

QUESTION: Is the open burning of waste explosives the same as the detonation of waste explosives?

ANSWER: No; 40 CFR 265.382 distinguishes between “open burning” and “detonation” of waste explosives on the basis of the speed of the chemical reaction. RCRA regulates them the same way, however, by providing property distance requirements depending on the quantity (pounds) of waste explosives or propellants.

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