



R-7 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Household hazardous wastes (HHW) are defined as waste materials which are typically found in homes or similar sources, which exhibit characteristics such as: corrosivity, ignitability, reactivity, and/or toxicity, or are listed as hazardous materials by EPA.

List of most common HHW products:

- Drain openers
- Oven cleaners
- Wood and metal cleaners and polishes
- Automotive oil and fuel additives
- Grease and rust solvents
- Carburetor and fuel injection cleaners
- Starter fluids
- Batteries
- Paint Thinners
- Paint strippers and removers
- Adhesives
- Herbicides
- Pesticides
- Fungicides/wood preservatives

Many types of waste can be recycled; however options for each waste type are limited. Recycling is always preferable to disposal of unwanted materials. All gasoline, antifreeze, waste oil, and lead-acid batteries can be recycled. Latex and oil-based paint can be reused, as well as recycled. Materials that cannot be reused or recycled should be disposed of at a properly permitted landfill.

Think before disposing of any household hazardous waste. Remember - The Ocean starts at your front door.

| The activities outlined in this fact sheet target the following pollutants: | |
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| Sediment | |
| Nutrients | |
| Bacteria | |
| Foaming Agents | x |
| Metals | x |
| Hydrocarbons | x |
| Hazardous Materials | x |
| Pesticides and Herbicides | x |
| Other | x |



Required Activities

- Dispose of HHW at a local collection facility. Call (714) 834-6752 for the household hazardous waste center closest to your area.
- Household hazardous materials must be stored indoors or under cover, and in closed and labeled containers.
- If safe, contain, clean up, and properly dispose all household hazardous waste spills. If an unsafe condition exists, call 911 to activate the proper response team.

Recommended Activities

- Use non-hazardous or less-hazardous products.
- Participate in HHW reuse and recycling. Call (714) 834-6752 for the participating household hazardous waste centers.

The California Integrated Waste Management Board has a Recycling Hotline (800) 553-2962, that provides information and recycling locations for used oil.

For additional information contact:
 City of Lake Forest – Public Works Department
 (949)461-3480 or visit our website at: www.lakeforestca.gov