(3) Every person engaged in generation, processing, treatment, package, storage, transportation, use, collection, destruction, conversion, offering for sale, transfer or the like of the hazardous waste or occupier of the facility shall make an application in Form 1 to the State Pollution Control Board for authorization within a period of sixty days from the date of commencement of these rules:

Provided that any person authorized under the provisions of the Hazardous Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989, prior to the date of coming into force of these rules, shall not require to make an application for authorization till the period of expiry of such authorization.

- (4) On receipt of the application complete in all respects for the authorization, the State Pollution Control Board may, after such inquiry as it considers necessary and on being satisfied that the applicant possesses appropriate facilities, technical capabilities and equipment to handle hazardous waste safely, grant within a period of one hundred and twenty days an authorization in Form 2 to the applicant which shall be valid for a period of five years and shall be subject to such conditions as may be laid down therein.
- (5) The State Pollution Control Board may after giving reasonable opportunity of being heard to the applicant refuse to grant any authorization.
- (6) Every person authorized under these rules shall maintain the record of hazardous wastes handled by him in Form 3 and prepare and submit to the State Pollution Control Board, an annual return containing the details specified in Form 4 on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> day of June following to the financial year to which that return relates.
- (7) An application for the renewal of an authorization shall be made in Form 1, before its expiry and the State Pollution Control Board may renew the authorization after examining each case on merit subject to the condition that there has been no report of violation of the provisions of the Act or the rules made thereunder or conditions specified in the authorization.
- (8) The occupier or operator of the facility shall take all the steps, wherever required, for reduction and prevention of the waste generated or for recycling or reuse and comply the conditions specified in the authorization.
- (9) The State Pollution Control Board shall maintain a register containing particulars of the conditions imposed under these rules for management of hazardous waste, and it shall be open for inspection during office hours to any person interested or affected or a person authorized by him on his behalf.