

Too Toxic To Trash!



Hazardous Waste Disposal For Businesses

A business that generates less than 220 pounds or 27 gallons of hazardous waste a month is considered a Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generator (CESQG). This program offers businesses an affordable way to comply with state laws and regulations for disposal of hazardous wastes. Wastes can be consolidated, saving each business the expense of hiring an independent waste hauler.

Appointments are required and there is a charge for this service. Call the Napa-Vallejo Hazardous Waste Collection Facility for more information @ 800 984-9661 or Recology Vacaville Solano Recycling Center at 800 207-8222, or Republic Services, Solano Garbage at 707 437-8971.

Protect your business and employees by disposing of unwanted, unused, and out-of-date hazardous wastes properly.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

HHW are corrosive, toxic, reactive, or flammable materials found in our homes that are illegal to put in the trash or pour down storm drains, sewers, or on the ground. Such consumer waste products, if carelessly managed, can and frequently do, create environmental and public health hazards.

Consumers can transport a maximum of 15 gallons or 125 pounds per trip.

Examples Of Household Hazardous Wastes

Household:

- ◆ Polishes & cleaners
- ◆ Oven cleaners ◆ Drain openers
- ◆ Lighter fluids
- ◆ Unwanted medications ◆ Syringes
- ◆ Cosmetics
- ◆ Fluorescent bulbs
- ◆ Rechargeable or Alkaline batteries

Garden Or Landscape:

- ◆ Fungicides ◆ Insecticides
- ◆ Herbicides ◆ Pool chemicals

Garage Or Workshop:

- ◆ Latex & oil-based paints
- ◆ Paint thinner & strippers
- ◆ Wood preservatives
- ◆ Grease & rust solvents
- ◆ Wood & metal cleaners
- ◆ Glues & cements
- ◆ Photo chemicals
- ◆ Antifreeze ◆ Transmission fluids
- ◆ Gasoline & fuel additives
- ◆ Carburetor cleaners
- ◆ Batteries ◆ Used oil & oil filters

Residents can recycle HHW for free. See details listed below.

“New” Local Paint Recycling: www.paintcare.org

Benicia: Allied Waste Services will pick up HHW from your curb by appointment only. Call 707 747-0608

Dixon, Vacaville and Unincorporated Areas: The HHW facility is located at the Recology Vacaville Solano Recycling Center, 855 1/2 Davis Street in Vacaville. No appointments are necessary for this service. The center is open every Saturday from 9am to 3pm.

Fairfield, Suisun, Travis and Unincorporated Areas: By appt. only at Republic Services, Solano Garbage 2901 Industrial Court, Fairfield . Appointments are required , call 707 437-8971. This center is open for HHW on the 2nd & 4th Saturday from 9am-12pm.

See separate pages for SHARPS Disposal and PHARMACEUTICAL/ DRUG Disposal.

Rio Vista: Contact Rio Vista Sanitation Service at 707 374-5644 for annual HHW drop off events.

Vallejo Residents only.

Vallejo: Vallejo-Napa Household Hazardous Waste Facility located at 889A Devlin Rd, American Canyon. No appointments are necessary for this service. The center is open every Friday & Saturday from 9am to 4pm.

Please pack products carefully so they won't mix or spill. Transport in trunk if possible. The facility accepts all types of hazardous waste except: Radioactives · Explosives · Ammunition - smoke detectors. For highway safety, there is a limit of 15 gallons or 125 pounds of hazardous waste per trip.

Universal Waste (U-Waste)

Universal Wastes are hazardous wastes that contain harmful chemicals that can be released into the environment and can contaminate our air, land and water. As of February 9, 2006, the following material will be banned from disposal in household or business trash.

What is Universal Waste?

Universal waste or “U-waste” are common items that have been traditionally thrown in the trash. They are a type of hazardous waste that can't go into the trash. **They are generally accepted at HHW facilities listed on this page.** Some hardware stores and home improvement stores will accept rechargeable batteries and CFLs for recycling. Nation-wide: www.thermostat-recycle.org www.call2recycle.org

- ◆ All alkaline & rechargeable batteries; lead-acid batteries (auto).
- ◆ Items containing mercury: thermostats, thermometers, switches (e.g. pilot light sensors, clothes irons, blood pressure gauge, novelties such as maze games & talking greeting cards).
- ◆ Fluorescent lamps (CFLs) & tubes, metal halide lamps, sodium vapor lamps.
- ◆ Video display devices: TVs, monitors, laptops. **See E-waste recycling page.**
- ◆ Electronic devices (with a digital component): computers, printers, PDAs, cell phones, telephones, radios, stereos, microwave ovens. **See E-waste recycling page.**



For residents this is a free service. Businesses should call their Hazardous Waste provider listed above.

Medicine and Eye Glasses



Medicine Disposal

In 2002, the U.S. Geological Survey sampled streams in 30 states. Measurable medicine/pharmaceutical waste was found in 80% of these streams. Long-term health effects on marine life and humans are not yet determined, but it is clear that we need to keep pharmaceuticals out of the water.

What are Medicines or Pharmaceuticals?

Pharmaceuticals are prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications, or nutritional supplements used for treatment or prevention of disease in humans or animals.

One of the primary sources of pharmaceuticals in the environment comes from flushing and pouring drugs down a drain. Pharmaceuticals are water-soluble that pass through wastewater treatment facilities and go straight into our local streams.

What should you do with unwanted pharmaceuticals?

Ask your pharmacists if they are taking back pharmaceuticals.

Costco and Kaiser pharmacies sell prepaid envelopes for customers to send unwanted medicines to a disposal facility.

A statewide take-back system is in development. In the meantime, Solano County residents should save medicines for local pharmaceutical drop-off events. For information, log onto recycle.solanocounty.com, www.earth911.com or call your recycling coordinator.

For Vallejo Residents only:

medications can be dropped off at
Vallejo Police Station
111 Amador Street, Vallejo
707 648-5346 Mon-Thur, 9:30am-5pm
Napa-Vallejo HHW Collection Facility
889A Devlin Road, American Canyon
707 258-9018 Fri & Sat, 9am-4pm

Determine if your pharmaceutical waste is a controlled (doctor prescribed) or non-controlled substance (over-the-counter). Log onto the U.S. Dept. of Justice Drug Enforcement Administration's website for lists of controlled substances:

www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/schedules/schedules.htm

Non-controlled substances that are not expired can be sent directly to **World Medical Relief** for use in their prescription program for seniors and overseas medical missions:

World Medical Relief
11745 Rosa Parks Blvd.,
Detroit, MI 58206
www.worldmedicalrelief.org

AS A LAST RESORT, pharmaceuticals can be put in the trash. Please use the following guidelines:

Remove all personal information from all containers.

LIQUIDS

Empty liquid medication onto absorbent paper towels or rags and put in the trash.

PROPELLANT INHALER

Empty container by expelling all propellant. Put the empty cylinder in trash.

PILLS

Crush, break, or dampen pills. Mix with kitty litter or used coffee grounds to make unusable.

Residents can be notified of upcoming Prescription Drug Take Back Events by logging onto recycle.solanocounty.com.



Eyeglasses

www.lionsinsight.org

The Lions' warehouse is located at
1404 Lemon Street, Vallejo
707-648-2306
warehouse@lionsinsight.org

They accept donations at this site and volunteers are always welcome to help sort the glasses. Used glasses are generally accepted at LensCrafters, Pearle Vision, Sears Optical, Target Optical, BJs Optical, Sunglass Hut and by local Lions Clubs.



Sharps and Medical Supplies

Sharps Disposal FAQs



What Do I Do With Hypodermic Needles (Sharps)?

Effective September 1, 2008, Syringes, Hypodermic Needles and Lancets - "SHARPS" - are banned from Landfills. SHARPS cannot be put in the trash.

Please put them in a sealed container such as a heavy-duty plastic or metal container with a tight-fitting lid or an FDA-approved sharps disposal container.

Sharps Disposal Sites:

BENICIA

Free drop off for Benicia Residents.

Benicia Fire Station

150 Military West · 707 746-4275
Mon-Fri 8am-Noon, 1pm-5pm
May have Sharps containers available.

FAIRFIELD

MOBII

Sutter Fairfield Medical Campus

2720 Low Court · 707 434-2039
Mon-Fri 7:30am-5:30pm

Northbay Medical Center Emergency Dept

1200 B. Gale Wilson Blvd · 707 646-5800
OPEN 24/7

Republic Services

Solano Garbage HHW

2901 Industrial Ct · 707 437-8900
2nd and 4th Sat 9am-NOON. By appointment only.

RIO VISTA

Sutter Health Facility

690 Main Street · 707 374-6833
Mon-Fri 8am-5pm. Wed Closed @ 12:15pm
Closed for lunch: 12:45pm to 1:45pm

VACAVILLE

Sutter Regional Medical Foundation's Lab Facility

770 Mason St., 3rd Floor Lab · 707 454-5800
Mon-Fri 7:30am-5:30pm

VACAVILLE, VACAVILLE UNINCORPORATED, DIXON, AND DIXON UNINCORPORATED

Recology Vacaville Solano Recycling Center

855 1/2 Davis St. · 707 448-2945 · Sat. 9am-3pm
Vacaville HHW is open only to Vacaville and Dixon residents.

VALLEJO

Vallejo-Napa Household Hazardous Waste Facility

889A Devlin Rd., American Canyon
800 984-9661
Fri-Sat 9am-4pm

Area Agency on Aging

575 Sacramento Street · 707 643-1798
Mon-Fri 9am-4:30pm

Christian Help Center

2166 Sacramento Street · 707 553-8192
Mon-Sat 10am-6pm

Florence Douglas Senior Center

333 Amador Street · 707 643-1044
Mon-Thu 8am-2pm, Fri 8am-Noon

Recology Vallejo

2021 Broadway Street · 707 552-3110
Thur-Sat 8am-4pm

VALCORE Recycling

38 Sheridan Street · 707 645-8258
Mon-Sat 9am-1pm, 2pm-4:30pm

Mail-Back Service

A list of sharps mail-back services is available from California's Department of Public Health www.cdph.ca.gov Search "Mail-back Sharps" for direct link to the following companies. Their toll free numbers are listed here.

EnviroMed Safety& Compliance · 877 340-2430

XMED Disposal, Inc. · 866 735-9709

GRP & Associates · 800 207-0976

www.sharpsdisposal.com

Sharps Compliance, Inc. · 800 772-5657

www.sharpsinc.com

Stericycle, Inc. · 866 783-7422

www.stericycle.com

WCM Home Sharps Disposal · 877 436-5480

www.homesharpsdisposal.com

Used Medical Supplies

Contact local Senior Centers and Thrift Stores for wheel chairs, walkers and other equipment.

Join a local group of www.freecycle.org. Members offer items they no longer use or request items that they need.

There are groups in Vacaville, Fairfield, and Vallejo/Benicia.

Check out www.craigslist.org for free or low costs items.

Check www.calrecycle.ca.gov for a current list of used Medical suppliers.

Born to Age, the Solano County

Senior Care Directory

707 226-7127 www.borntoage.com

Homecares.org (recares.org) has

locations that accept and distribute used medical supplies: Donations only accepted during open hours. Equipment or supplies left at any other times jeopardize their site leases.

Oakland

510 251-2273
Thursdays 12pm-4pm
2619 Broadway, Oakland, CA 94612
(In the underground parking lot behind the church.)

San Francisco

415 487-5405
Thursdays 10am-1pm
63 Dorland St. (alley), San Francisco, CA 94110

Marin

415 388-8198
Wednesdays 11am-2pm
3100 Kerner Blvd., San Rafael, CA 94901

Sonoma

707 364-0305
Thursdays 11am-3pm
3820 Bodega Ave., Petaluma, CA 94952

Please be aware of the liability of used equipment: choose wisely and check condition before using.

¡Demasiado Tóxico Para Tirarlo a la Basura!



Los Desechos Peligrosos del Hogar (HHW)

HHW son materiales corrosivos, tóxicos, reactivos, o inflamables, los cuales se encuentran en nuestras casas, y es ilegal ponerlos en la basura o depositarlos en las alcantarillas, en los drenajes, o en el suelo.

Si no se manejan con cuidado, estos productos de desecho del consumidor, pueden, y con frecuencia crean riesgos para la salud pública y ambiental.

Los consumidores pueden transportar un máximo de 15 galones o 125 libras por viaje. Este es un servicio gratuito para los residentes. Vea la página 2 para conocer las ubicaciones y horarios a donde llevar los Desechos Peligrosos del Hogar (HHW)

Por favor, empáquelos cuidadosamente para que no se mezclen o se derramen. De ser posible, transpórtelos en la cajuela. El establecimiento acepta todo tipo de residuos peligrosos, excepto: productos radiactivos, explosivos, municiones.

Desechos Electrónicos (E-Waste)

Televisores, computadoras, monitores, equipo de oficina y aparatos electrónicos de consumo. Es prohibido tirar estos artículos en los vertederos/basureros. La lista de los lugares donde se llevan a cabo recolecciones gratuitas de aparatos electrónicos (E-Waste) durante el año se encuentra en la página 11.

Eliminación de Objetos PUNZANTES

Jeringas, Agujas Hipodérmicas y Lancetas - Es prohibido tirar los objetos "PUNZANTES" en los vertederos/basureros. Por favor, póngalos en un recipiente sellado, tales como un contenedor de plástico de alta resistencia o un recipiente de metal con una tapa hermética, o un contenedor de eliminación de objetos punzantes aprobado por la FDA. Llévelos a uno de los sitios listados en la página 4.

Ejemplos de Desechos Peligrosos del Hogar

Hogar:

- ◆ Lustradores y limpiadores
- ◆ Limpiadores de hornos
- ◆ Destapadores de drenaje
- ◆ Líquidos para encender fuego
- ◆ Medicamentos no deseados
- ◆ Jeringas
- ◆ Cosméticos
- ◆ Las lámparas fluorescentes
- ◆ Las pilas/baterías recargables o alcalinas

Jardín o La Yarda:

- ◆ Fungicidas ◆ Insecticidas ◆ Herbicidas
- ◆ Productos químicos para la alberca/piscina

Cochera o Taller:

- ◆ Pinturas a base de aceite o látex
- ◆ Adelgazadores y removedores de pintura
- ◆ Preservantes de madera
- ◆ Solventes de grasa y de óxido/moho
- ◆ Limpiadores de madera y de metal
- ◆ Pegamentos y cementos
- ◆ Químicos fotográficos
- ◆ Anticongelante
- ◆ Líquidos para transmisión
- ◆ La gasolina y aditivos de combustible
- ◆ Limpiadores del carburador
- ◆ Baterías de automóviles
- ◆ Aceite usado y filtros de aceite de motor

Eliminación de Residuos Peligrosos de Negocios

Un negocio que genera menos de 220 libras o 27 galones de residuos peligrosos por mes, es considerado un Generador Condicionalmente Exento de Cantidades Pequeñas (CESQG). Este programa ofrece, a los negocios una manera económica para cumplir con las leyes y regulaciones estatales para la eliminación de los desechos peligrosos. Se requiere hacer una cita, y hay un costo por este servicio. Llame al Centro de Recolección de Desechos Peligrosos de Napa-Vallejo llamando al 800 984-9661 o llamando al Centro de Reciclaje Recology Vacaville Solano 707 448-2945.

Aceite Usado de Motor

¿Sabía usted que el aceite usado de motor nunca se desgasta? El aceite solamente se ensucia y puede ser reciclado, puede limpiarse y se puede volver a utilizar. ¡El reciclaje de aceite usado de motor conserva un recurso natural y también es bueno para el medio ambiente! El aceite de motor que se derrama sobre el suelo, en las alcantarillas, o que se tira en los botes de basura (incluso en un contenedor sellado), puede contaminar el suelo, las aguas subterráneas, los arroyos y los ríos. El reciclaje de su aceite usado de motor reduce esta amenaza de contaminación.

Vea la página 15 donde encontrará una lista de centros de recolección de aceite usado de motor certificados. Estos negocios reciben el aceite usado de motor por parte del público y pagan

.40-centavos por galón. La mayoría de los centros aceptan un máximo de 5 galones a la vez. Por favor llame a los negocios antes de traer el aceite usado para que ellos puedan revisar si hay espacio en sus barriles de aceite reciclado.

Los centros certificados no aceptan el aceite usado de motor que está contaminado con otros líquidos, tales como anticongelantes, disolventes, gasolina o agua. Si el aceite usado se contamina accidentalmente, se debe llevar al centro de recolección de residuos peligrosos de su ciudad, el cual encontrara en la página 2.

Los Residuos de Medicamentos Farmacéuticos no deben ser tirados en el inodoro/taza del baño o ser arrojados a la basura.

Cómo deshacerse de ellos:

1. Llame a su Coordinador de Reciclaje para saber la fecha del próximo evento de recolección de medicamentos.
2. Pida a su farmacéutico/boticario que acepte los medicamentos de regreso.
3. Como un último recurso: Quite toda la información personal de los contenedores, ponga los medicamentos líquidos en toallas de papel, deshágase de los inhaladores, y aplaste/triture o humedezca todas las píldoras, luego envuélvalas con seguridad y colóquelas en la basura.

¿Usted no sabe que reciclar y donde reciclarlo? 1 800 280-6208