

Health and Human Services Agency California Department of Public Health



Trauma Scene Waste (TSW) Management Practitioner Checklist

All Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioners are required to register with the Department of Public Health (Department). A trauma scene waste management practitioner is a person who undertakes, as a commercial activity, the removal of human blood, human body fluids, and other associated residues from the scene of a serious human injury, illness, or death, and who is registered with the Department (Health and Safety Code [HSC], Section 117778). A current list of Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioners is available on the Department website (cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CEH/DRSEM/Pages/EMB/MedicalWaste/Trauma-Scene.aspx).

Complete the Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioner Application (CDPH 8668A) and submit it to the Department. Please include an application and fee for each physical address used by the business for trauma scene waste management. Please attach additional sheets when necessary to complete your response. The application is available on the Department website (cdph.ca.gov/CDPH%20Document%20Library/ControlledForms/cdph8668a.pdf).
☐ If applicable, provide information on all registered hazardous waste haulers that are used to transport trauma scene medical waste collected. Note: Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioners are not required to be a registered hauler unless also transporting waste picked up from a medical waste generator. [HSC Section 118321.1(c)]
☐ Provide information on facilities used to transfer and treat trauma scene waste. Attach a copy of the current year service agreement with the permitted medical waste transporter(s), permitted offsite transfer station(s), permitted offsite treatment facility, or approved mail-back system (REQUIRED). For renewals, also include recent proof of disposal.
☐ Submit the proper fee(s) with a check made payable to the Medical Waste Management Fund, and mail to:

MAIL APPLICATION AND FEE TO:

California Department of Public Health Medical Waste Management Program IMS K-2, MS 7405 P.O. Box 997377 Sacramento, CA 95899-7377

OR COURIER TO:

California Department of Public Health Medical Waste Management Program 1725 23rd St. Ste 110 Sacramento, CA 95816

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Notes

- See current fees on the Medical Waste Management Program's Website. (cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CEH/DRSEM/CDPH%20Document%20Library/EMB/Me dicalWaste/Current_Fees_2025.pdf)
- Upon approval of your application, the Department will place your name on the current list of registered Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioners posted on the website.
- You must be in possession of an official certificate of registration/Trauma Scene Waste Management Practitioner Permit from the Department, or a copy thereof, prior to the initiation of trauma scene cleanup activities.
- Please refer to the California Occupational and Safety Administration's blood borne pathogen standards (29 CFR OSHA 1910.1030 (d)(3)) for personal protection for, and use by, workers in its accordance.
- If you fail to properly annually renew your registration, it will be subject to revocation.
- This checklist is provided to help with your application process. Keep for your records.

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