

PAINTING CONTRACTOR QUICK TIPS

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Always use good judgment – Be sure your paint waste from your cans, brushes, rollers and rags is handled properly. If you are not sure of what to do or how to handle a situation, ask your supervisor.

Paint Cans:

- Use all of the paint in the can, whenever possible.
- Dry the can completely before putting the can in the trash, without the lid on the can. Oil based and latex paint empty cans may be disposed of in this manner.
- Cans that have liquid paint in them can NOT be placed in the trash.

Oil Based Paints and Solvents:

- Do not put oil based paint or solvents down the drain or in the trash.
- Rags that have oil based solvents on them must be placed in a proper oily rag container that is fire resistant. Do not put these rags in the trash.
- Keep containers, including paint thinner that is used to clean brushes, covered when not in use.
- Spent paint thinner must be treated as hazardous waste and can NOT be placed in the trash.

Latex Paint:

- Brushes, rollers and rags with latex paint on them can be cleaned in the designated facilities paint sink, or preferably one that catches the latex paint in a sump.
- Do not wash brushes rollers and rags with latex paint on them down a storm drain.

Paint Spills:

- Latex paint spills should be thoroughly soaked up using rags before rinsing the spill area with water.
- Oil based paint/solvent spills should be thoroughly soaked up using rags. In closed spaces, ensure sufficient ventilation (open windows, for example) and avoid breathing the fumes. Place the solvent soaked rags in a proper canister. These rags can NOT go in the trash.
- If more than a quart of paint or solvent spills, notify your supervisor immediately for assistance.

Emergencies:

- In the event of an emergency, call UT Security 813-257-7777. Describe the situation and ask Security to notify Steve Kucera or Jennifer Isenbeck or John Gavin of the situation.

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Consejos Rápidos de Pintura

Siempre use buen juicio. Los desperdicios de pintura, brochas, rodillios, y harapos ponganlos correcto en la basura. Si no sabe como hacerlo, pregunte a su supervisor.

Latas de Pintura:

- Si es posible, use toda la pintura.
- Secarse completamente antes de ponerla en la basura sin la tapa.
- Latas de pintura de petroleo y de latex los dos pueden disponer en esta manera.
- Latas con pintura liquida no se puede poner en la basura.

Pinturas y solventes de petroleo:

- No pongan pinturas de petroleo o solventes de petroleo debajo del fregadero o en la basura.
- Harapos con solventes de petroleo deben ponerse en un contenedor correcto que sea resistente al fuego. No pongan estos harapos en la basura.
- Cuando no se esten usando, cierren los contenedors de solventes.
- Solventes que no se usen son desperdicios peligrosos y no pueden ponerlas en la basura.

Pintura de latex:

- Brochas, rodillios y harapos con pintura latex pueden limpiarse en el fregadero (preferiblmente un fregadero con un tapa).
- No limpien brochas, roldillios y harapos arriba de los sumideros de tormentas.

Caidas de pintura:

- Caidas de pintura de latex debe limpar completamente con harapos antes de limpiar la zona con agua.
- Caidas de pintura o solvents de petroleo debe limpiar con harapos. En zonas cerradas, procure ventilacion suficiente (por ejemplo, abren las ventanas) y no respire. Pongan harapos con solvents en el contenedor correcto. No pongan estos harapos en la basura.
- Si es mas de un cuarto de galon cae al piso, notifique su superfisor inmediatamente para ayudar.

Emergencias:

- En casos de emergencia, llame seguridad de UT. Describa la situacion y pregunte a la seguridad notificar a Steve Kucera y Jennifer Isenbeck y John Gavin.

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