

# Household Hazardous Waste Program

Free and safe disposal of your unwanted household chemicals or hazardous materials



# WHAT IS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) includes unwanted household products that contain chemicals or substances that can be harmful to you, your family, your pets, or the environment.

## HOW CAN HHW BE HARMFUL?

Hazardous waste can be dangerous at every stage of its 'life'; this is because these materials could:

- Cause poisoning or severe burns if swallowed, inhaled or contacts skin
- React with other chemicals or heat and cause fire or toxic fumes
- Leak on the ground and contaminate the soil or groundwater
- Injure waste collectors if HHW is placed in household bins or out for verge collections
- Pollute the environment if it ends up in a landfill

# THE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) PROGRAM


The HHW Program provides 13 facilities in WA for the public to safely drop off their hazardous materials for free. See the back of this brochure for the list of HHW collection locations.

## HOW DO YOU IDENTIFY HHW?

Hazardous materials can be identified by labels on their packaging with key words such as:

 **DANGER**

 **CAUTION**

 **WARNING**

**POISON**

Or by their hazard symbols such as:



**Flammable**



**Toxic**



**Oxidiser**



**Miscellaneous  
Dangerous Goods**



**Corrosive**

# WHAT CAN BE DISPOSED OF THROUGH THE HHW PROGRAM?

## ACCEPTED MATERIALS THROUGH THE HHW PROGRAM:

- Acids and Alkalis
- Aerosols
- Batteries (household)
- Engine Coolants & Glycols
- Fire Extinguishers - Non halon (red) only
- Flammables
- Flares
- Fluorescent Lamps and Tubes (CLFs)
- Gas Cylinders (small household)
- Household Chemicals (e.g. cleaners)
- Paint
- Pesticides/Herbicides
- Poisons/Toxics
- Pool Chemicals
- Smoke Detectors
- Unknown Chemicals accepted at most facilities (except Albany) and must be in sealed, chemical resistant containers.

**The Program can only accept domestic quantities of materials (no larger than 20kg/20L per material type).**

## THE FOLLOWING MATERIALS ARE NOT ACCEPTED THROUGH THE PROGRAM:

- Asbestos
- Commercial & Industrial Waste
- Electronic Waste
- EPIRBs & PLBs
- Explosives, Ammunition & Firearms
- Fire extinguishers - Halon (yellow)
- Medications & Pharmaceuticals
- Mobile Phones
- Motor oil & Cooking oil
- Printer Cartridges/Toners
- Sharps & Needles
- Tyres

The HHW Program does NOT accept waste from commercial businesses (including small businesses) or industrial sites.

To see disposal options for these materials please speak with your local waste facility or visit: [www.wastenet.net.au](http://www.wastenet.net.au)

# SAFE STORAGE AND TRANSPORTING OF HHW

- NEVER mix chemicals together
- Always keep hazardous materials out of reach of children and pets
- Handle hazardous materials with care and avoid direct contact
- Always wash hands after handling (even if you wore gloves)
- Keep HHW dry and away from heat or flames and not in a hot car too long (as may cause dangerous fumes or chemical reactions)
- Keep products in original containers where possible
- Store containers upright with lids tightly closed and ensure containers are not leaking
- If container is damaged or leaking, place it in a larger container with a tight fitting lid and label the outer container with the contents
- If you must replace the damaged original container, always label the new container with the contents
- When transporting hazardous materials, ensure they are stored securely in a box or crate so they will not fall over and leak
- Transport HHW in the boot or rear of your vehicle, separate from the main cabin, where possible.

# DISPOSING OF HHW

HHW should NOT be disposed of in any home bin or bulk verge collection.

HHW can be taken to any one of the thirteen Permanent facilities in the Metropolitan and Non-Metropolitan areas:

## **METROPOLITAN FACILITIES**

### **City of Armadale**

Armadale Landfill and Recycling Facility  
Hopkinson Road, Brookdale  
9399 3935

### **City of Canning**

City of Canning Transfer Station  
Lot 502 Ranford Road, Canning Vale  
1300 422 664

### **City of Cockburn**

Henderson Waste Recovery Park  
Rockingham Road, Henderson  
9411 3444

### **Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council**

Red Hill Waste Management Facility  
1094 Toodyay Road, Red Hill  
9574 6235

### **Mindarie Regional Council**

Tamala Park Waste Management Facility  
1700 Marmion Avenue, Tamala Park  
9306 6303

### **City of Rockingham**

Millar Road Landfill Facility  
Millar Road West, Baldivis  
9528 8550

### **City of Stirling**

Recycling Centre Balcatta  
238 Balcatta Road, Balcatta  
9205 8555

### **Western Metropolitan Regional Council**

JFR (Jim) McGeough Resource Recovery Facility  
Cnr Brockway Road and Lemnos Street, Shenton Park  
9384 2544

## **NON METROPOLITAN FACILITIES**

### **City of Albany**

Hanrahan Road Waste Minimisation Facility  
Hanrahan Road, Albany  
9842 3415

### **Bunbury Harvey Regional Council**

Stanley Road Waste Management Facility  
Stanley Road, Australind  
9797 2404

### **City of Greater Geraldton**

Meru Waste Disposal Facility  
Landfill Lane off Goulds Road, Narngulu  
9923 3188

### **City of Mandurah**

Waste Management Centre  
80 Corsican Place, Parklands  
9550 4700

### **Shire of Toodyay**

Railway Road Transfer Station  
Railway Road, Toodyay  
9574 2661

For more information on the Household Hazardous Waste Program visit the WasteNet website:

[www.wastenet.net.au](http://www.wastenet.net.au)

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