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## **Household Hazardous Waste**

### **2018 HHW Event Dates**

To help you dispose of your household hazardous wastes, the City coordinates Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off Days between April and November. On the dates listed below, a temporary site is set up in Lot C, at SaskTel Centre (101 - 3515 Thatcher Avenue) from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., for residents of Saskatoon to drop-off their household hazardous waste materials for recycling or safe disposal.

#### **2018 dates:**

- April 8 (Sunday)
- May 27 (Sunday)
- June 16
- July 14
- August 18
- September 8
- October 28 (Sunday)
- November 17

**Location: SaskTel Centre: PARKING LOT C**

**(101 - 3515 Thatcher Avenue)**

**from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.**

follow the signs and direction of attendants on site.

Household hazardous wastes (HHW) are the discarded, unused or leftover portion of household products containing chemicals that can cause illness or death to people, plants and animals. These products are often labeled CAUTION, WARNING, CORROSIVE, EXPLOSIVE, FLAMMABLE, POISONOUS or TOXIC. Common household hazardous wastes include aerosols, cleaning solvents, oils, paints, pesticides and batteries. These and many other types of hazardous materials should

not be put in your garbage or recycling bins, dumped on the ground or poured down the drain.

City of Saskatoon provides free drop-off events between April and November, for residents to safely discard of household hazardous waste. This program is for residential or household hazardous waste only; hazardous waste from businesses or other organizations will not be accepted. For disposal/recycling opportunities of hazardous wastes from non-residential sources, please contact GFL Environmental Inc. at 306-244-9500.

### **What you can expect from us**

1. Monthly drop-off events for the disposal of household hazardous wastes.
2. A friendly and knowledgeable team of experts available to unload your vehicle safely and efficiently.
3. Responsible disposal of your household hazardous wastes.

### **How you can help us**

1. Help put waste in the right place. Learn about household hazardous wastes and how to safely and responsibly discard of unused or leftover portions of products containing harmful chemicals.
2. If you plan to attend a drop-off event, make sure your household hazardous wastes are safely contained or packaged for transport. Let the event staff know if you want to keep the box/bin used to transport your items, and they'll return it after your items have been removed.
3. Stay in your vehicle and let the event staff do the work – it is safer for everyone and speeds up the drop-off process!
4. There may be other local opportunities as well to dispose of your stuff. If you have questions about hazardous wastes from your household, ask our event staff or contact us at [306-975-2487](tel:306-975-2487) or [email](#).
5. Tell us about your experience attending the event – what did we do well and how could we improve? Contact us at [306-975-2487](tel:306-975-2487) or [email](#).

### **Customer Service**

If you have any questions about the Household Hazardous Waste program, please contact [306-975-2487](tel:306-975-2487) or [email](#).

## Common Materials

### Accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Days

- Acid - battery acid, toilet bowl cleaner, sulphuric acid, hydrochloric acid
- Adhesives - contact cement, resin, glue, sealer, caulking
- Aerosols - hair spray, insect repellent, lubricant spray, furniture cleaner
- Automotive - used oil, oil filters, antifreeze, carburetor cleaner, batteries, fuel, windshield wiper solution, transmission fluid, brake fluid, empty oil containers and pails (note: barrels/drums of oil will not be accepted at HHW drop-off events; please visit [www.saskwastereduction.ca](http://www.saskwastereduction.ca) for other options to recycle large volumes of oil)
- Batteries - alkali, dry cell, NiCad, lithium, lead-acid (automotive)
- Cleaners - floor, carpet, clothing, oven, glass, car wax, disinfectant, aluminum cleaner
- Cylinders - propane, helium, oxygen, acetylene, fire extinguishers
- Corrosives - drain cleaner, engine degreaser, ammonia, battery acid, sulfuric acid
- Fuels - gasoline, diesel, kerosene, oil/gas mixture
- Light Bulbs & Ballasts - fluorescent light ballasts (with or without PCBs), light bulbs
- Mercury - mercury, mercury thermometers
- Oxidizing Chemicals - chlorine, bleach, pool chemicals, fertilizer, hydrogen peroxide
- Paint - paint and paint products are accepted at HHW events; however, many items including leftover paint and empty paint cans are also accepted at all SARCAN recycling depots in Saskatoon. SARCAN is the designated collector of these materials under the [Saskatchewan Paint Recycling Program](#). A complete list of items accepted under the program can be found at [SARCAN](#)
- Pesticides & Fertilizers - pesticides, herbicides, insecticides, rodenticides, fertilizer
- Pharmaceuticals - prescription drugs, medicines (no needles, sharps or biological waste)
- Propane Cylinders - barbecue cylinders (20 lb), camp cylinders (1 lb)
- Solvents – varsol, paint thinner, naphtha, acetone, toluene, xylene, alcohol, benzene
- Other Materials – asbestos (must be double contained), asphalt sealers, roofing tar, detergents, photographic chemicals, pigments, dyes, hair colour, nail polish, nail polish remover, lead, mothballs, pet supplies, phenol, pine oil, scouring powder, spot remover, septic tank chemicals, shoe polish, wood preservatives, household products containing microbeads (e.g., hand soap)

## Materials NOT Accepted at Household Hazardous Waste Days

- ***NOTE: this is a 'household' hazardous waste program - wastes from businesses or other organizations will not be accepted.***
- Construction, renovation and demolition waste.
- **Class 1 (Explosives)** including ammunition, explosives, flares, guns, gun powder and related items - contact [Saskatoon Police Service](#) at [306- 975-8300](tel:306-975-8300)
- **Class 2 (Compressed Gases)** other than aerosols, propane, butane, oxygen, carbon dioxide, helium, acetylene cylinders and fire extinguishers - all for residential use - contact [GFL Environmental](#) at [306-244-9500](tel:306-244-9500)
- **Class 7 (Radioactive)** including ionization chamber-type smoke detectors - contact [Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council](#) at [306-931-3242](tel:306-931-3242)
- **Biologically hazardous materials** including sharps, needles and items contaminated with human fluids - see [Needle Safe](#) brochure or contact Needle Safe Saskatoon Information Line at [306-655-4444](tel:306-655-4444); operators of Medical or Business Offices please contact [Biomed Recovery and Disposal Ltd.](#) at [306-253-4476](tel:306-253-4476)
- **PCB materials other than fluorescent light ballasts** - contact [GFL Environmental](#) at [306-244-9500](tel:306-244-9500)
- **Used tires (automotive and bicycle)** - contact [Saskatchewan Scrap Tire Corporation](#) at [306-721-8473](tel:306-721-8473)
- **Electronics of any type** - see 'Other Recycling Opportunities in the Community' section below
- **Unknown chemicals** - contact [GFL Environmental](#) at [306-244-9500](tel:306-244-9500)

## Other Recycling Opportunities in the Community

A variety of local retailers accept specific materials for disposal or recycling during their regular business hours. Visit [Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council's website](#) for a list of places that accept household hazardous waste material.