

New Hanover County Environmental Management Hazardous Household Waste Collection

Beginning May 15, 2013, we will be accepting household hazardous waste 6 days per week. This service is free to all residents of New Hanover County

Drop-Off

Days & Times

Monday - Friday

10am - 2pm

Saturdays

8am - 12pm

(except Holidays)

Drop-Off

Location

**NHC Environmental
Management Dept.
Admin Office
3002 Hwy 421 N
Wilmington, NC 28401
(WASTEC Facility)
(910) 798-4400**

Items Collected

- **Mercury Thermostats and Mercury Containing Devices (including thermometers)**
- **CFL bulbs and Lamps Containing Mercury (not taped together or broken)**
- **Batteries**
- **Solvents**
- **Pesticides, Herbicides, Fertilizers**
- **Household Cleaners**
- **Aerosols**
- **Acids**
- **Caustic Materials (i.e. drain cleaner, lye, Borax)**
- **Cooking Oil & Motor Oil (and oil filters)**
- **Fuels**
- **Antifreeze**
- **Paint**
- **Smoke Detectors**
- **Sharps (needles)**
- **Electronics**

ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY ALTERNATIVES TO USE IN PLACE OF SOME COMMON ITEMS:

Insect Repellant: Use screens; marigolds; rosemary; or garlic.

Scouring Cleanser: Mix 1/4 cup baking soda with 1 tablespoon liquid detergent. Add just enough white distilled vinegar to give it a thick but creamy texture.

Drain Cleaner: Pour in 1 cup baking soda, then 1 cup hot white distilled vinegar. Let sit for 5 minutes, then run hot water down drain.

Spot Remover: Mix cold water, detergent & alcohol.

Silver Polish: Mix water, baking soda, salt & toothpaste and apply with crumpled aluminum foil.

Furniture Polish: Lemon oil; mineral oil

Paints: Buy only what you need & save small jar for touch-ups.

Air Freshener: Potpourri

Brass/Copper Cleaner: Lemon juice mixed with salt.

Weed Control: Use old newspaper in your garden to reduce weeds .



Vinegar may be used as a replacement for many caustic cleaners. Visit the website Vinegartips.com for ideas!

Do You Have Items Not Listed?

Call us at (910) 798-4400, or check out our website:

<http://www.nhcgov.com/Environmental/Pages/How-to-Dispose-of-Household-Items.aspx>