



# Household Hazardous Waste Collections

**Household Hazardous Waste** comes from everyday products used in the home, yard or garden. They are corrosive, flammable, toxic or reactive. Common examples are oil-based paints and solvents, oven cleaners, pool chemicals, pesticides, drain openers and auto chemicals. Many products are used up and disposed without considering the potential consequences. Disposal in the trash, down the sink or into a storm drain poses a threat to water quality and may kill fish and wildlife. Household toxins may also injure human and animal health if they are exposed to these chemicals due to careless storage and handling.

**What can you do?** When disposing of chemicals, securely pack and transport materials in their original containers to a household hazardous waste collection event. Sort and pack chemicals separately, being cautious to avoid spills. Containers must be labeled as to their contents.

What to Bring to HHW Collection Events			
Residents may bring a maximum of 10 gallons or 20 pounds of the following:			
Pesticides	Muriatic Acid	Ni-CAD Batteries	Lead / Oil-Based Paints *
Insecticides	Antifreeze	Lithium Batteries	Wood Preservatives
Herbicides	Mixed Gasoline	Oven Cleaners	Varnish / Paint Stripper
Pool Chemicals	Paint Thinners	Photo Chemicals	Coal-Tar Driveway Sealers

Residents of the following communities may participate:

*Amherst*  
*Brookline*  
*Hollis*  
*Hudson*  
*Litchfield*  
*Merrimack*  
*Milford*  
*Mont Vernon*  
*Nashua*  
*Pelham*  
*Windham*

**\* LATEX PAINT/SEALER WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED**

	<p align="center"><b>Nashua Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center</b></p> <p align="center"><b>Nashua Public Works Garage</b>  <b>6 Riverside Street, Nashua.</b></p> <p align="center"><i>Collection hours: 8am to Noon</i>  <i>Except Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 3 - 7pm</i></p>	<p><b>For more information:</b></p> <p>Nashua Regional Planning Commission at 883-0366  or visit  <a href="http://www.nashuarpc.org/hhw">www.nashuarpc.org/hhw</a>  or  City of Nashua Division of Public Works, Solid Waste Department at 589-3410</p>
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## 2004 Collection Dates

May	June	Aug.	Oct.	Nov.
<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>
Saturday	Thursday	Saturday	Saturday	Saturday
8am - Noon	3pm - 7pm	8am - Noon	8am - Noon	8am - Noon



# Alternative Household Products



<p><b>Air Freshener</b></p> <p>Leave an opened box of baking soda in a room.</p>	<p><b>Stain Remover</b></p> <p>Make paste of baking soda and water; apply to dirty spots.</p>	<p><b>Flea and Tick Repellant</b></p> <p>Scatter pine needles, fennel, rue or rosemary on pet's bed.</p>
<p><b>Insect Spray for Plants</b></p> <p>Mix 6 cloves of crushed garlic, 1 minced onion, 1 tablespoon dried hot pepper and 1 tablespoon liquid soap in 1 gallon of hot water. Let sit 1-2 days and spray on plants.</p>	<p><b>Multi-Purpose Cleaner</b></p> <p>Mix 1/2 cup ammonia, 1/3 cup vinegar and 1/4 cup baking soda in 1 gallon of warm water.</p>	<p><b>Ant Control</b></p> <p>Mix 2 tablespoons boric acid, 2 tablespoons sugar and 1 cup water. Soak paper towels with the mixture, place on dishes and set out for ants.</p>
	<p><b>Carpet and Upholstery Cleaner</b></p> <p>Clean stains immediately with club soda. Sprinkle cornstarch on rug and vacuum. Use soap-based, non-aerosol rug shampoo.</p>	

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED AT HHW COLLECTIONS	AND	HOW TO DISPOSE OF THEM
FLARES	→	Ignite and burn.
AMMUNITION	→	Bring to Police Department.
USED OIL AND AUTO BATTERIES	→	Landfill/transfer station and participating auto parts stores.
ALL PROPANE TANKS	→	Landfill/transfer station and participating hardware stores.
ASBESTOS OR CREOSOTE	→	Contact local landfill, professional service or NRPC.
OLD SMOKE DETECTORS	→	Return to manufacturer.
LATEX PAINT OR LATEX DRIVEWAY SEALER	→	Smaller quantities: Add kitty litter to the can and leave open until completely dry. For larger quantities: line a box with large trash bags and alternate paint and kitty litter or shredded newspaper. Let stand until dry. Place dried cans in the bag and seal. Dispose of at landfill or transfer station. <b>DO NOT</b> dispose at curbside.

DISPOSING OF BATTERIES			
	Type of Battery	Description	Disposal Method
Non-Rechargeable	Alkaline, Zinc Carbon or Zinc Chloride	Labeled as "all purpose", "general purpose", "heavy duty" or "super heavy duty".	Trash
	Lithium Batteries	Commonly used in cameras. These are potentially reactive.	HHW Collection
	Button Cells	Small, disc shaped batteries commonly used in hearing aids, medical devices, watches, calculators and cameras.	HHW Collection
	Zinc Air Button Cells	Non-hazardous replacement for the older mercury button cells.	Recycle
Rechargeable	Silver Oxide Button Cells	May be hazardous for silver	Recycle or HHW Collection
	Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cad)	May be built into rechargeable appliances, such as hand tools, or sold as free standing units.	Recycle or HHW Collection
	Sealed Lead Acid	Used in some camcorders and cell phones and contain lead and acids.	HHW Collection
	Nickel Metal Hydride	Used in computers, cell phones, and camcorders.	HHW Collection
	Lithium Ion Packs	Used in some cell phones and notebook computers.	Recycle or HHW Collection

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