



**RT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INC.**  
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**NEW OHIO HAZARDOUS WASTE EXEMPTION**  
**FOR WIPES AND APPAREL**

A recent EPA final rule conditionally excludes contaminated wipes and apparel (that are not currently excluded under the solvent wipe rule) from regulation under the Ohio hazardous waste regulations when certain conditions are met.

The new rule applies to contaminated wipes and apparel such as rags, mops, drop cloths, and apparel (e.g., gloves, uniforms, smocks, and coveralls) made of woven or unwoven; natural or synthetic materials (e.g., fabric, leather or rubberlike material) that exhibit a characteristic of hazardous waste or are otherwise contaminated with hazardous waste as defined in Ohio rule 3745-51-03 of the Administrative Code when they are intended to be cleaned on-site or sent to a laundry or other cleaning facility.

Under the rule, wipes and apparel must be stored in closed non-leaking containers, contain no free liquids (as determined by a written procedure implemented by the generator), cannot contain acute hazardous waste, nor be mixed with hazardous waste.

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