

Recycling Guide



Erie County Solid Waste Management District

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What to Recycle



- Glass – jars & bottles from food and beverages (all colors).
- Cans – aluminum, steel and bi-metal cans from food and beverages, empty dry paint cans, and empty aerosol cans.
- Scrap Steel – At the Erie County Services Center Only.
- Plastic – #1 or #2 plastic, for example: soda bottles, laundry detergent bottles, and mild jugs.
- Paper – newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail & office paper.
- Cardboard – corrugated boxes, without wax coating, paperboard boxes, and paper tubes

How to Recycle



- When recycling at any of the 14 drop-off locations, bag glass, cans and plastic together.
- Separate paper into the following types cardboard, newspaper, magazines, and office paper.
- Rinse out food, detergent, and any liquids from containers.
- Discard greasy, dirty or wax coated paper and cardboard.
- Remove lids off glass and plastic containers, and place them with household trash, as they are not recyclable.
- Recycle only acceptable materials, and do not contaminate recyclables by putting unaccepted items in the recycling bins.
- Contact your current waste hauler to determine if your municipality has curbside recycling services.

14 Drop-Off Recycling Locations



- Erie County Services Center -2900 Columbus Ave., Sandusky
- Erie County Landfill -10102 Hoover Road, Milan Township
- Berlin Township Garage - 40 East Main Street, Berlin Heights
- Central Erie Supply & Elevator - 4320 Mason Road, Oxford Township
- Florence Township Barn - Florence Wakeman Road South of Rte. 113, Florence Township
- Groton Township Services Building 9414 Portland Road, West of Rte. 4, Groton Township
- Osborn Park - 3910 Perkins Avenue, Huron Township
- Vermilion Township Barn - Stanely Road, Vermilion

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Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) What Are They?

Household Hazardous Wastes are:

- Household products that can cause injury or are harmful if handled improperly.
- They pose a threat not only to people, but to our environment as well.
- The average American home is full of potentially hazardous wastes such as pesticides, paint thinner, oven cleaner, and floor polish.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

What Products are HHW?

- Household products are considered hazardous if: ignitable, corrosive, explosive or toxic.
- Generally, you can assume a product is hazardous if the label mentions the word: pesticide, caustic, acid, flammable, warning, danger, or poison.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Are HHW Harmful?

- Many household products are poisonous to animals and people.
- When household hazardous products are poured down a drain, into a storm sewer or on the ground, they can damage our water supply and our wastewater treatment systems.
- Even properly stored, household hazardous wastes may be a fire hazard and increase the danger to your family and firefighters in case of a fire.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Procedures

- Although the residential storage and disposal of HHW is not regulated like industrial hazardous waste, it is still important to use, store and dispose of HHW carefully.
- Since liquids are not accepted at the landfill, many HHW products should be solidified before disposal.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Suggestions

- The best way to dispose of HHW is to use it all up as it was intended. Cleaning products, paints and garden products are easy to dispose of this way. If you can't use it, try to find someone who can. Be sure the product is in its original container with the label intact before you give it to someone else.
- Paint and liquid products in small containers may be solidified by adding an absorbent material such as dry kitty litter, clay soil, or sawdust to the container. For larger amounts, pour the liquid onto the absorbent material, and then shovel it into a plastic bag. Discard the material and the container in the trash.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Suggestions

- Wrap individual packages of dry pesticides such as granules or dust formulations in several layers of newspaper and place in a plastic bag. Tie or tape the bag closed and discard in the trash.
- Empty pesticide containers should be triple rinsed and the rinse water sprayed outdoors for pest control purposes. Empty, triple-rinsed containers may be disposed in the trash.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Suggestions

- Read labels for disposal instructions.
- Watch for HHW collections in your area.
- Recycling opportunities for this area are listed, starting on page , also contact the Erie County Solid Waste Management for assistance listed on page.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Cautions

- Mercury is highly toxic and can be absorbed through the skin. **DO NOT TOUCH MERCURY and DON'T THROW MERCURY IN THE TRASH!!** Please see Mercury Information on page.
- Never allow any HHW to be washed down or be put into storm drains. These drains may go directly to the lake or streams.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal Cautions

- Never pour anything down the drain or onto the ground unless the label on the container specifically states that this is a proper use or disposal of the product.
- Never mix household products together, even if disposing or recycling them. Dangerous chemical reactions may occur.
- Never burn or bury containers of leftover products. Many household products are flammable

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Minimization of HHW

- Consider non-toxic alternatives. Look for products that are less toxic, such as citrus-based cleaners, low VOC paints etc.
- Next time you purchase a potentially hazardous household product, buy the smallest amount you can to get the job done
- Whenever possible, use up a product or donate it to someone who can.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Antifreeze

There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **American Energy Products**
310 Huron Street Elyria, Ohio
440-322-6139 or
1-800-322-6139
- **Dickinson Antifreeze Recycling**
975 Plymouth East Road
Greenwich, Ohio
419-752-2691
- **Safety Kleen**
1169 Industrial Parkway
Brunswick, Ohio
1-800-222-4319
- **Precision Paving Co. Inc.**
3414 State Route 113 East
Milan, 419-499-7283
- **Kasper Buick Pontiac GMC**
2401 Cleveland Rd., Sandusky
419-625-8035
- **Walt's Auto Repair**
1229 W. Perkins Ave
Sandusky 419-625-8156
- **Snyder's Towing**
1401 E. Bay View Dr.
Sandusky 419-684-5745

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Battery Information

Two types of batteries are found in the average household and both contain heavy metals and other materials that are toxic.

- Dry Cell
- Wet Cell Batteries

Both dry cell and wet cell batteries can be recycled. Lead, mercury, lithium, zinc, manganese and other components are recovered from batteries for reuse in other products such as stainless steel and new batteries.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Dry Cell Battery Information

- Dry Cell Batteries are the small household batteries that power flashlights, toys, cassette players, cameras, cell phones, hearing aids, watches, and many other household items. They may or may not be rechargeable. They may be round, square, button-shaped or in a pack.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Dry Cell Battery Recycling

- **Erie County Sewer & Water Billing Office - Sandusky 419-627-7638**
- **Goodwill Retail Store - 924 E. Perkins Ave. Sandusky 419-625-2910**
- **Island Market Kelleys Island - 419-746-2292**
- **BGSU, Firelands Campus - Huron 419-433-5560**
- **Sandusky Central Feed & Supply - Sandusky 419-626-2058**
- **Huron Ace Hardware - Huron 419-433-4797**

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Wet Cell Battery Information

- Wet Cell Batteries (or lead-acid batteries) are the large batteries used in cars, trucks, motorcycles, boats and industrial applications. They contain acid and lead. Wet cell batteries are banned from all landfills in Ohio because of their potential to leach toxic chemicals as they break down. Neither you nor your trash hauler can dispose of wet cell batteries in household waste for disposal in the landfill.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Wet Cell Battery Recycling

There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **Advanced Auto Parts** - 2238 Campbell Street
Sandusky, 419-624-8950
- **Ebert's Garage** - 7804 Hayes Ave. Sandusky, 419-359-1353
- **Kasper Buick Pontiac GMC** - 2401 Cleveland Rd.
Sandusky, 419-625-8035
- **Lakeland Import Auto Service** - Columbus Ave.
Sandusky, 419-627-9626 4601
- **Robert's Auto Electric** - 2322 Sadler St. Sandusky,
419-625-1575
- **Sandusky Steel and Supply** - 1943 Milan Rd.
Sandusky, 419-626-4245

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Wet Cell Battery Recycling

There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **Walt's Auto Repair** - 1229 W. Perkins Ave. Sandusky, 419-625-8156
- **Huron Ace Hardware** - 402 Cleveland Rd. Huron, 419-433-4797
- **Snyder's Towing** - 1401 E. Bay View Dr. Bayview, 419-684-5745
- **Kyle Buick Pontiac** - 13901 W. Lake Rd. Vermilion, 440-967-3128
- **Bob's Auto Wrecking** - 12602 State Route 13 Milan, 419-499-2005
- **Erie County Landfill** - 10102 Hoover Rd. Milan, 419-433-5023
- **Precision Paving Co. Inc.** - 3414 State Route 113 East Milan, 419-499-7283

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Compact Fluorescent Light Recycling

There may be a charge, please call ahead

Residents

- **Home Depot**

715 Crossings Road Sandusky
419-626-6493

Take the CFL bulb to the
returns desk, no charge at this
time.

Businesses

- **Dlubak's Glass Co.**

Upper Sandusky
419-294-4466

- **Kayline**

Cleveland Ohio
800-426-5820

- Also see page 44 for other
HHW recycling vendors.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Mercury Information

All mercury is toxic to humans and wildlife

- Mercury
 - Natural occurring element
 - Liquid at room temperature
 - Conducts electricity
 - Expands and contracts
 - Does not degrade nor is it destroyed
 - Reacts readily with other metals
- Other Mercury Containing Devices
 - Lighted athletic shoes
 - Fluorescent lights
 - Button batteries
 - Antiseptics



For more information: www.epa.gov

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Mercury Disposal

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Mercury Containing Devices

- Battery Solutions
38680 Michigan Ave.
Wayne, Michigan 48184
(313) 467-9110
- Environmental Recycling
5265 Tractor Rd. Suite B
Toledo, Ohio 43612
1-800-284-9107
- Recyclights Inc.
4220 Perimeter Dr.
Columbus, Ohio 43228
1-800-831-2852

Mercury

- Erie County Emergency
Management Agency
(419) 627-7617
- Erie County Solid Waste
Management District
(419) 433-7303

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Motor Oil Facts

- Every year in the United States, do-it-yourselfers who change their own oil dump an estimated 180 million gallons of used motor oil on the ground, down sewers and into landfills.
- That is 16 times the amount lost in the Exxon Valdez oil spill, which did much damage to the wildlife and ecosystems of Alaska.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Motor Oil Information

- Used oil harms our environment. It contains toxic substances and heavy metals such as lead, zinc and arsenic produced during engine use.
- When dumped, oil does not evaporate. It sinks into the ground contaminating the soil, ground water, lakes and streams.
- Used oil cannot be discarded with your trash because it is a liquid. Ohio law bans oil and any other free liquids from all solid waste landfills in Ohio. Neither you nor your trash hauler are allowed to bring used oil to the landfill for disposal.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Motor Oil

There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **Advanced Auto Parts** - 2238 Campbell Street Sandusky, 419-624-8950
- **D & A Service Center** - 812 Columbus Ave Sandusky, 419-624-0911
- **Express Oil Change** - 4406 Milan Rd. or 2602 ½ Columbus Ave. Sandusky, 419-621-7445
- **Lakeland Import Auto Service** - 4601 Columbus Ave. Sandusky, 419-627-9626
- **McDonald's Car Wash & Quicklube** - 1644 Sycamore Line Sandusky, 419-626-4550
- **Ebert's Garage** - 7804 Hayes Ave. Sandusky, 419-359-1353
- **Milan Automotive** - 1419 State Rout 113 East Milan, 419-499-2236
- **City of Vermilion** - Devon Drive Service Center Vermilion, 440-967-4693

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Motor Oil

There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **Kasper Buick Pontiac GMC** - 2401 Cleveland Rd., Sandusky, 419-625-8035
- **Maag's Auto & Machine** - 1640 Columbus Ave., Sandusky, 419-626-1539
- **Walt's Auto Repair** - 1229 W. Perkins Ave. Sandusky, 419-625-8156
- **Snyder's Towing** -1401 E. Bay View Dr. Bayview, 419-684-5745
- **Kyle Buick Pontiac** - 13901 W. Lake Rd. Vermilion, 440-967-3128
- **Bob's Auto Wrecking** - 12602 State Route 13 Milan, 419-499-2005
- **Precision Paving Co. Inc.** - 3414 State Route 113 East Milan, 419-499-7283
- **Griff's Engine & Machine** - 710 Erie Street Sandusky, 419-625-0783
- **WalMart** - 5500 Milan Rd. Sandusky, 419-627-8186

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Miscellaneous

There may be a charge, please call ahead

Oil Filters

- **Griff's Engine & Machine** - 710 Erie Street Sandusky, 419-625-0783
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- **Lakeland Import Auto Service** - 4601 Columbus Ave. Sandusky, 419-627-9626
- **Walt's Auto Repair** - 1229 W. Perkins Ave Sandusky 419-625-8156
- **Kasper Buick Pontiac GMC** - 2401 Cleveland Rd., Sandusky, 419-625-8035
- **Snyder's Towing** – 1401 E. Bay View Dr. Sandusky 419-684-5745

Air Filters

- **Lakeside Filter Company** 5404 East Lake Road Sheffield Lake, Ohio 440-949-7150
- **Griff's Engine & Machine** - 710 Erie Street Sandusky, 419-625-0783
- **Walt's Auto Repair** - 1229 W. Perkins Ave. Sandusky, 419-625-8156
- **Snyder's Towing** – 1401 E. Bay View Dr. Sandusky 419-684-5745
- **Lakeland Import Auto Service** - 4601 Columbus Ave. Sandusky, 419-627-9626

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Landfill Ban on Paint

- Ohio law bans liquid paint and any other free liquids from all solid waste landfills in Ohio. Neither you nor your trash hauler may bring liquid paint to the landfill for disposal.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Paint Disposal

- Use It Up – The easiest way to dispose of leftover paint is to use it all up. Apply a second coat, touch up areas, or paint a closet or small object.
- Give It Away – If you can't use it, find someone who can: neighbor, theater group, or community organization, and even garage sale.
- Dry It Out – Liquid paint may be solidified and then disposed of with household trash. Leave the lid off the can so your trash hauler can see that the paint is hardened.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Latex Paint Disposal

- Latex paint may be disposed with household trash if it is allowed to harden.
- Remove the lid and place the can in an area away from children and animals.
- Occasionally break the “skin” that forms on the top as it dries.
- To speed up the process, stir in enough cat litter, plaster of paris, sawdust or oil-absorbent to solidify the paint.
- Latex paint may also be dried by pouring a little at a time into a cardboard box filled with layers of newspaper, sawdust or cat litter. When dry, the box may be disposed in the trash.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Oil-Based Paint Disposal

- Oil-based paint in small amounts (one inch or less) may be solidified and then disposed with your trash.
- Mix sawdust or cat litter into the paint and allow to air dry in a well-ventilated area.
- Once the paint is dried, wrap the paint can in several layers of newspaper and dispose in the trash.
- Oil-based paints include: enamel, varnish, shellac, lacquer, stain, and sealer.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Aerosol Paint Disposal

- Aerosol paint cans may be emptied by spraying the contents into a cardboard box.
- Be sure to work outside and to stay away from hot surfaces, open flames, flowers and vegetable gardens.
- Do not inhale the vapors.
- Discard the box once the paint has dried.
- Recycle the empty can.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Paint Solvent Disposal

- Solvents such as paint thinner, turpentine and mineral spirits may be cleaned and reused.
- Let these products sit in a closed container until the paint particles settle to the bottom.
- Then pour off the clear liquid into a clean container.
- Clearly label the container.
- Add sawdust or cat litter to the residue.
- Let it dry completely before disposing with household trash.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Paint Disposal Cautions

- Paint and paint solvents should never be disposed down the drain, on the ground or into a water source.
- Conventional wastewater treatment plants and septic systems are not designed to handle oil-based paints and solvents, or large amounts of latex paint.
- Paint poured down a storm sewer may drain to a stream or lake, and paint poured on the ground can run off or percolate into streams or wells.
- Both oil-based and water-based (latex) paints contain organic chemicals that can damage the environment and human health if they contaminate water or soil.
- Paints manufactured before 1979 may also contain lead and those manufactured before 1991 may contain mercury, both of which are highly toxic.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

How Long Can I Store Paint?

- Latex Paint - can be stored for up to ten years if:
 - The can is at least 1/3 full
 - The lid has been well sealed
 - It has been stored indoors
 - It has not been frozen
 - It is not lumpy or does not smell bad
 - Mercury is not listed as an ingredient

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) How Long Can I Store Paint?

- Oil-Based Paint - can be stored for up to fifteen years if:
 - The can is at least 1/3 full
 - The lid has been well sealed
 - It mixes and spreads smoothly
 - Lead is not listed as an ingredient on the label

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Minimization of Paint

- Buy Only What You Need – Measure your room, including the door and window spaces, or the objects you plan to paint. Take your measurements to the store to allow the salesperson to help you determine the amount of paint. Average coverage is 400-450 square feet per gallon.
- Use Latex Paint – Latex paint cleans up with soap and water, you do not need to buy paint thinner or solvents.
- Use It All – Apply a second coat, paint a closet, touch up an area, or paint a small object.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Tires



There may be a charge, please call ahead

- **Erie County Landfill**
10102 Hoover Rd. Milan,
419-433-5023
- **District Tire Center**
319 W. Perkins Ave.
Sandusky, 419-626-9230
- **Goodyear Auto Service
Ctr.** 4215 Milan Ave.
Sandusky, 419-625-6047
- **Kyle Buick Pontiac**
13901 W. Lake Rd.
Vermilion, 440-967-3128
- **Snyder's Towing**
1401 E. Bay View Dr.
Bayview, 419-684-5745
- **Walt's Auto Repair**
1229 W. Perkins Ave.
Sandusky, 419-625-8156
- **Mathews Ford**
610 E. Perkins Ave.
Sandusky, 419-626-4721

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Business Vendors

There will be a charge or certain material only, please call ahead

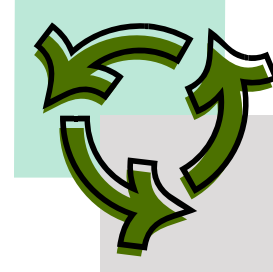
- **Bizmat Center**
1085 Sweitzer Ave Akron
330-535-6677
- **Environmental Recycling Group**
13040 Merriman, Suite 200
Livonia MI
734-437-9650
- **PSC Environmental**
515 Lycaste St. Detroit MI
800-776-0226
- **Environmental Enterprises Inc.**
10163 Cincinnati-Dayton Rd
Cincinnati
800-722-2818
- **Clean Harbors**
2900 Rockefeller Ave Cleveland
800-343-5119 x 217
- Also see page 25 for Compact
Fluorescent Light and
Fluorescent Bulb recyclers.

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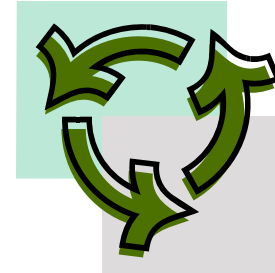
Appliances

- Erie County Landfill 10102
Hoover Rd. Milan,
419-433-5023
- Sandusky Steel & Supply
1943 Milan Road Sandusky,
419-626-4245
- Galloway Brothers
2717 Old Railroad
Sandusky, Ohio
419-626-8492

Electronics

- Grade Eastern Metal
Cleveland, Ohio
216-441-3436
- Staples
5500 Milan Road
Sandusky, Ohio
419-626-8077
- Goodwill Industries
Sandusky 419-625-2910
Huron 419-433-7542

Miscellaneous Clothes Hangers



- Beilstein Dry Cleaners 3708 Columbus Ave. Sandusky, (419) 627-0828
- French Tex Cleaners 1172 Sandusky Plaza, Sandusky, (419) 625-2283
- French Tex Cleaners 812 W. Washington St. Sandusky, (419) 626-5380
- French Tex Cleaners 1212 Hull Road Sandusky, (419) 5482
- Pfanner Dry Cleaners 414 W. Washington St. Sandusky (419) 626-1821

Miscellaneous



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Eye Glasses

- E.B. Brown Optical Express
Sandusky Mall
(419) 625-7904

Film/Photo

- Drumminger Photography
901 E. State St.
Fremont, 43420
(419)332-8814

Vinyl Siding & Skirting

- Recyclid Resources, Inc.
600 Hagerty Dr.
Fremont, 43420
(419) 332-7369

Propane Tanks

- Meyers Propane 3902
Venice Rd. Sandusky (419)
626-2665

Miscellaneous



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Composting

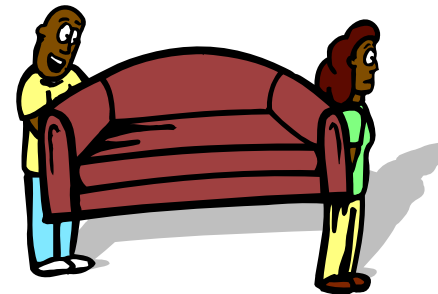
- Barnes Compost Facility
1630 Camp Rd. Huron
(419) 433-1050

Styrofoam/Packaging

- UPS Locations
Packing Peanuts Only

Furniture

- Call Community Organizations, such as:
Goodwill, Care & Share, or
Volunteer Center



Special Events Calendar



- March 27th from 9am-Noon Great American Clean-Up, Contact Lisa Beursken at 419-433-7303
- April – Shrink Wrap Collection Starts, Please Contact Your Local Marina
- April 17th – Earth Day Extravaganza at the Sandusky Mall from 10am – 4pm
- July 10th – Appliance/Electronic Round-Up 9am-12pm Erie County Fairgrounds
- Oct. – Nov. Phonebook Recycling at all 8 drop-off locations.

Erie County Sanitary Landfill



Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday

6:30am-4:00pm

Saturday

8:00-Noon

Erie County Sanitary Landfill

10102 Hoover Road

Milan, Ohio 44846

Phone: (419) 433-5023

Fax: (419) 433-6669

Erie County Solid Waste Management District

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Fax (419) 433-6214

Solid Waste Management District Policy Committee

1. Commissioner Representative – Patrick J. Shenigo
2. Largest Municipality Representative – Carrie R. Handy
3. Township Representative – Jeffery L. Ferrell
4. Health Dept. Representative – Robert L. England
5. Largest Generator Representative – James A. Guerra
6. Citizen Representative – Dr. Linda P. Cornell
7. Public Representative – Andy White