

STORAGE OF EMPTY DRUMS AND CONTAINERS POLICY

Many tenants of Jandakot Airport Holdings (JAH) use chemicals and hydrocarbons that are stored in 205L (44 gallon) drums. When empty, these drums, as well as other empty chemical containers, may be stored on site for later disposal or re-use.

Legislative and JAH requirements apply as to the appropriate methods for storing empty drums and containers on site.

AS/NZS 1940 Storage and Handling of Flammable and Combustible Liquids requires the following:

- Partially empty / used containers must be stored and treated as though they were full.
- “Nominally empty” containers (i.e. those that may contain vapour or small amounts of liquid) shall be stored in a manner that meets the following requirements:
 - The storage location shall allow for clear access of not less than 1m radius.
 - Storage areas for empty containers shall be clearly identified.
 - Containers exposed to the weather must be monitored for corrosion. Severely corroded containers shall be disposed of offsite to an appropriate facility.
 - Full bunding is not necessary; however, containment must be in place that ensures the environment would not be affected in the event of a spill or leak.
- Containers shall be considered nominally empty unless they have been decontaminated or gas-freed.

In addition to legislative requirements, JAH requires the following:

- The storage of empty / nominally empty containers shall not pose a safety risk, be unsightly or cause a nuisance for any airport user.
- As a minimum, empty / nominally empty containers shall be stored securely on a sealed surface, away from drains and stormwater runoff to unsealed ground. In addition, storage of empty containers airside is prohibited unless within a secure, purpose built compound or structure as approved by the Airport Building Controller.
- The minimum volume of empty containers shall be stored on site. Containers that are not required for re-use shall be disposed of offsite to an appropriate facility.
- There shall be no risk to the environment from the storage of empty containers.