



## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

### List of most common HHW products:

Drain openers  
Oven cleaners  
Wood and metal cleaners and polishes  
Automotive oil and fuel additives  
Grease and rust solvents  
Carburetor and fuel injection cleaners  
Starter fluids  
Batteries  
Paint Thinners  
Paint strippers and removers  
Adhesives  
Herbicides  
Pesticides  
Fungicides/wood preservatives

Household hazardous wastes (HHW) are defined as waste materials which are typically found in homes or similar sources, which exhibit characteristics such as: corrosivity, ignitability, reactivity, and/or toxicity, or are listed as hazardous materials by EPA.

Many types of waste can be recycled, recycling options for each waste type are limited. Recycling is always preferable to disposal of unwanted materials. All gasoline, antifreeze, waste oil, and lead-acid batteries can be recycled. Latex and oil-based paint can be reused, as well as recycled. Materials that cannot be reused or recycled should either be incinerated or disposed of at a

properly permitted landfill.

Think before leaving anything in the storm drain. The ocean starts at your front door.

### Designated BMPs

- Participate in the HHW collection program (municipalities are required to have a HHW element within their integrated waste management plan). Call (714) 834-6752 for the household hazardous waste center closest to your area.
- Never dispose of HHW in the storm drain or in areas that may drain to the storm drain.
- Use non-hazardous or less-hazardous products.
- Household hazardous materials must be stored indoors or under cover, and in closed and labeled containers.
- Educate public about hazardous materials in the home and commercial businesses and consequences of improper use and/or disposal
- Emergencies related to HHW should be reported to 911.

**Reduce** by purchasing only the amount needed.

**Reuse** products when possible.

1.1 RECYCLE LEFTOVER HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS THAT ARE RECYCLABLE, AND



RECYCLE  
USED OIL

## Optional BMPs

- Participate in HHW reuse and recycling. Some HHW collection centers offer a swap. Call (714) 834-6752 for the participating household hazardous waste centers.

→ *The California Integrated Waste Management Board has a Recycling Hotline, (800) 553-2962, that provides information and recycling locations*