

Household Hazardous Materials

Knowing how to safely handle hazardous materials (HHM) during their use, storage, and disposal can protect you and your family.



Common Products

- Cleaning products
- Nail polish and remover
- Aerosol cans (i.e. hair spray, deodorant)
- Florescent lights
- Batteries
- Workshop or painting supplies
- Flammable products (i.e. kerosene, propane tanks, and lighter fluid)
- Automotive products (i.e. antifreeze, motor oil)
- Pesticides, herbicides, insecticides

Storage and Disposal

- Follow use, storage, and disposal instructions on the package.
- Use cleaning products in a well-ventilated area.
- Keep products with hazardous material in their original container and with the original label attached.
- Store household chemicals out of reach of children.
- Lock or childproof cabinets and storage areas if you have children in your home.
- Do not mix household hazardous chemicals or waste with other products. Some chemicals, like chlorine bleach and ammonia, may react, ignite, or explode when mixed.
- Never use hair spray, cleaning solutions, paint products, or pesticides near an open flame.
- Do not pour chemicals down the drain, on the ground, or in a storm drain.



Recycle Here SC

Some county programs accept HHM through a regular collection program or a single-day collection event. For more, visit: RecycleHereSC.



Instead of: Try:

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| Drain Cleaner | • Plunger or plumber's snake |
| Rug Deodorizer | • Baking soda |
| Mothballs | • Cedar chips, lavender flowers, rosemary, mint, white peppercorn |
| Glass Cleaner | • Mix one tbsp. of vinegar or lemon juice with one quart of water |
| Furniture Polish | • Mix one tsp. of lemon juice with one pint of mineral or vegetable oil |

National Poison Control Hotline
(800)222-1222

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