NOTE: All DEA registrants must have an up-to-date DEA registration and Controlled Substance Use Authorization (CSUA) when in possession of any controlled substance to be used for research purposes.

When is disposal of CS necessary?
Disposal is necessary when the:

- Controlled substances are expired, unwanted, or no longer required for the research project. NOTE: Contents must be present in containers.
- Research project is closed or terminated and the controlled substances remain in possession of the Authorized User.
- DEA license or CSUA is about to expire and will not be renewed.
- DEA Registrant terminates employment at USC.

How do I dispose of expired/unwanted CS?
1. Complete, scan to PDF, and email EH&S at ehs-cs@usc.edu the following forms:
   - Controlled Substance Waste Disposal Request Form (CS form G).
   - CS Usage & Disposal Log (CS Form B) and CS Dilution Usage & Disposal log (CS Form B-1) for each controlled substance to be disposed of.
2. EH&S will create an account for the DEA registrant with the reverse distributor if one is not yet established.
   - Request DEA Form 222 for disposal of Schedule II drugs.
3. The DEA registrant will be notified by EH&S when the account is established to coordinate CS packaging, shipment, and disposal, and to provide further instruction.
   - A Chain of Custody form will be established and signed when CS is transferred to the shipping company.
   - Forward a copy of the Chain of Custody form with required signatures to EH&S at ehs-cs@usc.edu.
4. EH&S will notify the DEA registrant when CS is successfully delivered to the reverse distributor.

How do I dispose of precursor chemicals?
Unused/expired precursor chemicals must be disposed of as hazardous chemical waste. Refer to the Chemical Waste Disposal Guide Sheet for more information.

What are disposal options for empty CS vials?
Option 1: Deface label, rinse vial, and discard in clean glass waste container.
Option 2: Discard in pharmaceutical waste container.

Are there exceptions?
Yes. A CS spill as a result of a broken or damaged container will be treated as a hazardous chemical spill.
   - Consult the Safety Data Sheet of the CS for pertinent information.
2. Update the Usage and Disposal Log to reflect the loss of material.
3. Request a hazardous waste pick-up online.
4. Document the incident by completing the Controlled Substance Incident Report (CS Form F). Email completed form to EH&S at ehs-cs@usc.edu.
5. EH&S will work with labs to ensure they submit all necessary reports to the DEA (Form 106).

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