

**Ontario Ministry of Environment and Climate Change**  
**Hazardous Waste Information Systems Public Information Dataset (PIDS)**

The Public Information Dataset was created to allow public access to waste data collected under Ontario Regulation 347.

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Please refer to Public Information Dataset User Guide 2015 in the dataset (filename: PIDS User Guide 2015.doc)

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- All generator, carrier and receiver company information was provided by the generator, carrier or receiver
- Certain data (i.e. NAICS codes) is not complete for all companies, be sure to include nulls when creating any queries to retrieve a complete dataset
- Waste codes: generators may have duplicate waste codes for several reasons, including that some may be managed on-site while others may be disposed of off-site, and some may have different physical states;
- Generator waste represents wastes that were at one time active, and does not necessarily reflect active wastes in 2015;

- Waste physical state: the physical state of each generator waste code was provided by the generator and was not confirmed as being accurate by the Ministry;
- Handling code: handling codes for generator waste codes were not included in this dataset;
- On-site waste management: data on waste managed on-site were not included in this dataset this omission represents only a small fraction of the total waste generated.

Company and waste data are submitted by waste generators during the registration process and updated throughout the year as required. Waste movement data is entered throughout the year based on manifest documents submitted by generators and receivers. All data originates from generators, carriers and receivers through online data entry or correspondence with HWIN administrative staff. The data may be entered by the generators or HWIN administrative staff, or transferred to HWIN through the HWIN Paper system if applicable. Modification to the data is only performed at the request and consent of the companies involved, by generator registration, generator registration updates, manifests entry and manifest corrections submitted by companies.