



## DO NOT BRING THESE ITEMS TO COLLECTION

### Recycle at your town recycling center:

- used oil, oil filters and antifreeze
- auto and rechargeable batteries
- fluorescent bulbs
- televisions, computers and monitors\*
- empty fire extinguishers and propane tanks
- empty cans, no matter what was in them
- dry paint cans

### Dispose of these items as noted:

- Alkaline batteries—throw away.
- Latex and acrylic paints, water-based stains and wood finishes are **not** hazardous. Pour into a box of cat litter to absorb liquid. Put box in household trash.
- Syringes—bring to Bourne or Sandwich Fire Department or Mashpee DPW for disposal.
- Ammunition, firearms, fireworks and explosives—call your Police Department for collection information.
- Marine and road flares—bring to the your Fire Department for disposal.

### Use up, give away or dry out:

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| abrasive cleaners     | glass cleaners          |
| air fresheners        | glazing compound        |
| ammonia               | household cleaners      |
| borax & boric acid    | joint compound          |
| car washes & finishes | latex glues & caulks    |
| chlorine bleach       | cosmetics & nail polish |
| dish detergent        | personal care products  |
| laundry detergent     | lime & plant food       |
| driveway sealer,      | fertilizers without     |
| latex & hardened      | pesticides              |

### Questions

- Bourne ISWM 508-759-0651
- Falmouth Health Dept 508-495-7485
- Mashpee DPW 508-539-1420
- Sandwich DPW 508-833-8003
- Barnstable County Hazardous Materials Program 508-375-6699 or 800-319-2783  
[www.capecodextension.org](http://www.capecodextension.org)

**2008 Collection Schedule for hazardous household products.**  
\*SANDWICH RESIDENTS BRING TELEVISIONS, COMPUTERS AND MONITORS TO HHP COLLECTIONS



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# HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS IN MY HOME???

## 2008 FREE Hazardous Products Collections for Bourne, Falmouth, Mashpee, Sandwich and CG Air Station Cape Cod residents and taxpayers

### 4 Saturdays 9am to 1pm

### April 19 Sandwich

### June 21 at Falmouth

### August 16 at Mashpee

### October 18 at Bourne

### At Town High Schools

### Businesses: call to arrange to participate at cost 508-375-6699

The Upper Cape Household Hazardous Products Collections are a cooperative effort of the Towns of Bourne, Falmouth, Mashpee, Sandwich and CG Air Station Cape Cod, funded in part by Barnstable County.

## HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS

### IN MY HOME???

Many common products contain hazardous ingredients. Paints, solvents, drain openers, pool chemicals, used motor oil and pesticides are a few of the products that may be hazardous to your health or to our environment.

#### Why should I be concerned?

Thousands of adults will visit a poison control center or emergency room this year with burns, poisonings or eyesight damaged by household products. Almost one million children under the age of six will be poisoned or injured in the home by household products, as will thousands of pets.

#### How can I identify the products that contain hazardous ingredients?

Read the label. If the label says **DANGER**, **POISON**, **WARNING** or **CAUTION**, the product may be hazardous to your health or may pollute our ground and surface water.

#### Should I throw these products in the trash?

No. Some household products release toxic fumes or explode if they are mixed together in the trash, causing fires or injuring workers. Dumping them in sewers or landfills may also contaminate our water supply or kill fish and other wildlife.

## What should I do . . .

## Conduct a

# Household Hazardous Products Audit

Identify and get rid of hazardous products. This audit is quick and easy to do.

### FIRST

Look for products you find on the list below. If you find any that are on the list, they contain hazardous ingredients. Place a red dot on the lids to identify them.

#### Start in the kitchen:

Metal or furniture polish  
Oven cleaner  
Spot remover

#### Check bathrooms:

Blood pressure gauges  
Disinfectant  
Drain opener  
Mercury thermometers

#### Try the basement:

Camp fuel  
Hobby and photo chemicals  
Mercury switches or thermostats  
Oil and alkyd paint and stain  
Paint thinner and remover  
Solvent-based wood finish

#### Garage or shed:

Acid  
Auto paint  
Brake and power steering fluid  
Bug and tar remover  
Car polish and cleaner with solvent  
Driveway sealer with solvent  
Fertilizer with weed killer  
Gasoline  
Insecticides  
Marine paints and sealers  
Mercury in bottles  
Old pesticides  
Pool cleaners and chemicals  
Radiator flush  
Rodent poison  
Solvents or degreasers  
Weed killer  
Wood preservatives

### SECOND

Set aside products you no longer need. Give them to friends or neighbors who will use them up.

### THIRD

Place the remaining products in a sturdy box or plastic bin, and bring them to hazardous products collection.

### Mercury Collection

Any mercury-containing devices accepted. Free digital thermometers and thermostats in exchange for mercury thermometers and thermostats, compliments of Covanta SEMASS.

