



# TOWN OF HERNDON

*Enriching the Quality of Life and Promoting a Sense of Community*

The Town does not collect household hazardous waste. Special Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events are usually held twice a year at various locations throughout Fairfax County. Please watch the Town's Website for upcoming events information. Residents may also take household hazardous waste to Fairfax County's I-66 Transfer Station Complex located at 4618 West Ox Road, Fairfax, VA

The hours of operation are as follows:

Thursday: 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday: 8 a.m. - Noon

Saturday: 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday: 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Please visit Fairfax County Website for more information at:  
<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/trash/disphours.htm#Haz>

Materials are also accepted at household hazardous waste community collection events.  
Upcoming dates are posted at:

<http://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/dpwes/recycling/calendar.htm>



## What is Household Hazardous Waste?

Household hazardous waste refers to used or leftover contents of consumer products that contain materials with one of the four characteristics of a hazardous waste: Toxic, Ignitable, Corrosive or Reactive as defined by the [EPA](#). The Fairfax County Household Hazardous Waste Program accepts hazardous chemicals **generated by residents** FREE OF CHARGE and

disposes or recycles them according to all local, state and federal regulations. [Hazardous wastes from businesses](#) are handled separately.

Household hazardous waste is best managed outside of the regular municipal solid waste stream. If handled properly, it will decrease the likelihood that these elements will enter the environment.

The safest way to dispose of household hazardous waste is to carefully pack them up and bring them to one of the county's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Sites. **NOTE: This service is available to Fairfax County residents only.**

Please read the following chart carefully. Only items marked "YES" in the second column may be taken to one of the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site.

Material	Is the Material Accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Sites?  YES or NO	Additional Instructions
Acids	<b>YES</b>	
Aerosol sprays	<b>YES</b>	
Ammunition or explosives	<b>NO</b>	Call the Police Department, <b>703-246-2253, TTY 703-204-2264.</b>
Asbestos products	Review additional instructions	<b>See "Asbestos" in our list of Acceptable/Unacceptable Waste.</b>
Batteries, household	Button batteries, rechargeable batteries - <b>YES</b>  Alkaline (A, AA, C), Carbon Zinc batteries - <b>NO</b>	Dispose of Alkaline and Carbon Zinc batteries.  Rechargeable batteries are accepted at the <u>Household Hazardous Waste Sites</u> as well as at a variety of other <u>collection points</u> .
Cleaning products	Polishes, rust removers, floor care products - <b>YES</b>  Ammonia-based cleaners, drain cleaners, most bathroom cleaners - <b>NO</b>	Pour ammonia-based cleaners, drain cleaners and most bathroom cleaners down the drain inside your home. NEVER pour products down storm drains.
Coal tar products (driveway, foundation and roof sealers)	<b>YES</b>	
Compressed gas cylinders	<b>NO</b>	Return to point of purchase.  Also see gas propane tanks.
Creosote products (wood treatment products, wood sealers)	<b>YES</b>	
Fireworks and Flares	<b>NO</b>	Dispose of legal fireworks in trash after first soaking in water. Contact

		the Fire Prevention Division, <b>703-246-4849, TTY 703-385-4419</b> regarding illegal fireworks.
Fluorescent light bulbs	<b>YES</b>	
Glue	Solvent-based glue - <b>YES</b> Water-based glue - <b>NO</b>	Dispose of water-based glue in trash.
Gas propane tanks	Small hand-type torches - <b>YES</b> Tanks weighing over 20 pounds - <b>NO</b>	Tanks up to 20 pounds such as those used on gas grills can be taken to one of the <a href="#">Citizens' Recycling and Disposal Facilities</a> for a fee. Also see compressed gas cylinders.
Home repair/renovation	Varnish and stains, driveway sealers - <b>YES</b> Also see "Paint"	
Inks and dyes	<b>YES</b>	
Medicines	<b>NO</b>	Put medicine inside a can with a lid or a sealable bag and then place in the trash. If possible, first mix medications with kitty litter or used coffee grounds. Do not pour medications down drain or flush them down the toilet unless the label specifically directs you to do so. NEVER pour products down storm drains. Also see syringes and needles.
Mercury products	<b>YES</b>	
Moth balls	<b>YES</b>	
Paint	Oil-based paint, paint thinner - <b>YES</b> Latex paint - <b>NO</b>	Allow latex paint to dry, then dispose of it in the regular trash. (TIP: You can pour latex paint onto an old newspaper. Once dry, roll up the newspaper and dispose of it in the trash.)
Photographic mixes	<b>NO</b>	Diluted developers, fixers, etc. can be poured down the drain inside your home. NEVER pour products down storm drains.
Poisons	<b>YES</b>	Label clearly.
Pool chemicals	<b>YES</b>	

Radioactive materials	<b>NO</b>	See our list of Hazardous Waste Disposal Companies under <a href="#">Business Hazardous Waste</a> .
Smoke Alarms	<b>NO</b>	May throw in trash or send back to manufacturer.
Syringes and needles	<b>NO</b>	Dispose in regular trash after placing in an empty can or jar with screw on lid. Mark the container "residential sharps."
Yard care products	<p>Pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, weed killers - <b>YES</b></p> <p>Fertilizers (lawn and garden, tree spikes) - <b>NO</b></p>	Dispose of fertilizers in regular trash.

### Procedures for Packing and Transporting Household Hazardous Waste

- Keep products in their original containers. Do not mix products. Make sure lids are tightly sealed. Label materials that are not in their original containers.
- Place leaking containers in a larger, plastic container with a tight-fitting lid.
- Secure products upright in cardboard box so that they do not tip over in transport. Do not transport products in plastic bags.
- Transport products in the back of a pickup truck or in a car trunk. Ensure adequate ventilation if transported in car passenger compartment.
- Keep flammables out of direct sunlight and away from sources of heat, spark, flame or ignition. Do not smoke.

©Copyright Fairfax County, Virginia