



Auto Related Businesses Top 10 Violations

1. **Improper disposal of used absorbent.** If you use a dry absorbent to clean up oil in your shop you must put the used absorbent into a drum and label it. Cover the drum and have a registered waste hauler dispose of the waste.
2. **Discharging vehicle fluid to the ground.** Use drip pans under leaking vehicles until they can be repaired. Vehicle fluids on the ground must always be cleaned up properly.
3. **Failing to keep waste manifests on site.** Any time a regulated waste (i.e. used oil, used antifreeze, solvents, tires) leaves your shop to be disposed of, you must receive a manifest or receipt from the company hauling it away and keep it for three years. Keep a file of these receipts to keep them organized.
4. **Improper storage of waste fluids.** All waste fluids must be stored in approved containers with proper labeling and must be closed at all times. Clearly mark the contents of your containers with what is inside.
5. **Outside storage of tires.** Tires stored outside without rims will collect storm water and allow mosquitoes to breed. Cover the tires or store them inside.
6. **Washing vehicles without a sand/grit trap.** Washing vehicles with soap is not allowed unless you have an approved wash bay with a sand/grit trap. Clear water without soap is allowed to rinse vehicles.
7. **Painting/coating vehicles without an approved paint booth.** If you paint or apply primer to vehicles you must do so in an approved paint booth with the proper air authorization from the TCEQ.
8. **Using a power washer without backflow prevention device.** Contact the Environmental Quality Division when you have a device installed and have it tested annually.
9. **Inadequate solid waste disposal.** You must have a dumpster contract through Republic Services.
10. **Scattering of litter or garbage accumulated outside.** Keep your facility clean by taking time every day to pick up litter outside your place of business. This includes litter that did not originate from your facility.