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Hazardous wastes are sometimes shipped to or from other countries for treatment, disposal, or recycling. The vast majority of this waste trade occurs with Canada and Mexico, but the US also engages in hazardous waste trade with other countries. Importers and exporters of hazardous wastes must comply with applicable domestic laws and regulations, which include regulations under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

Related Links

[Revisions to OECD Imports and Exports Rule](#)

[Summary and Status of Proposed Hazardous Waste Exports to non-OECD Countries](#)

Below are resources to assist importers and exporters of hazardous wastes to understand and comply with RCRA requirements for transboundary shipment of hazardous wastes.

Code of Federal Regulations. Importers and exporters of [hazardous wastes](#) must comply with applicable domestic laws and regulations, which include regulations under RCRA, contained in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), at 40 CFR Part 262, [Subpart E](#) and [Subpart H](#).

Collection of Materials on Import/Export Regulatory Requirements. This [collection of materials](#) describes the regulatory requirements for importing and exporting hazardous waste under RCRA and includes frequently-asked questions, interpretative letters, and Federal Register notices.

- [Export of Cathode Ray Tubes \(CRTs\)](#)
- [Revisions to the Requirements for: Transboundary Shipments of Hazardous Wastes between OECD Member Countries, the Requirements for Export Shipments of Spent Lead-Acid Batteries, the Requirements for Submitting Exception Reports for Export Shipments of Hazardous Wastes, and the Requirements for Imports of Hazardous Wastes](#)

The Border Compliance Assistance Center. The [Center](#) [EXIT Disclaimer](#) provides information on the transport of cargo from Mexico into the United States, with special attention to solid and hazardous wastes.