

Getinge Clean

Detergent Disposition

In general, small amounts of Getinge Clean detergents can be disposed by pouring down the drain with a generous flush of water. Their corresponding containers should be triple-rinsed and the residual can also be flushed down the drain. Containers are composed of HDPE and can be recycled accordingly. Variance of this practice can occur as individual municipalities, states, and even individual facilities may have over-ruling ordinances, regulations, laws, or policies regarding such disposition, and need to be considered prior to disposing of any said detergents into the local sewer.

Section 15 of each detergent's Safety Data Sheet outlines any CERCLA or RCRA listed components. More information can be found on the CERCLA and the RCRA websites. Disposal requirements vary depending of the product's composition and the amount of product being disposed. If you have questions about product disposal, one procedure is to first ask your site Environmental Health and Safety office. Next contact your local municipality's sewer authority. Finally, contact your state and/or Federal Environmental Protection Administrations.

CERCLA (Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980, also known as Superfund) is a Federal "Tax on chemical and petroleum industries and provide(s) the Federal Government broad authority to respond directly to releases or threatened releases of hazardous substances that may endanger public health or the environment." CERCLA manages hazardous substances, raw materials and waste and their potential impact if released.

RCRA (Resource Conservation and Recovery Act) "creates the framework for proper management of hazardous and non-hazardous solid waste." This law gives the EPA oversight and authority over these materials' disposal.

References

1. <https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-cercla-overview>
2. <https://www.epa.gov/rcra>

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