

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)

Many products found in your home are potentially hazardous substances. They can poison, corrode, explode, or ignite when handled improperly. When discarded in the trash, these substances are considered household hazardous waste that can threaten human and environmental health. City of Fairfield / Suisun City and Unincorporated Solano County residents had a FREE household hazardous waste collection program.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program

The Household Hazardous waste program is held every second and fourth Saturday of the month by appointment only.

At your appointed day and time, please visit our facility located at 2901 Industrial Ct., Fairfield, CA and follow the orange and black signs to the household hazardous waste unloading area. Once there, you will wait while we unload your vehicle for you.

To schedule an appointment, please call (707) 437-8971 and leave a message including your name, address, phone number and the type of material you would like to drop off. We will return your call within two business days.

Acceptable Materials

Product Type	Example
Paint	Oil and latex paints, stains, varnishes, solvents, thinners, adhesives
Automotive items	Motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze, batteries
Household cleaners and sprays	Oven cleaners, drain cleaners, bleach, waxes, polishes
Garden items	Pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, ant trap poison, gopher bait
Other chemicals	Pool chemicals, photographic chemical, flammable liquids and gases, aerosol cans, roofing tar, roofing products
Needles	Needles must be placed in a clear rigid enclosed container with the lid taped closed to prevent spilling.
Fluorescent tubes	Tubes, bulbs and other mercury-containing lamps.
Batteries	AA, AAA,. C and D cells and button batteries
Mercury Gauges	Barometers, manometers, old thermostats

This represents a partial list of household hazardous waste. For more information, please contact Solano Garbage Company at (707) 437-8971.

Restrictions

No single container larger than five (5) gallons will be accepted. The maximum allowable quantity is 15 gallons or 125 pounds per trip.



BOPA Collection Facility

City of Fairfield, Suisun City, and Unincorporated Solano County residents can take their **B**atteries, **O**il (motor & cooking), **P**aint (latex), **A**nti-freeze to the BOPA collection facility.

2901 Industrial Ct. Fairfield, CA

Phone: (707) 437-8900

BOPA drop-off hours:

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Closed from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

(No buyback accepted, BOPA only)

Closed Sunday and all major holidays

Proof of residency is required.

Restrictions

The maximum allowable quantity is five (5) gallons of latex paint, five (5) gallons of motor oil, three (3) pounds of household batteries, and three (3) car batteries per person per month. Oil and anti-freeze must be in a sealed clear container.

Motor Oil Curbside Collection

The City of Fairfield, Suisun City and Unincorporated Solano County residents have free used motor oil and oil filters curbside collection as part of the recycling curbside program. A special container is required for used motor oil and will be provided upon request. Please call us at (707) 437-8900 to request a jug or for more information.

Electronic Waste Recycling

E-waste is a loosely defined term referring to electronics that are at the end of their useful life (i.e. broken) or no longer wanted. Almost anything with a cord or wall plug is classified as e-waste, including cords and wires themselves. Household appliances include microwaves, refrigerators, stoves & washing machines. E-waste and household appliances are illegal to discard in the household trash or recycling because they contain hazardous materials like lead, arsenic and mercury. You must take these items to state-licensed facilities. Solano Recycles will accept electronic waste from residents of Fairfield, Suisun City and Unincorporated Solano County.

Solano Recycles

2901 Industrial Ct. Fairfield, CA

Phone: (707) 437-8900

Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Closed from 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.

Saturday and Sunday: Closed

It is strictly the responsibility of the customer to unload and deliver electronic waste to our facility. Our employees will not be responsible for assisting any customer with material beyond their physical capability to move it. Handicap/disabled persons with proper placard will be

assisted upon request only. Solano Recycles reserves the right to reject any item for any reason.

All batteries must be removed from electronic devices.

Acceptable Electronic Waste Items:

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Televisions • Computer monitors • DVD players • Computer towers (CPU's) • Hard Drives • VCRs • Fax machines (regular desktop only) • Laptops 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephones • Computer cables and cords • Printers • Cell phones (remove batteries) • Microwave ovens • Mice • Radios (no speakers) • Shredders (regular household size only)
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Sharps Disposal (needles and lancets)

As of September 1, 2008, it became illegal to dispose of sharps (needles and lancets) in the household garbage or recycling. All sharps (both from humans and animals) must be placed in a medical sharps container and taken to an official drop-off location. Sharps containers are affordable and widely available at local drug stores.

Please do not place SHARPS in recycling or trash containers.

Needle disposal is accepted at the following locations:

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility
 Solano Garbage 2901 Industrial Court
 Fairfield, CA
 Phone: (707) 437-8971
 Hours: Second and fourth Saturday of each month. Appointment is required.

Northbay Medical Center
(Drop box located at the Emergency Department entrance)
 1200 B. Gale Wilson Blvd, Fairfield, CA
 Phone: (707) 646-5000
 Hours: 24 hours

Sutter Regional Medical Center
(Drop box located at the laboratory in Medical Office Building II)
 2720 Low Court, Fairfield CA
 Phone: (707) 434-2039
 Hours: Monday-Friday: 7:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Pharmaceutical Disposal

In 2002, the U.S. Geological Survey sampled streams in 30 states. 80 percent of the sampled streams had measurable concentrations of prescription and nonprescription drugs, steroids, and reproductive hormones. Wastewater treatment facilities are not equipped to remove all traces of pharmaceutical chemicals. If you flush your drugs, a portion of those contaminants will reach local waters and this may be harmful to aquatic life.

Please do not flush your pharmaceuticals. If you would like to know when the next Solano County prescription take back event will be please visit the [Solano County Website](#).

If you are unable to wait until the next prescription take back event, please do the following:

- Take medications out of original containers. Remove prescription information from containers before discarding.
- Crush pills or dissolve them in water to prevent children or pets from accessing them. Dilute liquid medications. Mix the medications with coffee grounds or kitty litter.
- Seal in a plastic bag or empty container.
- Throw in the garbage.
- If there are syringes or needles with the medication do not throw them in the garbage; please visit the sharps page for information on proper disposal.
- Do not dispose of syringes or needles in pharmaceutical boxes.