil and absorbents by placing in a proper container.
- Make sure the used oil storage container will not leak before using it again.

If you have questions regarding illegal dumping or the management of solid waste, please contact the Solid Waste Inspections and Compliance Unit.

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