

Hazardous Material Management






A SERVICE PROVIDED FOR **NORTHEAST WISCONSIN** RESIDENTS


Many products contain hazardous materials.
Improper disposal of these products can cause harm to humans and the environment.
This guide will help you identify hazardous products around your home.

Keep your home safe by properly disposing of hazardous products!

- Key:  Dry in a secure, well-ventilated area and place in the trash
HMR Take to the **Hazardous Material Recovery**
TS Contact the **T**ransfer **S**tation @ 920.492.4950
 Contact your local Law Enforcement
 Flush down the drain (*only if connected to a sanitary sewer*) with plenty of water
\$ A Fee May Apply. Call the Hazardous Material Recovery Facility @ 920.492.4950 for current rates



Key	Household Items	Fee	Alternatives & Notes
HMR	Aerosol Cans		Recycle When Empty
HMR	Batteries	\$	None Known
	Bleach, Liquid		Powdered Bleach
HMR	Computers, Electronics	\$	Minimal Fee Charged
	Drain Cleaner		Plunger, Vinegar
HMR	Fluorescent Lights	\$	None Known
HMR	Light Ballast	\$	Non-PCB Ballast
HMR	Floor Cleaner		None Known
HMR	Mercury, Devices		Digital Devices
HMR	Mercury, Elemental		Digital Devices
HMR	Oven Cleaner		Baking Soda & Water/Salt
	Smoke Detectors		None Known
	Toilet, Tub, Tile Cleaner		Brush w/Baking Soda
	Window Cleaner		Vinegar & Water

Key	Car Care	Fee	Alternatives & Notes
	Ammunition/Fireworks		None Known
HMR	Antifreeze	\$	Propylene Glycol
HMR	Battery Acid		None Known
HMR	Battery, Lead-Acid	\$	None Known
HMR	Brake Fluid		Non-Halogenated Products
HMR	Carburetor Cleaner		None Known
HMR	Driveway Sealer/Tar		Water-Based Products
HMR	Gasoline, Other Fuels		None Known
HMR	Parts Cleaner/Degreaser		Detergent/Hot Water
HMR	Power Steering Fluid		None Known
TS	Tires	\$	None Known
HMR	Transmission Fluid		None Known
HMR	Used Motor Oil & Filters		None Known
HMR	Windshield Wiper Fluid		None Known

Key	Home Improvement	Fee	Alternatives & Notes
HMR	Adhesive Solvent-Based		Latex Adhesives
HMR	Adhesive, Water-Based	\$	None Known
TS	Asbestos		New Insulation/Flooring
	Caulk/Glaze/Grout/Putty	\$	None Known
	Cement/Mortar/Plaster	\$	None Known
HMR	Latex Paint	\$	Limestone Based White Wash
HMR	Non-Automotive Oils		None Known
HMR	Oil-Based Paint		Latex Paint, Avoid Aerosols
HMR	Paint Remover/Stripper		Sandpaper/Steel Wool
HMR	Paint Thinner/Solvent		Use Water-Based Paints
HMR	Stain, Varnish, Lacquer		Latex Paint
HMR	Wood Preservative		None Known

Key	Lawn & Garden	Fee	Alternatives & Notes
HMR	Cooking Oil/Grease	\$	Boil/Bake/Broil Food
	Empty Containers		None Known
HMR	Fertilizer, Weed & Feed		Compost
HMR	Flea Sprays		Brewers Yeast in Pet's Food
HMR	Insect Killer, Bee & Hornet		Bowl w/Soda & Dawn Soap
HMR	Insect Killer, Plant		Spray w/Dishwater & Rinse
HMR	Insect Repellent		Screens, Lotions
HMR	Moth Balls		Cedar Chips
HMR	Pool/Spa Chemicals		None Known
HMR	Rat Poison		Traps, Cat
HMR	Weed Killer		Pull by Hand
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Where does Brown County get its funding for the Hazardous Material Recovery Program?

A unique relationship between the Brown County Port & Resource Recovery Department, NEW Water, Brown County municipalities, and the Oneida Tribe of Indians provides a portion of the program's funding. Additional funding is obtained through grants and fees assessed for collection of material from residents, businesses and other Counties. The facility does not receive any tax funding. The primary purpose of the Hazardous Material Recovery program is to develop a safe disposal outlet for hazardous material from Brown County and other northeastern Wisconsin residents.

While many hazardous products brought in by Brown County Residents are accepted for free, a small fee is charged for some materials so that we can continue to accept these additional materials for disposal as requested by the public.

What is the best way to dispose of my paint?

- Latex paint is non-hazardous but represents nearly 30% of all the material collected by the HMR Facility. Full or partly full paint cans may be brought to the Hazardous Material Recovery Facility though there is a **charge** for disposal of **latex** paint.
- If the can has a **small amount** of paint left in it, sawdust, oil-dry, or cat litter can be used to absorb and dry all the free liquid. The can may then be disposed of with the lid **off** in your regular garbage.
- If the paint can is **empty**, let any paint residue in the can dry **completely**. Dispose of the can in your regular garbage with the lid **off**.

When properly stored, paint has an amazing shelf life. Oil-based paint can last up to 15 years and latex paint will keep up to 10 years. If paint still mixes smoothly, it can probably still be used. If latex paint has frozen, brush it on a piece of paper. If there are no lumps, the paint can still be used.

What do we do with your Hazardous Material?

- Most materials, **like paint and solvents**, are bulked into 55-gallon drums. These drums are removed by a hazardous material contractor who further bulks the material for transportation to a company that uses it as fuel. A cement kiln, for example, is a company that can use this material in a process, similar to incineration, called fuel blending. Fuel blending recovers the heat value, but at the same time the material is destroyed because of the high temperatures.
- Materials, like **pesticides**, are packed into drums called loose packs, which are drums filled with smaller containers. These drums are sent to a disposal company for additional sorting. Some of this material may be fuel blended, but most will be incinerated. Incineration destroys large complex chemicals by breaking them down into small, less hazardous compounds like water, carbon dioxide and ash.
- **Acids and bases** are sent for disposal in lab packs. Lab packs are similar to loose packs, except a lab pack has an inventory sheet. This inventory sheet is used to further identify the hazardous components of the lab pack. Corrosives are neutralized to make them non-hazardous.
- **Computers** are sent to a company where they are disassembled. Any non- information retaining parts are reused. Information-retaining parts are shredded before recycling.

What is the Product Exchange Room?

Much of the material brought to the Hazardous Material Recovery Facility is in very good condition and can still be used. The Facility has a Product Exchange Room where residents are able to pick up items to use for home repairs and projects! Each year more than 150,000 pounds of paint, stains, thinners, pesticides, automotive and cleaning products are taken and reused. You do not need to bring anything to take something; however, we ask that you take no more than **5 items at one time**.

Product Exchange Room Hours: Thursday 1PM until 6PM, Saturday 8AM until 2PM

Normal Hours of Operation:

Thursday 12 Noon until 6PM
Saturday 8AM until 2PM

Address:

2561 S. Broadway
Ashwaubenton

Business and farm material:

By appointment only... Call (920) 492-4950

Questions:

Contact: Brown County Port & Resource Recovery (920) 492-4950

Or visit our website: <http://www.BrownCountyRecycling.org>

