

What is Household Hazardous Waste?

When leftover paint, used oil, pool chemicals and other products containing hazardous materials are no longer wanted, they become “Household Hazardous Waste,” or “HHW.” It is illegal to dispose of HHW in the garbage, down drains, or onto the ground, as it may threaten human health or the environment. Illegally disposed hazardous waste can release chemicals into the environment and contaminate our air, water, and even the food we eat. Americans generate over 1.6 million tons of HHW per year; that’s about 100 pounds of HHW for every household!



IN THE HOME

Household Cleaners

- Abrasive Cleaners
- Ammonia-based Cleaners
- Bleach-based Cleaners
- Chlorine Bleach
- Disinfectants
- Drain Openers
- Glass Cleaners
- Oven Cleaners
- Scouring Powder
- Spot Removers
- Toilet Bowl Cleaners
- Upholstery & Rug Cleaners
- Other Chemicals

Other Household Products

- Aerosol Spray Cans
- Floor Polish
- Furniture Polish
- Mercury Devices
- Medications*
- Mothballs
- Nail Polish & Remover
- Propane Tanks (5 gallon maximum)
- Silver Polish
- Sharps (lancets, blood test items)**
- Syringes**
- Thermometers

* No controlled substances

** Must be delivered in a sealed biohazard container or heavy duty (puncture proof) plastic container with lid.

IN THE GARDEN

Pesticides & Garden Products

- Chemical Fertilizers
- Flea Collars, Sprays & Bombs
- Fungicides & Pesticides
- Herbicide & Weed Killers
- Insecticide & Bug Killers
- Rodent Poisons
- Snail & Slug Poisons

Pool & Hobby Products

- Artist & Model Paints
- Solvents
- Photographic Chemicals
- Pool Chemicals, including Disinfectants & PH Balancing Chemicals
- Solvent-Based & Epoxy Glues

Visit Our Reuse Room For FREE Products!

The Household Hazardous Waste Facility Reuse Room has products available that are new or partially used. Items typically include usable paint, solvents, plant fertilizers, pesticides, cleaners, pool supplies and much more. Residents may take items for home use **FREE** of charge.

Conditions apply.

IN THE GARAGE

Automotive Products

- Antifreeze
- Auto & Motorcycle Batteries
- Auto Paint & Primer
- Car Waxes & Polishes
- Engine Cleaner & Degreaser
- Gasoline & Diesel Fuel
- Kerosene
- Motor Oil
- Solvents & Acids
- Transmission Fluid
- Other Automotive Fluids

Paint Products

- Enamel & Oil-based Paint
- Furniture Stripper
- Latex & Water-based Paint
- Paint Stripper
- Rust Paint
- Sealers
- Stain
- Thinner, Solvent & Turpentine
- Varnish
- Wood Preservative

For other convenient paint take-back locations, visit

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UNIVERSAL WASTE

Common Hazardous Items or Products

- Batteries:
 - Single Use
 - Rechargeable
 - Sealed Lead Acid
 - Automotive
- Fluorescent Lights & Bulbs
- Mercury Devices:
 - Mercury Thermometers
 - Mercury Thermostats
 - Other Devices Containing Mercury
- Consumer Electronic Devices* (e-waste):
 - Tablet
 - Cellular Phones
 - Computers and Cables
 - Computer Monitors**
 - Printers
 - Radios & Stereos
 - Telephones
 - Televisions**
 - VCR/DVD Players
 - Other Small Consumer Electronics

*Limit of 5 large electronic devices per trip.

**48 inch screen maximum at this facility.

Residents may legally transport a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste to the HHW facility per trip. No containers larger than 5 gallons will be accepted.

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HHW FACILITY OPEN THURSDAY - SUNDAY FROM 9:00AM - 3:00PM (EXCLUDING HOLIDAYS)

Household Hazardous Waste In The Home

Household Hazardous Waste should never be thrown in the trash, washed down the drain, or poured onto the ground.

- Never leave hazardous products within reach of children.
- Buy products in smaller sizes with less or no harmful ingredients.
- REDUCE waste by purchasing only the amount needed to do the job.
- REUSE by donating unused portions of common items, such as paint or fertilizer, to the HHW facility, community organizations, or friends.
- RECYCLE by taking acceptable materials that you no longer want, to the HHW Facility.

How Can I Determine How Hazardous Products Are?

Determining how hazardous products are may not be simple, but reading the labels will give you some clues. Hazardous products are often marked with warning labels or cautions because they contain chemicals that may be TOXIC, FLAMMABLE, CORROSIVE or REACTIVE.

To reduce the hazards in your home, read the labels on competing products and choose products that are non-hazardous or less hazardous. Products labeled “caution” or “warning” are generally less harmful than those that are labeled with “danger” or “poison.”

Look for these key terms on the product label:

CAUTION:

Mild to Moderately Hazardous

WARNING:

Moderately Hazardous

DANGER:

Extremely Flammable, Corrosive or Toxic

POISON:

Highly Toxic

COUNTY ORDINANCE PROHIBITS DUMPING ANYTHING DOWN A STORM DRAIN OR INTO A WATERWAY. TO REPORT STORM DRAIN DUMPING, PLEASE CALL: (866) 755-4955



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Poison Control: (800) 222-1222

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

San Joaquin County Household Hazardous Waste Facility

7850 R.A. Bridgeford Street
Stockton, CA 95206
(209) 468-3066

Hours:

Thursday - Sunday: 9:00 am to 3:00 pm
Closed New Year's Day, Easter Sunday, 4th of July, Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.



DIRECTIONS TO HHW FACILITY:

From I-5: Take French Camp Rd. exit, proceed east on Arch Airport Rd./Sperry Rd., turn right on Airport Way, turn left on C.E. Dixon St., turn right on R.A. Bridgeford St., turn left into facility at “Entrance Only” gate.

From Highway 99: Take Arch Rd. exit, proceed west, turn left on Airport Way, turn left on C.E. Dixon St., turn right on R.A. Bridgeford St., turn left into facility at “Entrance Only” gate.

Transportation Rules:

- Residents may legally transport a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste per trip.*
- No containers larger than 5 gallons will be accepted.
- Don't mix chemicals.
- Place chemicals in sealed containers.
- Transport in trunk and pack to avoid spilling.

* We reserve the right to reject any loads that exceed legal limits.

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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DISPOSAL GUIDE



FREE DISPOSAL
of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) for residents of San Joaquin County.



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