Chemical Waste Is a Problem

When hazardous wastes are poured down the sink or toilet, dumped "out back", poured into a street drain or put out into the trash, they eventually make their way into our water supply.

*Wherever you live, you live within a watershed. Streams lead into rivers and rivers into larger bodies of water. In Connecticut we live in the Long Island Sound Watershed. Pouring certain chemical products down the drain, dumping excess products such as waste oil and gasoline on the ground, or overuse of pesticides and fertilizers can threaten nearby sources of drinking water and the Sound.*

Who Can Use The Facility

If you live in one of the MidNEROC towns, you may bring residential quantities of hazardous waste to the facility. There is no charge at the facility. Bring proof of residency.

If you operate a small business in a MidNEROC town, then contact the MidNEROC administrator at 860-289-2296 to find out if you qualify as a "conditionally exempt small quantity generator" and to make an appointment. There is a fee for this service.

Household Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility

57 Hancock Road
Willington, CT 06279
Phone: (860) 684-3163

Open from 9 am to 2 pm on the first and third Saturday of the month from mid-April to early November. Closed Fourth of July and Labor day weekends.

Sponsored by the Mid Northeast Recycling Operating Committee (MidNEROC)

Member Towns:

Andover  Eastford
Ashford  Mansfield
Bolton  Tolland
Chaplin  Union
Columbia  Willington
Coventry  Windham
**Facility Hours & Directions**

*From the East:* Travel west on Rte 44.  Turn right onto Rte 74.  Travel 5.1 miles.  Turn right onto Rte 320.  Travel 1.8 miles.  Turn left onto Hancock Rd.

*From the West:* Travel east on I-84.  Take Exit 71, Ruby Rd.  Turn right onto Rte 320 (Ruby Rd).  Travel 1.3 miles.  Turn right onto Hancock Rd.

*From the North:* Travel west on I-84.  Take Exit 71, Ruby Rd.  Turn left onto Ruby Rd/ Lohse Rd.  Turn left onto Rte 320 (Ruby Rd).  Turn right onto Rte 320.  Travel 1.4 miles.  Turn right onto Hancock Rd.

*From the South:* Travel north on Rte 195.  Go through UConn & Rte 44 intersection.  Turn right onto Rte 320.  Travel 5.4 miles.  Turn left onto Hancock Rd.

The facility is .3 miles down Hancock Rd on the left.

**How To Prepare Material**

- Pack carefully in original containers only, seal and label
- Do not mix materials
- Drive carefully to prevent tipping
- No smoking while handling and transporting materials
- Residential limits of 10 gallons of liquid and 100 pounds dry materials

**Accepted Materials**

*From the House:*
- Bug spray
- Mercury thermometers
- Mercury thermostats
- Dry cleaning fluid
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Arts & crafts supplies
- Rechargeable batteries
- General purpose cleaners
- Aerosol cans with hazardous contents

*From the Garage:*
- Gasoline
- Engine/radiator flushes

*From the Workbench:*
- Oil based paint
- Rust preventative
- Wood preservative
- Lead based paint
- Solvents
- Degreasers
- Wood strippers
- Paint thinner

*From the Yard/Garden:*
- Fertilizers with pesticides & herbicides
- Herbicides
- Muriatic acid
- Pesticides
- Insect spray
- Pool chemicals

**Materials Not Accepted**

*Latex paint*
Completely dry out in paint can by adding sawdust or kitty litter and dispose with household trash.

*Medication*
Do NOT flush down the toilet or drain. Many medications can be disposed in the trash. For more information go to:

*Asbestos*
Double bag and seal. One cubic foot can be disposed with trash. For large quantities, contact an asbestos removal company listed in the yellow pages.

*Recycled through your town*
- Car batteries
- Motor oil
- Transmission oil
- #2 fuel oil
- Brake fluid
- Kerosene
- Gas cylinders
- Diesel fuel
- Antifreeze

*Explosives, fireworks, ammunition*
Contact your State Police barracks.

*Water reactive materials*
For peroxides and metallic sodium, contact a licensed environmental contractor listed in the yellow pages.

*Biologically active materials*
Contact a licensed medical & infectious waste contractor listed in the yellow pages.