

## STEP 1

### Determine if the product is household hazardous waste

#### Items accepted include:

- all cleaning products
- all insecticides
- pool chemicals
- all fuels
- auto care products
- chemistry sets
- photographic chemicals
- oil-based paint (a flammable material)
- 1 lb. propane cylinders ONLY
- compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs) and other mercury containing items
- non-rechargeable household dry chemical fire extinguishers
- rechargeable batteries
- latex paint\*

**\*Latex paint is not a household hazardous waste item. If the can has paint, please add clay based kitty litter or speedy dry to the can and dispose of the dried paint in your trash can. Please recycle empty paint cans.**

#### Items NOT accepted:

- explosives
- radioactive materials
- asbestos
- medications (see back)
- pentachlorophenol
- smoke detectors (return to manufacturer)
- gas cylinders / propane tanks
- commercial or industrial hazardous waste
- rechargeable fire extinguishers
- isocyanate tanks
- unidentifiable materials
- ammunition
- dioxin
- PCBs
- cooking oil
- 2, 4, 5, Silvex

**For disposal information on these items, please visit our website. When in doubt treat the product as household hazardous waste.**

## STEP 2

### Safely package and transport household hazardous waste

- Keep all products in original containers and wrap leaking containers in newspaper. Place CFLs and other mercury containing items in a sealed plastic bag to prevent breakage. Large fluorescent bulbs should be placed in original box or taped together.
- Place items securely in a container for transport that you do not need back.
- Keep chemicals that could react with one another separated, and do not leave them in hot, unventilated areas for long periods.

**PLEASE NOTE: Maximum quantity per household is 20 gallons and/or 200 lbs. dry weight. Individual item container sizes cannot exceed five gallons, and individual item containers will not be returned. NO EXCEPTIONS.**



## STEP 3

### Bring items to ACUA Drop Off

Hazardous waste is only accepted at our facility during drop offs on these 2019 dates:

**January 12 • March 2 • May 4 • July 13  
September 14 • November 2**

**Items will be accepted on these dates at ACUA's Environmental Park on 6700 Delilah Road in Egg Harbor Twp. from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

Proof of Atlantic County residency is required. Please bring a driver's license, tax bill, or other document with you. You may bring another Atlantic County household's waste with you.

### Atlantic County Utilities Authority Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Participant Information

Thank you for participating in today's event! The following questionnaire must be filled out before disposing of your household hazardous waste. Atlantic County residents only! No businesses or institutions.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

How many households do you represent today? \_\_\_\_\_ Additional comments: \_\_\_\_\_

## The Importance of Proper Disposal

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Improper disposal of hazardous materials pollutes the environment and poses a threat to human life and wildlife. Household hazardous waste must never be poured down the drain or placed in the trash!

The Atlantic County Utilities Authority holds drop offs throughout the year to provide residents an opportunity to safely dispose of unwanted household chemicals.

Please read the guidelines on this brochure or at [www.acua.com/hhw](http://www.acua.com/hhw) to ensure you are safely disposing of materials from your home.

ACUA recommends that residents use the “buddy system” among neighbors, friends and family. Why not ask a neighbor, who is already attending, to bring your materials and next time, you can return the favor? This helps you and makes the drop off process even faster!

**Please note, ACUA drop off events are for Atlantic County residents ONLY. No businesses, commercial entities or institutions!**

## Medicine Disposal

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**Medication is not considered household hazardous waste** but it must be disposed of properly. Do NOT dispose of medication down the drain or toilet. Bring your medicine to a local take-back initiative, a participating police station or follow these steps:


- Keep medicine in the original container.
- Mark out any personal information on prescription bottles.
- Mix liquid medicine with undesirable substances like coffee grinds, cat litter or dirt.
- Dilute pills with water then mix with coffee grinds, cat litter or dirt.
- Place bottles in an opaque container or wrap in dark colored plastic.
- Hide the container in the trash. Do NOT recycle.

To see local and safe permanent drop-off locations where medicines can be taken year-round, visit [www.acua.com/medicine](http://www.acua.com/medicine).

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# How Do I Dispose of Household Hazardous Waste?

A guide to proper disposal in Atlantic County

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