# WHAT IS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Household Hazardous Waste is any household product which is labeled:

CAUTION DANGER
FLAMMABLE EXPLOSIVE
TOXIC WARNING
CORROSIVE EXPLOSIVE
POISON VOLATILE

or a combination of these characteristics. Look for warning or skull and crossbones on label. Use this list to identify and collect hazardous products which are no longer usable or wanted. Select a product suited for the job at hand but buy only what you can use entirely.

## WHY COLLECT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

These collection days are intended to provide **Berks County** residents with a responsible way to dispose of old, unusable and unwanted hazardous products. Putting them in the trash or down the drain contributes to the pollution of our air and drinking waters.

# HOW TO BRING MATERIALS TO OUR COLLECTION SITE?

- Do not mix the materials
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger containers
- Bring all materials in original containers with labels, if possible.
- If not in original labeled container, please label container used

### **ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS**



## **OIL PAINTS**

- Turpentine
- Wood Preservatives
- Paint Thinners & Solvents
- Oil Based Paints, Varnishes and Stains

(ABSOLUTELY NO LATEX PAINT WILL BE ACCEPTED)



### **OUTDOORS**

- Weed Killers
- Pesticides
- Asphalt & Driveway Sealants
  - Pool Chemicals
- Herbicides & Fungicides



## **AUTOMOTIVE**

- Antifreeze
- Gasoline
- Transmission Oil
- Motor Oil
- Automotive paints and finishes



### **HOUSEHOLD**

- Solvents
- Disinfectants
- Rug, Oven & Drain Cleaners
- Button Batteries
- Photographic Chemicals
- Floor & Furniture Polish
- Lithium & NiCad Batteries
- Fluorescent bulbs

### DO NOT BRING

- Latex Paint will not be accepted \*
  - Joint & Caulking Compound
  - Organic Peroxides
  - Gas Cylinders
  - Explosives & Ammunition
  - Radioactive Waste
  - Infectious or Medical Waste
  - Water based sealants
  - \* Allow materials to dry and discard with regular trash.

Empty containers should be placed out with your regular trash.

# BERKS COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

**April 11, 2026** 

Governor Mifflin Intermediate School 600 Governor Drive Shillington, Pa. 19607

## 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM Rain or Shine

TO REGISTER GO TO

www.countyofberks.com/swa

### **Instructions**

- All waste must be in trunk of car or bed of truck.
- Stay in your vehicle at all times



When improperly disposed of, used motor crank case oil and antifreeze can damage the environment and human health.

#### SOME GUIDELINES

- <u>Don't</u> pour used oil or antifreeze on the ground, down the storm sewer or down any drain.
- <u>Don't</u> burn used oil except in an EPA approved furnace.
- <u>Don't</u> mix used oil with any other liquid.

DO collect the used oil in clean, unbreakable containers with tight fitting lids.



# Dispose of Your Hazardous Waste Safely!

FREE PROGRAM FOR ALL BERKS COUNTY RESIDENTS

- NO COMMERCIAL WASTE
- NO MORE THAN 200 LBS.
- NO 55 GALLON DRUMS
- NO LATEX PAINT!



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Compliments of the Berks County Solid Waste Authority

# BERKS COUNTY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

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