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### Where should we place our hazardous waste?



Spring has finally arrived, which means that the season's cleaning is underway. The City of Kamloops and the TNRD have opened a Household Hazardous Waste Facility for the public, but what is Household Hazardous Waste? and why should we care?

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) contains chemicals that could harm the environment and/or animal and human health when not handled properly. Some commonly known products you may find around your house or yard are paint, batteries, antifreeze, oil, flammables, poisons, corrosives, adhesives, grease or tar, gasoline/kerosene, pesticides, fertilizers, devices containing mercury, pool or lab chemicals.

So, why should we care about the proper disposal of these products? Product Care, a stewardship organization for HHW, knows that the improper care of HHW can lead to contamination of soil and water, along with having a negative impact on wildlife health and the humans' respiratory ability. When we dispose of HHW down the drain or into the

garbage, it can lead to negative environmental effects and impact human health.

Product Care indicates some tips for safe handling and storage of HHW.

1. Read labels and follow the instructions.
2. Store chemicals in their original containers.
3. Keep products in a safe and dry location.
4. Minimize usage.
  - Borrow products to minimize the usage of hazardous products or buy safer alternatives to help decrease environmental impact.

Where do these items go after being dropped off at collection facilities? The material can be used for various purposes including energy recovery, incineration, treatment or go into a secure landfill when it cannot be recycled. Some items have material recovered or recycled such as oil, paint, and batteries which lessens the need for natural resources.

If there are any questions relating to these products or where to dispose of them, you can contact 250-377-2596 or visit the TNRD website at [tnrd.ca/household-hazardous-waste-disposal/](http://tnrd.ca/household-hazardous-waste-disposal/)

# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY NOW OPEN!



**CORROSIVE**  
Corrosive wastes are acids or bases that are capable of corroding metal containers.



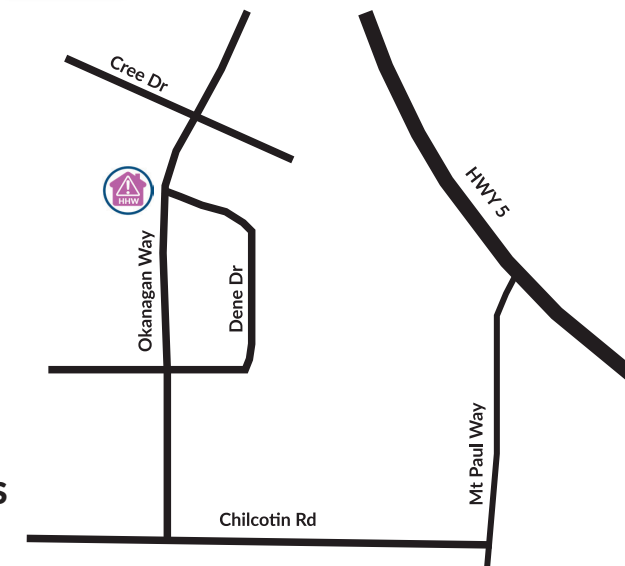
**FLAMMABLE**  
Flammable wastes can create fires under certain conditions and are spontaneously combustible.



**COMPRESSED GAS**  
Compressed gases such as aerosol containers or reactive wastes can cause explosions, toxic fumes, gases or vapours when heated, compressed or mixed with water.



**POISONOUS**  
Poison or toxic wastes such as cleaning fluids, pesticides and medicines can be poisonous or lethal, even in small quantities, to adults, children and pets.



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Tuesday through Saturday  
8:30am - 4:30pm

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