

Utility Poles Technical Data

Disposal of CCA-Treated Poles

Following removal from service, treated wood poles should be disposed of in accordance with federal and state requirements.

Used CCA poles are not classified as a hazardous waste and can be taken to landfills that accept material of such type and size. (Refer to 40 Code of Federal Regulations sections 261.4 exclusions.) Used poles can be burned but only in commercial or industrial incinerators or boilers in compliance with government regulations.

If used poles are sold or made available to interested parties at no charge, a copy of the Consumer Safety Information Sheet, describing proper use and handling, should be given to anyone accepting poles. Many utilities also require recipients to sign a release form that indemnifies the utility against future liability, costs and judgments.