



What to do with it?

Reduce. Reuse. Recycle



Where to Dispose/Recycle Common Household Items

Item Description	Alternatives to Trash/Dumpster		
Aerosol cans: empty	■	●	
Aerosol cans: partial - full		●	●
Aluminum cans, pans (clean)	■	●	
Antifreeze		●	
Athletic shoes			
Batteries: car, boat, motorized vehicles		●	
Batteries: all kinds (including alkaline)			
Building materials (suitable for reuse)			
Cardboard	■	●	
Cartons (milk, juice, broth, wine, aseptic)	■	●	
Caustic liquids: cleaners solvents, pool chemicals			●
Cell phones			■
Christmas trees		●	
Computers, monitors, etc.			■
Cooking oil		●	●
Corks			
Electronics, anything electrical (Christmas tree lights to TVs)**			■
Eye glasses			
Flammable liquids			●
Fluorescent bulbs (as well as halogen bulbs)		●	
Glass containers (any color)	■	●	
Hangers (metal)		●	
Herbicides			●
Inkjet cartridges and toner cartridges			
Insecticides			●
Mattresses			■
Metal, scrap			
Metal lids (smaller than 3 in. x 3 in. enclose in tin can) and tops	■	●	
Motor oil and oil filters		●	
Packing materials (peanuts, bubble wrap, etc.)			
Paint: latex		●	
Paint: oil based			●
Paper (news, junk mail, catalogs, phone books, shredded, etc.)	■	●	
Paper board (food boxes, packaging)	■	●	
Pharmaceuticals (pills, no sharps)			
Plastic bags (grocery, newspaper sleeves, cleaner bags)		●	
Plastic containers, bottles, tops and lids (#1-5 and 7)	■	●	
Plastic plant containers	■		
Propane tanks			●
Styrofoam blocks (including clean food service items)		●	
Textiles (clothes, shoes, linens and toys to stuffed animals, pillows)		●	
Tires (automobile max. 5)		●	
Useful household items and clothing (drop off)			
Useful household items and clothing (pick up)			
Yard waste			

■ Curbside: City of West University Place

● Westpark Recycling Center

City of Houston Facility
www.houston.tx.gov/solidwaste/westpark.html

Mon-Sat 8 AM - 5 PM
5900 Westpark, (713) 668-9551

Items must be sorted prior to drop off

● Environmental Service Center (ESC - South)

City of Houston
www.houston.tx.gov/solidwaste/esc-south.html

Tuesday and Wed 9 AM - 3 PM
2nd Sat of Month 9 AM - 1 PM
11500 South Post Oak Rd.
Houston, TX 77035, (713) 551-7355

■ Shredding Event:
Held first Saturday in November and May

* See page 2 for information about vouchers
** No large appliances



What to recycle something not on the list? Use Earth 911 Recycle Search and Guides



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Household Hazardous Waste

What is Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)?

HHW can be found in many locations throughout your home:

In the Garage: *paint, motor oil, fertilizer, antifreeze, pesticides, and pool chemicals.*

In the House: *cleaning chemicals, pet supplies (flea/tick sprays, collars or shampoos), insect sprays and baits, and mercury thermometers.*

In the Bathroom: *tub and tile cleaners, hydrogen peroxide, isopropyl alcohol, nail polish and remover*

The average household generates 15 lbs. of HHW annually. To identify HHW look for these warning words on products: toxic, warning, poison, flammable, corrosive, combustible, danger, irritant, and caution. (taken from Get the Power Over Household Chemical by the Houston-Galveston Area Council)

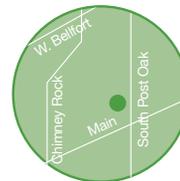
Why can't HHW be thrown away or flushed down the drain?

When HHW is disposed of in the trash, it can contaminate landfills, and subsequently, our groundwater. When dumped onto the ground or poured in the storm sewer, HHW can contaminate surface water. In either case, water contamination results in higher water treatment costs and has a detrimental effect on the ecosystem.

Residents currently have three options available to dispose of HHW properly.

Option 1: West U's HHW Voucher Program – The City offers a voucher for West U residents to dispose of residential HHW at the City of Houston facilities. The vouchers are issued on a first come first serve basis. The City pays a fee of \$75 for each voucher and there is a limit of 100 pounds per visit. The cost of the voucher is paid from the monthly solid waste fees collected by the City.

For more information on West U's HHW Voucher Program please visit www.westutx.gov/hhwvoucher, call the Public Works Department at 713-662-5839, or use the QR code to access more information.



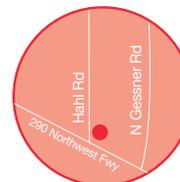
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Option 2: Harris County HHW Facility – The County operates a HHW facility that is open to all West U residents at no additional cost and does not require a voucher. This facility is funded through your property taxes paid to the County. For a complete list of items taken at this facility, please visit the website listed on the right, or use the QR code to access more information.



Household Hazardous Waste

Harris County Facility
www.eng.hctx.net/watershed/hhw_home.html

Wed 9 AM – 3 PM
2nd Sat of Month 9 AM – 2 PM
6900 Hahl Road, Houston, TX 77040
(281) 560-6200



Option 3: City of Houston Westpark Recycling Center – this facility will accept certain HHW items, as well as, other items that can be recycled. Please see the other side or visit their website for a complete listing of items accepted at this facility, or use the QR code to access more information. West U residents are not required to have a voucher to use this facility.



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