

UNACCEPTABLE THROUGH HHW COLLECTIONS

- **Explosives**
Contact your Police or Fire departments
- **Compressed Gas Cylinders**
Contact LaPorte County Solid Waste District
- **Commercial hazardous waste**
Contact Tradebe 1-800-388-7242
- **Latex Paint**
- **Smoke Alarms**

Lever household products that contain corrosive, toxic, ignitable, or reactive ingredients are considered to be "household hazardous waste" or "HHW". Products such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides that contain potentially hazardous ingredients require special care when you dispose of them.

Improper disposal of household hazardous waste can include pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers, or in some cases putting them out with the trash. The dangers of such disposal methods might not be immediately obvious, but improper disposal of these wastes can pollute the environment and pose a threat to all living things.



SPECIAL HANDLING



- **Medicines**
Bring in sealed plastic bag
- **Fluorescent tubes**
(Contains Mercury)
Should be taped together
- **Sharps**
Bring in hard plastic bottles, i.e. Detergent Bottles
- **Switches containing Mercury**
- **Thermostats containing Mercury**
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Devices containing Mercury must be placed in sealed plastic bag.

Tips from the HHW Crew

If your material is not listed in this brochure, **WHEN IN DOUBT, BRING IT OUT!** Store and use HHW in a place where any spills can be contained.

Only buy as much of a product as you'll use. You will save money, and won't have to dispose of the leftovers.

Follow the instruction for safe use and clean up. Use non-hazardous alternatives whenever possible. Alternatives to hazardous cleaners, pesticides, etc. can be found on the web or by contacting La Porte County Solid Waste District. 219-326-0014

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Household Hazardous Waste MOBILE COLLECTION PROGRAM



A Helpful Guide to the proper disposal of Household Hazardous Waste Materials

**Call
1-800-483-7700
219-326-0014**

