



# Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs)

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EPA provides various paths for the public to access information about PCBs. On this website you may access information about PCBs and their [health effects](#). If you would like to learn more about the [laws and regulations](#) that govern PCBs, EPA maintains a listing of the laws and regulations applicable to PCBs. If you have a question about the PCB regulations, EPA has developed [interpretive guidance](#) in the format of question and answer documents. EPA maintains lists of approved companies that [handle PCB wastes](#). This lists include: [storage](#) and [disposal](#) companies, [alternative decontamination procedures](#), and [scrap metal recovery ovens](#). EPA also maintains two [databases](#) - PCB Activity Database (PADS) and Transformer Registration and applicable forms.

If you want to contact EPA Headquarters regarding a specific PCB topic or your regional PCB coordinator, please check our "[Contact Us](#)" page.

This website also links to other EPA and Federal web pages containing [information about PCBs](#) and other waste programs.

**PCB Highlights**

**News:** **Ex-Oriskany** - EPA issued to the U.S. Navy and the state of Florida an Approval to Dispose of Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) contained in electrical cable and other non-liquid materials and equipment onboard the decommissioned USS Oriskany. This approval allows the Navy to deploy the ex-Oriskany as an artificial reef in the East Escambia Large Area Artificial Reef Site, located in the Gulf of Mexico, approximately 23 miles south of Pensacola, Fla.  
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