

Stix Essential is a water-based aerosol spray adhesive with a non-flammable propellant, which is supplied in 22 oz. aluminum spray cans. Used and empty aerosol cans may be recycled once they have been punctured and relieved of pressure.

Stix Essential aluminum aerosol cans that are empty of adhesive and relieved of pressure meet the definition of scrap metal in accordance with 40 CFR 261.1(c)(6), and if recycled, would also be exempt from RCRA regulations under 40 CFR 261.6(a)(3)(iv). The cans may then be collected by a recycler that handles aluminum or steel, or put into a bin designated for steel or aluminum at the nearest available recycling facility or curbside program.

Empty aerosol cans that are still pressurized are considered hazardous per 40 CFR 261.23 (a)(6) because they are capable of bursting if heated or mishandled. The process of depressurizing aerosol cans can be done safely by a properly equipped recycle center. No one should puncture an aerosol can unless equipped to do so.

Recycling or disposal options for aerosol cans that still contain adhesive should be determined by a hazardous waste-processing facility. If unsure about how aerosol can recycling or disposal is regulated, contact the local or State solid waste office or the EPA regional office to learn the applicable requirements.

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