

# Chapter 173-330 WAC

## USED AUTOMOTIVE OIL RECYCLING SIGN REQUIREMENTS FOR AUTOMOTIVE OIL SELLERS

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**WAC 173-330-010 Purpose.** Pursuant to chapter 19.114 RCW it is recognized by the legislature that used automotive oil is a limited resource that can be collected and recycled. Further, improper disposal results in undesirable effects upon the economy and the environment.

These rules provide minimum requirements for the posting and maintaining of durable and legible signs informing the public of proper collection and disposal of used oil.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-010, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-020 Applicability.** All sellers as defined in WAC 173-330-030 shall conform to the provisions of this chapter.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-020, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-030 Definitions.** Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, the definitions in this section apply throughout this chapter.

(1) "Used oil" means automotive oil which through use, storage, or handling has become unsuitable for its original purpose due to the presence of impurities or the loss of original properties.

(2) "Recycle" means to prepare used oil for reuse as a petroleum product by refining, re-refining, reclaiming, re-processing, or other means or to use used oil as a substitute for a petroleum product made from new oil, provided that the preparation or use is operationally safe, environmentally sound, and complies with all laws and rules.

(3) "Department" means the department of ecology.

(4) "Director" means the director of the department of ecology.

(5) "Person" means an individual, private or public corporation, partnership, cooperative, association, estate, municipality, political subdivision or governmental agency or instrumentality.

(6) "Seller" means any person selling oil within the state of Washington who sells 100 gallons or more of automotive oil per year for use off their premises.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-030, filed 7/19/84.]

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**WAC 173-330-040 Responsibility to procure and post sign.** It shall be the responsibility of all sellers to procure, post and maintain a sign in accordance with the provisions within this chapter. Signs will be provided by the department.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-040, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-050 Sign criteria.** (1) A sign shall be constructed of white card stock - 80# or of equal or better weight and quality material and:

- Be commercially printed;
- Be size 11" x 14" or 3" x 5" shelf hangers;
- Have type style - Helvetica;
- Have type color - Green #345; and
- Carry the recycling logo.

(2) ALL SIGNS WILL CARRY THIS MESSAGE:

RECYCLE USED OIL

- \* Prevent water pollution
- \* Protect public health
- \* Reuse limited resources

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(3) The sign shall indicate how and where used oil may be properly disposed of including the location and hours of operation of conveniently located used oil collection facilities. This information may be clearly handwritten in an information block on the sign.

(4) The sign shall be substantially in the form shown in WAC 173-330-900 contained herein.

(5) Oil sellers may provide their own signs. Limited variances from the sign criteria will be allowed, subject to the department's approval. Proofs of the seller-provided signs must be submitted to the department for written approval prior to posting.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-050, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-060 Posting and maintenance of signs.**

(1) Signs shall be posted in a location visible to the public at or near the point of sale. This location shall either be at the automotive oil display location within the store, at the cash register or on the exterior window facing.

(2) Signs shall be maintained at the required location and shall remain fully visible and legible at all times.

(3) Requests for replacement of damaged, lost or misplaced signs will be made in a timely manner not to exceed two business days. Seller-provided signs should be replaced as soon as practical but not to exceed fourteen days.

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[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-060, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-070 Effective date and compliance. (1)**

This chapter shall become effective October 1, 1984. Sellers shall post signs in accordance with the provisions of this chapter as of that date.

(2) Sellers shall notify the department in writing by January 1, 1985 of compliance.

[Statutory Authority: Chapter 19.114 RCW. WSR 84-16-005 (Order DE 84-24), § 173-330-070, filed 7/19/84.]

**WAC 173-330-900 Logo and sign.**



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 CONTRIBUTES TO THE OVERALL SHORTAGE  
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<p>RECYCLE USED OIL AT:          LOCATION _____          TIMES _____</p>
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