

It's time to clean house.

Forget vacuuming behind the couch. This might be the most important house cleaning you'll ever do. There's dangerous material in your home right now and the MDC provides a safe, convenient, and environmentally responsible way for you to dispose of your household hazardous waste!



Is there hazardous waste in my home?

You bet. Right now there are potentially dangerous materials lurking throughout your home. Even everyday products, like solvents and cleaners, can pose serious health risks if swallowed, inhaled or mishandled. Just think how often the containers for these products leak or are spilled!

What can I do with my hazardous waste?

Bring your hazardous waste to a MDC sponsored collection day and we'll dispose of it in a safe and environmentally responsible manner. You'll free up some room in the storage closet, but most importantly, you'll be protecting the health of your kids, your spouse, your pets, and the environment.

This service is only available in the Spring and Fall.

This is a perfect opportunity to get rid of household paints and chemicals you no longer use. If you are thinking of moving any time this year, use one of these collections to clean out your basement and garage. Don't wait until you're ready to move, a collection may not be available.

What Can I Bring?

Many common materials found throughout your home are classified as hazardous. If you don't intend to use them, bring them to us. Don't wait, get rid of these chemicals while you have the chance.

Garage and Workshop

Alkaline and lithium batteries
Antifreeze
Brake and Transmission fluid
CFLs & Fluorescent bulbs
Gasoline and Diesel
Kerosene and No. 2 Fuel oil
Mercury thermostats
Oil based paints
Paint strippers/Thinners
Rechargeable batteries
Road flares
Turpentine

Kitchen and Sink

Aerosol cans
Ammonia
Ant sprays and Flea repellants
Disinfectants
Floor care products
Mercury thermometers
Oven and drain cleaners
Wood and metal polishes

Yard and Hobby

Adhesives, Epoxy products and Glues
Artists' paints
Charcoal lighter fluid
Cleaning solvents
Fungicides, Herbicides and Insecticides
Mercury and Mercury switches
Moth balls
Pesticides
Photographic chemicals
Pool chemicals
Wood preservatives

If you're not sure about an item, please call us at 860-278-3809.

What can't I bring?

Sorry, the MDC cannot collect the following materials, but that doesn't mean you should keep them around the house. If you're not sure about an item, call us at [860-278-3809](tel:860-278-3809). If we don't take it, we'll try to help you dispose of it elsewhere.

- Ammunition
- Business waste*
- Car batteries
- Cement
- Creosote coated railroad ties
- Electronics
- Empty containers of any kind
- Explosives
- Freon
- Ice melt
- Latex paint
- Marine flares
- Medical waste including needles and syringes
- Medicines
- Smoke detectors
- Tires
- Used oil & oil filters

*The MDC accepts small business (CESQG) waste at its collection **BY APPOINTMENT ONLY**. Companies must call the HazWaste Hotline to see if they qualify and to request a small business information package. Business waste can only be accepted if all program requirements are met. No exceptions!

For more information, go to www.themdc.com and click on the link to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule or call the phone number shown above.

Who can participate?

Count yourself lucky! If you live in one of the following towns, you can take part in ANY MDC sponsored collection day: Ansonia, Avon, Bloomfield, Canton, Cromwell, Derby, Durham, East Granby, East Hampton, East Hartford, Ellington, Enfield, Farmington, Granby, Hartford, Middlefield, Middletown, Newington, Portland, Rocky Hill, Seymour, Simsbury, South Windsor*, West Hartford, Wethersfield, Windsor, Windsor Locks.

*Residents of this town can participate in the spring collections (thru June 27) however if this program is not included in the town budget in June, residents of this town cannot participate in the fall collections (Aug. 15-Oct. 31).

How does the collection work?

It couldn't be easier. Collect your household waste in their original containers, place them in **disposable** boxes or bins and bring them to the collection site on the specified date and we'll handle the rest. Oh, and please remember:

- Do not mix different products together.
- **STAY IN YOUR CAR WHILE THE CHEMICALS ARE REMOVED!**
- **NO SMOKING IN YOUR CAR.** Most wastes are flammable
- Be prepared to wait between 5 and 30 minutes.
- If possible, leave children and pets at home. Do not put your Household HazWaste in the backseat with your children or pets.

How can I help?

Want to volunteer to help out on a collection day? We sure could use you. Just call the HazWaste Hotline (860-278-3809) to find out how.