

- Properly close storage tank systems by obtaining a Storage Tank Facility Modification/Closure license
- Provide for closure inspection access

We may refund an unused license year if, within the first year of a license term, the facility has provided the required notification, is properly closed and passes a closure inspection.

### What if I sell my business?

- Licenses are owner/operator specific
- We require transfer application from the new owner within 30 days of sale or legal transfer. The Application for Transfer of Hazardous Material/Storage Tank/Solid Waste License form is available under the "License Transfer Section" under "License Applications" at [broward.org/PollutionPrevention](http://broward.org/PollutionPrevention)
- The current licensee is responsible for open violations

### What if I move my business?

- Licenses are site specific.
- Submit a Notification form for closing a hazardous material facility available under the "Hazardous Material Section" under "License Applications" at [broward.org/PollutionPrevention](http://broward.org/PollutionPrevention). A closure inspection will be performed to ensure all hazardous materials have been properly disposed of and removed.
- Properly close any storage tank system by obtaining a Storage Tank Facility Modification/Closure license.
- If your new location is in Broward County, file an application for the new location once hazardous materials are brought on site.
- Obtain a license prior to installing storage tanks at new location by obtaining a Storage Tank Facility Modification/Construction License.

### What can be done about competitors who do not have a license?

If you suspect unlicensed activity, contact Licensing Section at 954-519-1457 or the environmental complaint line 954-519-1499. You may remain anonymous.

For technical information and assistance, please contact:

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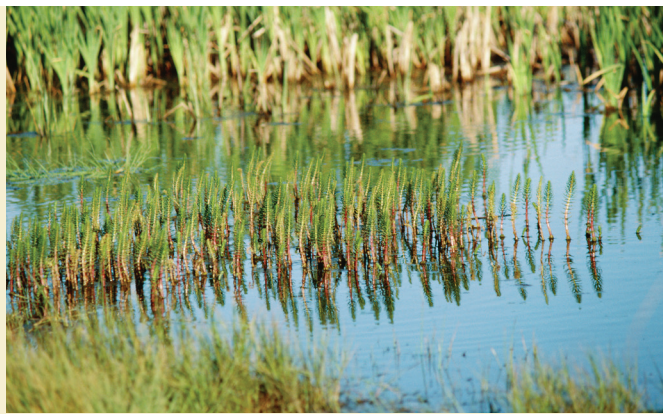
# Hazardous Material & Storage Tank Licensing in Broward County

Pollution Prevention, Remediation and Air Quality Division



## Why does Broward County license businesses?

- To keep hazardous materials out of the environment
- To protect our environmental quality of life
- To protect the public health
- To enhance our economic quality of life
- To provide the authority to enforce environmental laws



## What are the license fees for?

- Protection of the County's drinking water supply
- Pollution prevention outreach and assistance
- 6,000 annual inspections
- Environmental education and public outreach including:
  - Best management practices
  - Technical bulletins and reports
  - Industry workshops

## What types of activities does Broward County license?

Facilities that use or store hazardous materials such as:

- Aircraft maintenance
- Auto repair facilities and paint and body shops
- Battery powered or back up battery powered facilities (towers)
- Dry cleaners
- Electronics manufacturing facilities
- Gas stations
- Golf courses
- Metal finishing facilities
- Non-residential and condominium buildings with diesel fueled generators
- Photo processing
- Water and wastewater treatment plants

## Whom does Broward County license?

Business owners or operators whose activities involve hazardous materials. Due to streamlining measures such as developing two-year licenses, automation and our commitment to process improvement, hazardous material license fees have not increased since 2008!

## How are license fees calculated?

License fees are based upon the type of activity and the number of employees involved in activities associated with hazardous materials. For additional information, view the license fee schedule at [broward.org/PollutionPrevention/Pages](http://broward.org/PollutionPrevention/Pages), click on License Applications, then visit the Hazardous Material Section.

## Do other counties issue a similar license?

Yes. For example, Miami-Dade County, has a comparable license and annual fee rate.

## How can I obtain a license?

Mail us your application. The application forms can be obtained from a License Coordinator at 954-519-1260 or from our web site under the "Hazardous Material Section" under "License Applications" at [broward.org/PollutionPrevention](http://broward.org/PollutionPrevention)

Pay license fees within 30 days of receipt of our invoice.

## What if I close my business?

- At least 30 days prior to closing, complete and submit a Notification form for closing a hazardous material facility, available under the "Hazardous Material Section" under "License Applications" at [broward.org/PollutionPrevention](http://broward.org/PollutionPrevention)
- Properly remove or dispose of all hazardous materials by using a licensed waste hauler
- Have manifests and invoices available for inspection

## What are the benefits to the facility for having a license?

- Provides regulated community with assistance in preventing costly environmental damage through routine inspections and plan review
- Ensures that regulations are equitably applied to all the regulated community
- Reduces insurance premiums for some license holders
- Is a transferable business asset
- Supports a positive environmental history on the property
- Furnishes Pollution Prevention consultation
- Bolsters eligibility for the Broward County Emerald Award

