Do you know how much it costs to get rid of hazardous waste?

HERE IS THE COST BREAKDOWN FOR DISPOSAL!

Batteries, Ni-Cad, Li or alkaline.........................................................$1.20/pound
   (about 50¢ per D size battery)
Corrosive liquids, no metals...............................................................$6.00/gallon
Corrosive liquids containing metals......................................................$21.00/gallon
Flammable liquids, bulk........................................................................$5.10/gallon
Flammable liquids, labpacked...............................................................$12.00/gallon
Flammable solids, labpacked...............................................................$17.00/gallon
PCB containing light ballasts...............................................................$6.00/each
Acid waste containing mercury.........................................................$$130.00/gallon
Other mercury waste...........................................................................$150.00/gallon
   (Note: mercury containing thermometers can cost as much a $50.00 each for disposal)
Oxidizing chemicals and peroxides......................................................$13.00/gallon
Reactive wastes, labpacked.................................................................$50.00/gallon
Fluorescent light tubes......................................................................$0.28/tube
Asbestos containing materials.........................................................$50.00/cubic yard
Miscellaneous hazardous waste liquids.............................................$7.00/gallon
Characterizing unknown hazardous wastes.....................................$50.00/per item
   (An unlabeled lecture gas bottle cost $8,500.00 for identification and disposal)

These figures reflect the costs associated with the disposal of hazardous wastes.
Labpacks are small individual containers which are packed into a larger drum for disposal.
Bulk packed wastes are liquids which are consolidated directly into a disposal container.

WASTE MINIMIZATION TIPS! - SAVE MONEY!

- Label chemical containers with the proper IUPAC name.
  (Symbols or abbreviations alone are not sufficient; e.g. Sulfuric Acid not H₂SO₄).
- Put expiration dates on labels and rotate stocks periodically.
  (Don’t let chemicals expire!)
- Use containers that are compatible with the chemicals in them.
- Select a waste container size to match the volume of waste.
  (We pay the same to dispose of partially filled containers as we do for full ones.)
- Substitute non-hazardous or less hazardous chemicals for hazardous chemicals whenever possible.
- Order only what you need - Don’t overstock!

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