



## HOW DO I GET RID OF IT?

The A to Z Guide for Recycling & Disposal in Pinellas County

<http://www.pinellascounty.org/utilities/getridofit>

Questions? Call Solid Waste at 464-7500.

All phone numbers are area code 727, unless otherwise indicated.

### Chemicals, hazardous

**Automotive:** [antifreeze](#), brake fluid, carburetor cleaner, fuel additive, [motor oil](#), power steering fluid, radiator fluid, starter fluid, transmission fluid, wiper fluid, [vehicle battery](#)

**Cleaners:** bleach, drain cleaner, floor care, furniture polish, metal cleaner or polish, oven cleaner, silver polish, toilet cleaner, tub or tile cleaner, wood cleaner or polish

**Flammable:** [diesel fuel](#), [gasoline](#), [gas/oil mix](#), [kerosene](#), lighter fluid, fireworks, flares (automotive or [marine](#))

**Household:** ant bait, bug spray, flea collar, flea spray, flea shampoo, houseplant insecticide, mothballs, nail polish or remover, rubbing alcohol, shoe polish, [thermometer](#), [thermostat](#)

**Lawn/Garden:** bug killer, fertilizer, fungicide, herbicide, insecticide, pesticide, weed killer

**Miscellaneous:** [button cell battery](#), [cooking oil](#), driveway sealer, [fluorescent bulb](#), [freon](#), photography-related chemicals, pool or spa chemicals, [rechargeable battery](#)

**Workshop:** adhesive, furniture stripper, glue (solvent-based), lead, linseed oil, mineral spirits, paint ([latex](#) or [oil](#)), paint remover or thinner, rat or mouse poison, solvent, stain, tung oil, turpentine, varnish, wood preservative

—HYPERLINKED ITEMS ARE LISTED ON SEPARATE PAGES—



**These are hazardous waste. Do NOT dispose with regular trash!**

\* Not sure if an item is hazardous?

Check the label. An item is hazardous if the label contains any of the following terms: POISON, DANGER, WARNING, or CAUTION.

- Reduce** waste:
  - Buy only what you need.
  - Select multi-use products instead of single-use.
  - Look for less hazardous chemical cleaners such as [Green Seal](#) or biodegradable products.
  - Replace chemical cleaners with non-toxic alternatives such as using baking soda and vinegar to open clogs instead of a commercial drain cleaner. Visit [Eco-Cycle](#) or [University of Florida](#) for alternative cleaning products.
- Drop off** at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC<sub>3</sub> facility](#) for recycling (free for residents). See tips for packaging chemicals on the next page.
- Businesses** options:
  - See #1 above.
  - Drop off** (for a [fee](#)) at a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or an [EnviroBusiness Day](#) event at the HEC<sub>3</sub> facility. See tips for packaging chemicals on the next page.
  - Contact** a [Chemical Recycling and Disposal Company](#).



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## **Chemicals, hazardous *continued***

4. **Dispose.** It is safe to throw away EMPTY chemical containers such as an empty aerosol can that contained furniture polish. If you are not sure whether a container is empty, bring it to a Pinellas County [mobile collection](#) or the [HEC<sub>3</sub> facility](#).

### **Tips for Packaging and Transporting Chemicals to a Mobile Collection or HEC<sub>3</sub>**

1. Do NOT mix chemicals together.
2. Keep products in original labeled containers if possible.
3. Place containers in cardboard boxes. Use crumpled newspaper to prevent breakage.
4. Place leaky containers in clear plastic bags, and transport in boxes with newspaper.
5. Put boxes in the trunk or in the back of the vehicle away from passengers.
6. Place individual batteries in separate plastic bags, or cover terminals with heavy tape to prevent short-circuits.

Also see:

[Antifreeze](#)

[Button cell batteries](#)

[Chemical Recycling and Disposal Companies](#)

[Diesel fuel](#)

[Fluorescent bulbs](#)

[Freon](#)

[Gasoline](#)

[Gas/oil mix](#)

[Kerosene](#)

[Latex paint](#)

[Marine flares](#)

[Motor oil](#)

[Oil paint](#)

[Rechargeable batteries](#)

[Smoke detectors](#)

[Thermometer](#)

[Thermostat](#)

[Vehicle batteries](#)