Contaminated Surplus Property
Appendix 5: Hazardous Components Overview

HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS

A hazardous component is defined as any part of an item that is both integral to its operation and not hazardous unless any of the following is true:

- The item is improperly used
- The component escapes its containment
- The component expires, fails, leaks, or ruptures
- The item is offered for disposal as waste

Item Evaluation

The department must attach a completed Item Evaluation form listing the specific hazardous component(s) and the location of the component(s) on the item to be surplused (see BPPM 20.77 – Appendices 5A – FH).

Contact EH&S for more information; telephone 509-335-3041.

Examples

The materials listed below are considered to be hazardous components. This list provides examples and is not exhaustive.

- Asbestos-containing material (ACM) (Appendix 5A).
- Batteries that are spent, leaking or ruptured (Appendix 5B).
- Compressed gases, including refrigerants such as freon; ammonia; sulfur dioxide (Appendix 5C).
- Lasers (Appendix 5D).
- Mercury-containing devices (Appendix 5E).
- PCB-filled components (Appendix 5F).
- Radiation machine sources (Appendix 5G).
- Other known or recognized hazards, e.g., lead-containing materials, loose shelves, and sharp objects (Appendix 5H).