

## What is Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

Household hazardous wastes are products that can be an environmental or health hazard when stored or disposed of improperly. A product or substance is hazardous when it has one or more of the following properties:

### **Corrosive/Caustic**

Example: Drain Cleaner

### **Reactive**

Example: Ether

### **Flammable**

Example: Gasoline

### **Toxic/Poisonous**

Example: Pesticides

Read all product labels to identify potentially harmful substances. Check for signal words such as **Caution**, **Warning**, or **Danger**. These words may indicate a product is a household hazardous waste. Follow label directions for proper disposal.



**Avoid buying aerosols.**

The Morrison County Household Hazardous Waste Facility will accept HHW items at no charge from county residents.

**320-632-1944**

### Products accepted by the HHW Facility

Contents of all containers must be identifiable. Unknown products will not be accepted.

This list is not intended to be complete. If you have a question about a product, call:  
**320-632-1944**

### **Waste is accepted from households only!**

#### Household Products

Paints - Latex/Oil Based • Window Cleaner  
Oven Cleaners • Floor Care Products  
Metal Polish with Solvent • Roofing Tar  
Furniture Polish • Paint Thinner  
Degreasers • Wood Preservatives  
Aluminum Cleaners • Insect Spray  
Ammonia Base Cleaners • Aerosol Cans  
Solvent • Drain Cleaners

#### Garage

Adhesives • Antifreeze  
Battery Acid • Caulking Compounds  
Car Waxes • Diesel Fuel  
Fuel Oil • Gasoline  
Glues • Kerosene

#### Miscellaneous

Lawn/Garden Products • Moth Balls  
Rat Poison • Weed Killer  
Swimming Pool Acids • Photographic Chemicals  
Concrete Cleaner • Cosmetics  
Fertilizer \* Dry Cleaning Solvent  
Fiberglass Epoxy • Lighter Fluid

#### Not Acceptable

Unknown Products or Unidentifiable Products  
Explosives • Radioactive Materials  
Household Garbage

***Business, Commercial, and Farm Waste will not be accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste Facility.***

Call 320-632-1944 for more information.

### Before you buy, ask yourself:

Do I really need this product?  
Are there any signal words on the label?  
Is there a safer alternative?  
Am I buying more than I need?  
Can I safely store this product in my home?  
What is the best way to dispose of this item?  
Can I buy it in a non-aerosol container?

### Be a Smart Consumer

Read and follow label precautions. Store household chemicals away from children and pets in a cool, dry place. Stored correctly, most chemicals will stay usable for years and won't become wastes.

#### Do

- Try to give leftovers to neighbors, businesses or organizations who will use them for their intended purposes.
- Purchase only the amount of product needed for the job at hand.
- Dispose of chemicals in original container whenever possible.
- Replace chemical cleaners with "elbow grease."
- Use non-hazardous alternatives whenever possible
- Do not dispose of chemicals, banned pesticides, batteries or motor oil in the trash.
- Do not burn containers of leftover chemicals.
- Do not use storm sewers for chemical waste disposal.
- Do not mix chemical wastes together.
- Do not bury containers of leftover chemicals.

## Non Hazardous Alternatives

### Chrome Polish

Apply a paste of baking soda & water with a sponge or soft cloth; after a few minutes, rinse clean and dry.

### Surface Cleaners

In a squirt bottle...

Mix: 1 quart hot water, 1tsp vegetable oil-based soap/detergent, 1 tsp borax, & 2 tbsp. Vinegar.

-or-

Mix: 1/2 cup vinegar in 1 quart of warm water.

-or-

Dissolve baking soda in hot water for a general cleaner.

### Drain Opener

Put a handful of baking soda down the drain and follow with 1/2 cup of vinegar. Cover drain for 15 minutes. Rinse with 2 quarts boiling water and follow with a plunger.

### Glass Cleaner

Mix 1/4 cup white vinegar with 1 quart of water. Pour into spray bottle. Professionals use a squeeze of dishwashing liquid in one gallon of water. A quality squeegee is the pro's secret to streakless windows.

### Toilet bowl Cleaner

Mix 1/2 cup borax and 1 gallon of water to clean and deodorize. To remove stains, coat them with a paste of lemon juice and borax. Let sit about 20 minutes and scrub with bowl brush.

### Furniture Polish

Polish varnished wood with a mild vegetable oil soap.

## Important Phone Numbers

### Morrison County HHW Hotline

320-632-1944

### Morrison County Solid Waste Office

320-632-0121

### Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

1-800-657-3864

### Poison Control

1-800-222-1222



## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY**

### **Located at the Landfill**

County Road 35 (Iris Road)

Little Falls, MN 56345

HHW Hotline 320-632-1944

### **Hours of Operation**

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Mid-April through the end of September

Monday-Friday

8:00a.m.-4:30p.m.

Saturday

8:00a.m.-12:00pm