

Household Hazardous Waste



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- Is yours Hazardous?

A number of everyday items and products contain hazardous materials which can harm the environment and human health if they are not disposed of correctly.

Some examples of everyday items and products that contain hazardous components are shown below:-

Household Products

- Paint thinners, gloss paints
- Cleaners – oven cleaners, stain removers, bleaches, disinfectants
- Some household batteries
- Gas bottles
- Cement bonded asbestos



Electrical products

- Fridges/freezers
- Fluorescent tubes and bulbs
- TVs and monitors



Garden products

- Wood preservatives
- Pesticides – weed killers, insecticides, fertilisers, lawn/pond treatments









Motor products

- Brake fluid
- Petrol/diesel
- Used engine oil
- Antifreeze
- Lead acid batteries



How do I identify if any of my waste is Hazardous

Most hazardous chemicals are labelled with the orange and black symbols

Risk Phrase	Hazard Symbol	Description of hazard
Very toxic (T+) Toxic (T)		Small quantities may cause death or serious damage to health when inhaled, swallowed, or absorbed via the skin
Harmful (Xn) Irritant (Xi)		May cause death or damage to health when inhaled, swallowed, or absorbed via the skin Non-corrosive substances which, in contact with skin or mucous membranes, will cause inflammation
Corrosive (C)		Will seriously damage or destroy living tissue on contact
Dangerous for the environment (N)		Highly toxic for aquatic organisms, toxic for fauna or dangerous to the ozone layer
Oxidising (O)		May cause or greatly assist fire Mixtures with combustible materials may be explosive
Extremely flammable (F+) Highly flammable (F)		Extremely flammable materials can be ignited by brief contact with an energy source, even at temperatures below 0°C Highly flammable materials can be ignited at temperatures below 21°C

Where can I dispose of hazardous waste safely?

- Take it to one of the permanent household waste recycling sites
- Dedicated containers / storage areas are provided for the separate collection of hazardous materials. These are then taken away for specialist treatment and recycling.
- On arrival, please contact a member of staff who will provide assistance.
- Do not leave hazardous items unattended on site.
- Check labels for any other advice on disposal of the product or empty packaging

Where can I dispose of Asbestos?

- Only small amounts of cement bonded asbestos will be accepted at selected Household Waste Recycling Sites (200kg per visit).
- The material must be double wrapped in clear thick polythene such as Visqueen and sealed with tape.
- Please contact the site to check there is available container space.
- The following sites can accept asbestos; Burgess Hill, Chichester, Crawley and Shoreham.

How should I handle hazardous waste?

- Always leave hazardous materials in their original containers.
- Store in a cool, dry place, out of reach of children or pets.
- Never pour hazardous liquids down the sink or drain.
- Never mix chemicals together.

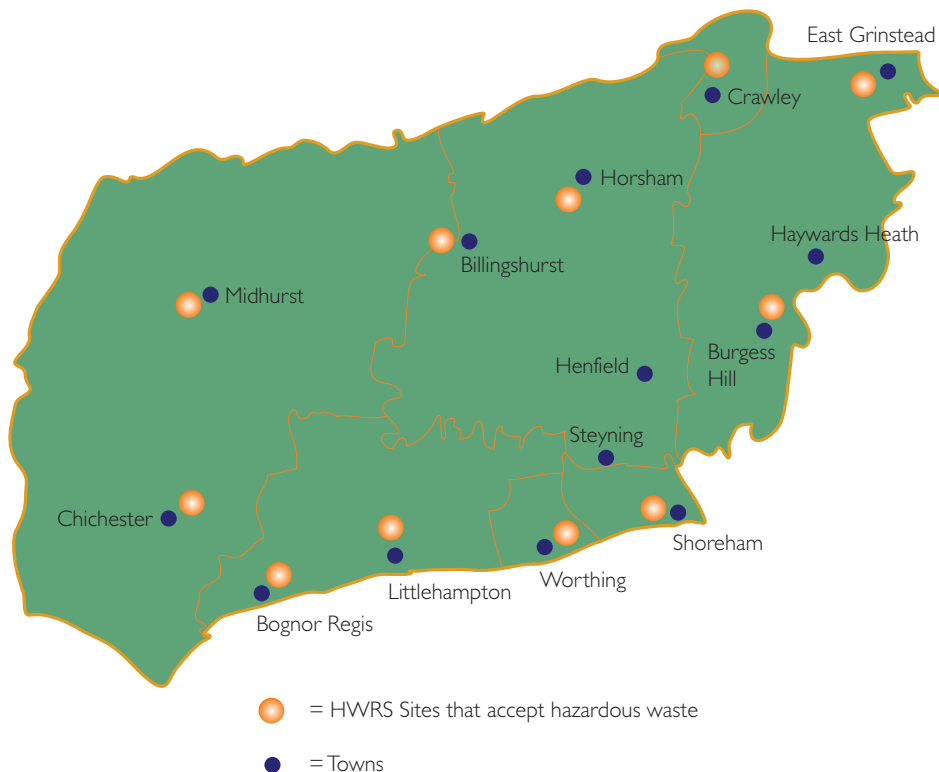
What if you produce hazardous waste from a commercial business?

- Hazardous waste arising from, or in the process of, a commercial business cannot be accepted at a Household Waste Recycling Site.
- For further advice please request a copy of our leaflet - Waste and Recycling Disposal Facilities in the West Sussex Area. Tel: 01243 642106, or alternatively please contact our website, details can be found on the last page of this leaflet.
- Alternatively contact the Environment Agency on **08708 506 506**.

What should I do with ammunition, explosives or marine flares?

Please contact your local police station. Do not take them to the Household Waste Recycling Site as they may pose a significant health and safety risk to staff and customers.

Where can I take my household hazardous waste?



HWRS	Address	Telephone
Billingshurst	Newbridge Road, Billingshurst RH14 9HY	01403 785614
Bognor Regis	Shripney Road, Bognor Regis PO22 9PA	01243 827457
Burgess Hill*	Fairbridge Way, Burgess Hill RH15 8AR	01444 243041
Chichester*	Coach Road, Westhampnet PO18 0NS	01243 787300
Crawley*	Metcalfe Way, Crawley RH11 7XN	01293 545861
East Grinstead	Imberhome Lane, East Grinstead RH19 1TZ	01342 326475
Horsham	Hopoast, Worthing Road, Horsham RH13 0AR	01403 732497
Littlehampton	Mill Lane, Littlehampton BN17 7PH	01903 713269
Midhurst	Bepton Road, Midhurst GU29 9QX	01730 817949
Shoreham*	Brighton Road, Shoreham BN43 6RJ	01273 454081
Worthing	Decoy Farm, Worthing BN14 8NW	01903 210288

*Household Waste Recycling Sites that accept Asbestos, the other sites cannot accept it.

Where can I get more information?

For further advice on Household Hazardous Waste please contact the numbers below:

Wastes Management Services, West Sussex County Council

Tel: 01243 642106

Email: wastes.management@westsussex.gov.uk

Website: www.westsussex.gov.uk

Viridor Waste Management

Site Operator – Household Waste Recycling Sites

Tel: 01903 711351

The National Household Hazardous Waste Forum

www.nhhwf.org.uk

Opening hours:

Summer months (1st April - 30th September)

Monday - Friday: 8am – 7pm

Weekends and bank hols: 9am – 7pm

Winter months (1st October - 31st March)

Monday - Friday: 8am – 5pm

Weekends and bank hols: 9am – 5pm

East Grinstead closes at 5pm all year round.

Midhurst opening hours: 8am – 5pm winter and summer, closed Sundays.

All sites are closed on 25th and 26th December.



If this information is needed in an alternative format please contact us and we will try and meet your needs.
Call 01243 777456

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