A Resident's Guide to **Difficult-to-Manage Waste**



2014 **COLLECTION SCHEDULE**

Towns of Brewster, Chatham, and Harwich



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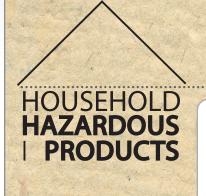
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Questions?

Contact the Barnstable County Hazardous Materials Program (508)375-6699 / (800)319-2783





Towns of Brewster, Chatham, and Harwich These collections are open to all residents & homeowners in these three towns.

Local businesses must call to participate at cost: 508-375-6699

Dates: May 10, June 14, July 12, August 9, Sept 13, Oct 11

Time: 9:00 am to Noon

Location: Harwich Transfer Station, 209 Queen Anne Rd., Harwich

What You Should Know



Many products in our homes are considered hazardous to use, store, and/or dispose. They pose harmful or toxic risks to humans, animals, and the environment. The level of risk and toxicity varies from product to product. Some products are inherently toxic, while other products contain toxic ingredients. Likewise, some toxins are hazardous in very small amounts and others pose risks by building up in our bodies or the environment. In homes, subtle build up of toxic materials can accumulate in things like indoor air, house dust, and food.

On Cape Cod, toxic materials that seep into our groundwater are of special concern. All drinking water on the Cape, whether supplied by municipal or private well, is fed by groundwater from Cape Cod's Sole Source Aquifer. As the name suggests, the Sole Source Aquifer is the source of drinking water in the region and, therefore, should be protected from contamination.

Beyond general risks to humans and the environment, improperly disposed hazardous productsposeextraordinaryriskstosanitation workers through exposure to toxic fumes and the risk of explosion or fire.

IDENTIFY AND HANDLE HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS **RESPONSIBLY**

- Know what is considered hazardous.
- Read the label. If it says Danger, Poison, Warning, Caution, or Flammable the product is likely to pose a hazardous risk that requires proper use, storage, or disposal.
- Follow the directions on the label.
- Seek non-hazardous alternatives.
- Dispose of hazardous products responsibly.

Guide to Difficult-to-Manage Waste



All Cape Cod towns are equipped to handle the regular disposal of many household hazardous products. The following lists will guide you in the every-day disposal of these items. Hazardous products not listed below can be disposed of at scheduled Household Hazardous Products Collections in your town. See the HHP Check List for items.

RECYCLE at Your **Local Transfer Station**

- All Non-Hazardous Recyclables*
- Antifreeze
- Batteries: Auto & Rechargeable
- Cans, empty
- Computers
- **Computer Monitors**
- Dry Paint Cans
- Fire Extinguishers, empty
- Light Bulbs: Fluorescent & CFLs
- Oil & Oil Filters, used
- Propane Tanks
- Televisions

USE UP, GIVE AWAY, or DRY OUT Before Disposing or Recycling

- Abrasive Cleaners
- Air Fresheners
- Ammonia
- Borax / Boric Acid
- · Car Washes & Finishes · Lime
- Chlorine Bleach
- Compounds
- Cosmetics

- Detergents
- Nail Polish
- · Latex Glues
- Latex Caulks
- Personal Care **Products**
- Plant Food
- st (Consult your local recycling guide for details, or big box store for recycling programs)

DISPOSE OF as Noted

Alkaline Batteries — Throw Away

Acrylic Paint, Latex Paint, Water-Based Stains & Wood Finishes — Pour Over Cat Litter, or Other Soluble Material to Absorb Liquid and Throw Away

Ammunition, Firearms, Fireworks, Explosives — Contact Your Local Police Department Medical Sharps / Syringes — Take to Your Local Transfer Station or Fire Department

Unwanted Medications — Take to Your Local Police Station, or Crush and Mix with Coffee Grounds and Throw Away. Do Not Flush.

Safety Flares — Contact Your Local Fire Department





What you can bring to a HHP Collection

AUTO FLUIDS

- **Brake & Power Steering Fluid**
- **Bug & Tar Remover**
- Camp Fuel
- Car Polish
- Car Cleaner with Solvent
- Gasoline
 - Radiator Flush

CLEANERS & CHEMICALS

- Acids
- Degreasers
- Disinfectants
- Drain Cleaner
- Oven Cleaner
- Photo & Hobby Chemicals
 - Pool Cleaners & Chemicals
- Solvents
- Spot Remover

MERCURY PRODUCTS

- **Blood Pressure Gauges**
- Mercury in Bottles
- **Switches**
- **Thermometers**
 - **Thermostats**

PAINTS, POLISHES & STAINS

- NO LATEX PAINT
- Alkyd-Based Paint & Stain
- **Auto Paint**
- Marine Paints & Sealers
- Metal & Furniture Polish
- Oil-Based Paint & Stain
- Paint Thinner & Remover
 - Solvent-Based Wood Finish
 - **Wood Preservatives**

YARD CHEMICALS

- Driveway Sealer w/ Solvent
- Fertilizers w/ Weed Killer
 - Insecticides
 - **Pesticides**
 - **Rodent Poison**
 - Weed Killer