

Public Notice (to be published by 7/16/2026)

The State of Hawaii Department of Health will hold a public hearing for the proposed amendment of Hawaii Administrative Rules chapters 11-260.1 to 11-279.1, which regulate businesses that generate or manage hazardous wastes and used oil. The proposed amendments align state regulations with updates to the US Environmental Protection Agency's federal hazardous waste management program, conform terminology for universal waste accumulation, improve clarity, and correct formatting and typographical errors.

The proposed amendments are posted online at health.hawaii.gov/shwb/hazwaste and can be viewed at 2827 Waimano Home Rd #100 Pearl City, Mon-Fri, 8am-4pm (except state holidays). Copies will be mailed on request and payment of a 5 cent/page copy fee and postage; call 808-586-4226 to request.

The public hearing will be at 10am on August 27, 2026, at the Department of Health first floor Boardroom at 1250 Punchbowl St, Honolulu. All interested parties may attend and present relevant information, comments, and opinions, including but not limited to the ways in which the proposed amendments may impair or otherwise impact Native Hawaiian rights, traditions, and practices. To request an auxiliary aid or service (e.g. ASL interpreter, large print), call Noa at 808-586-4226 (voice/TDD) or e-mail noa.klein@doh.hawaii.gov as soon as possible to allow adequate time to fulfill your request.

Anyone unable to attend may send written testimony to Attn: Noa Klein – CHIO, 1250 Punchbowl Street, Honolulu, HI 96813 or noa.klein@doh.hawaii.gov. Testimony must be received by September 3.

The Hazardous Waste Management rules (chapters 11-260.1 to 11-279.1, Hawaii Administrative Rules) are designed to protect human health and the environment from pollution caused by mismanagement of hazardous waste and used oil. The Department of Health does not anticipate that the proposed amendments to these rules will impair or otherwise impact Native Hawaiian rights, traditions, and practices. Nevertheless, the Department welcomes input from stakeholders who may hold a different view.