



# POLLUTION PREVENTION TIPS

## RESOURCES

1. The Town's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events are a safe way to dispose of hazardous waste. Visit [fairfaxrecycles.com](http://fairfaxrecycles.com) for information, dates and times.
2. Contact Casella's Hazardous Waste Outreach Coordinator for a free consultation on identifying and reducing hazardous waste in your school.
3. Vermont DEC Environmental Assistance Office offers free assistance with chemical inventory, storage, disposal, lab safety and Chemical Hygiene Plan. Contact them at **800-974-9559** or [dec.vermont.gov/environmental-assistance](http://dec.vermont.gov/environmental-assistance).
4. Facilities & Maintenance Directors Association (FDMA) a services buying group for school facilities. Contact Marty Spaulding at **802-864-8435** or [mbspaulding@bsdvt.org](mailto:mbspaulding@bsdvt.org).
5. Vermont Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program (EPP) provides information on purchasing products that are less harmful to the environment and safe for human health. Visit [bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing/epp](http://bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing/epp).
6. Vermont Hazardous Waste Regulations—Regulations for managing hazardous.

- Schools should try to avoid purchasing hazardous materials and purchase products that are environmentally friendly. By purchasing products that are non-hazardous, less hazardous waste will be generated.
- Many schools in Vermont purchase their products through the Facilities and Maintenance Directors Association. The Association only allows the purchase of environmentally friendly products.
- Order only what you will use within a school year. This will reduce waste and save on cost!
- Replace mercury containing devices with updated versions that do not contain mercury.



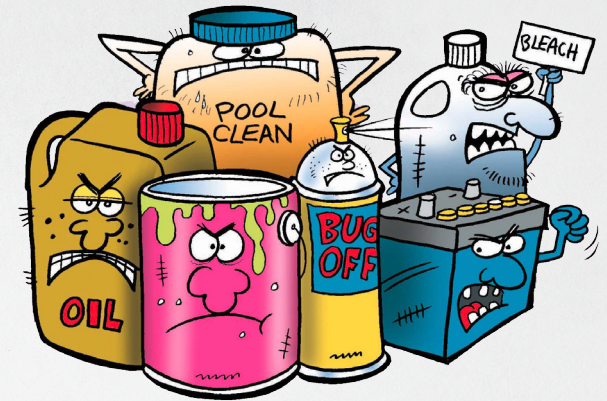
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# TOWN OF FAIRFAX

## SCHOOL GUIDE FOR MANAGING HAZARDOUS WASTE



Your reference guide for storing and handling hazardous materials.

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# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS

To ensure proper disposal, bring hazardous waste to one of our collection events. Visit [fairfaxrecycles.com](http://fairfaxrecycles.com) for information on upcoming events.

Events are held at the Fairfax town garage. These events are open to residents of the Town of Fairfax.

### MATERIALS ACCEPTED:

Acids, Adhesives, Aerosols, Antifreeze, Brake Fluid, Cements, Charcoal Lighters, Chlorine, Cleaning Fluid, Degreasers, Disinfectants, Drain Cleaners, Dry Gas, Epoxies, Dyes, Fiberglass Resins, Flea Powders, Furniture Strippers, Hair Removers, Herbicides, Insect Repellents, Lacquers, Lubricants, Mothballs or Flakes, Nail Polish Removers, Oven Cleaners, Latex Paints, Oil Based Paints, Paint Removers, Paint Thinners, Permanent Solutions, Pesticides, Photo Chemicals, Rat Poison, Rug & Upholstery Cleaners, Rust Solvents, Wood Preservatives, Spot Removers, Toilet Bowl Cleaners, Tub and Tile Cleaners, Turpentine, Varnish, Weed Killers, Wood Polishes, Wood Stains, Fluorescent Light Tubes/Lighting, Mercury Containing Products, Roofing Tar & Driveway Sealer, Rechargeable Lights, Electronic Waste, Used Oil

### MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED:

Asbestos, Automotive & Marine Batteries, Ties, Explosives or Shock-Sensitive Materials, Ammunition, Radio-Active Wastes, Pathological Wastes, Infectious Waste, Medicines, Dioxins, Compressed Gas Cylinders, Asphalt



## WHAT ARE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS?

Hazardous materials are products that are toxic, ignitable, reactive or corrosive.



## WHAT IS HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Hazardous waste is any unwanted or leftover product from a hazardous material. Hazardous waste cannot be disposed of on the trash or poured down the drain—it requires special handling!

## STORAGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS & WASTE

- Store hazardous materials in a flammable proof cabinet
- Organize materials by chemical compatibility
- Label all waste containers with the contents
- Restrict access to unauthorized personnel
- Secure any compressed gas tanks with chains
- Ensure proper fire suppression is in place
- Place spill kits and eye wash stations in the area
- Ensure people are trained to handle and manage hazardous materials and hazardous waste

## COMMON EXAMPLES OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FOUND IN SCHOOLS



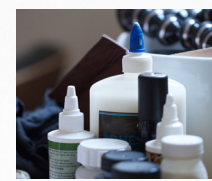
**Cleaning Supplies**  
(bleach, ammonia, drain openers, and tile cleaners)



**Old Thermostats**  
(containing mercury)



**Laboratory Chemicals**  
(formaldehyde)



**Art Supplies**  
(photographic chemicals, paints, glues and adhesives)

