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PREVENTING SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION

Spontaneous combustion occurs when a material begins self-heating to the point of ignition.

STATISTICS:

- Average of 14,070 fires per year attributed to spontaneous combustion.
- Oily rags contributed to 35% of residential fires caused by spontaneous combustion.
 Most common ignition trigger.
- The majority of these fires occurred in garages where vehicles are kept, causing significant property damage.

PREVENT SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION OF OIL SOAKED RAGS:

- Do not let used rags sit too long after use
- Wash/rinse after each use
 - When washing, separate each rag by the chemical used
 - Mixing chemicals could cause a reaction and combustion
 - If it is not possible to wash/rinse after use, store rags in metal containers
 - Again, separate rags and containers by chemical used
- Dry rags at appropriate temperatures
 - Any left-over chemicals could ignite if the temperature is too high
- Keep area where rags are stored well ventilated
 - A steady air flow could keep rags from overheating



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