

Got Paint? Dispose of it Properly

Have you recently purchased too much paint for a home improvement project or have you finally gotten around to cleaning out the garage or basement? If you have extra paint, we can help. Here are a few tips for the proper disposal of unwanted paints.

Latex Paint Disposal

Latex paint is not hazardous when dried and can be disposed of with the regular trash:

- Pour the paint into an absorbent material such as shredded newspaper or kitty litter.
- Allow it to completely dry.
- Dispose of the dried paint in the regular trash.
- Empty, clean, dry paint containers can be recycled.

Oil-based Paint Disposal

Oil-based paints, stains and varnishes are hazardous and **should not** be disposed of in the regular trash.

- Contact the Goffstown Transfer Station 497-4824 or go the Town Web site at www.goffstown.com/dpw/Pre-Reg_form.pdf for a Household Hazardous Waste registration form.
- Complete the form and drop off or mail to the Transfer Station or e-mail cwillmott@ci.goffstown.nh.us.
- You will be contacted within a day or two to

set up a time that is mutually agreed upon for the delivery of your HHW.

Other Hazardous Wastes

We can also handle expired pool chemicals, cleaners, old gasoline, pesticides and other chemical waste through this program.

*Information taken from the
N.H. Department Of Environmental Services
Visit their Household Hazardous Waste Web site
at: www.des.state.nh.us/hhw*

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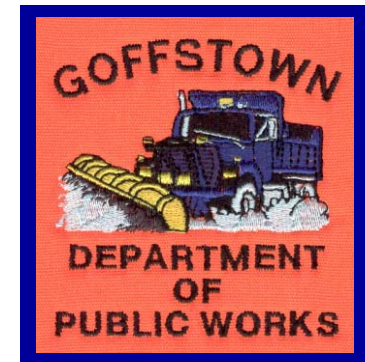
Homeowners can keep common pollutants off the ground and out of stormwater. Here are a few tips, supplied by the EPA, for when you are working with your vehicles:

- Use a commercial car wash or wash your car on a lawn or other unpaved surface to minimize the amount of dirty water flowing into the storm drain.
- Check your car, boat, motorcycle, and other machinery and equipment for leaks and spills. Make repairs as soon as possible. Clean up spilled fluids with an absorbent material like kitty litter or sand. Properly dispose of the absorbent material.
- Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at the Goffstown Transfer Station, 497-4824.

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It is the mission of the Goffstown Public Works Department to provide the most efficient, cost-effective and highest-quality service possible to the citizens of Goffstown.



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New Recycling Contract

As of January 1, the Town sends all of the recyclables collected at the curb to a new recycling facility. The facility is in Haverhill, Mass., and is operated by Integrated Paper Recyclers (IPR). The list of recyclable items will remain the same. IPR will pick up the recycled materials from the Goffstown Transfer Station at no charge. Nor will there be any charge for the processing of the recyclables. Unlike our previous recycling contract, IPR will share some of the revenue generated by the processing of the recyclables with the Town. The new contract guarantees an annual savings of about \$100,000 in solid waste processing costs at the current rate of recycling. For every 10% increase in the recycling rate, the Town will save an additional \$55,000 to \$60,000 per year over previous contract terms. Currently, residents are recycling about 30% of what is considered household trash, and a 40% recycling rate is achievable.

Please continue to “Think Recycling

First” and use the “Big Blue” recycling cart when disposing of household waste. The system is easy: all recyclables can be placed in “Big Blue” together, no separation required. If you must bag items, we ask that clear bags be used for better quality control at the Transfer Station.

Items that are easily distinguished as recyclable are paper, magazines, junk mail, newspaper, box board, cereal boxes, egg cartons, cardboard, all plastic food and beverage containers and packaging, glass, metal food and beverage containers, and aluminum foil/containers.

Please keep the following items out of “Big Blue”: food waste, soiled diapers, used tissue paper, dryer lint, clothing, shoes, bedding, electronics, yard waste, used kitty litter, water hose, household hazardous waste and bulky scrap metal items. And remember, anything that you put in “Big Blue” will be re-handled by a real person at some point on its way to be recycled. If something is dirty enough that you don’t want to touch it then chances are it is not recyclable.

Contact the Transfer Station at 497-4824 should you have any questions regarding recycling or trash collection service.

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2008 Transfer Station Holiday Schedule

Holiday	Date	Transfer Station Closed	Trash/Recycling Pickup
President's Day	Monday, Feb. 18	Saturday, Feb. 16	On schedule
Memorial Day	Monday, May 26	Tuesday, May 27	On schedule
Independence Day	Friday, July 4	Friday, July 4	One day late after holiday
Labor Day	Monday, Sept. 1	Saturday, Aug. 30	On schedule
Columbus day	Monday, Oct. 13	Tuesday, Oct. 14	On schedule
Veteran's Day	Tuesday, Nov. 11	Tuesday, Nov. 11	One day late after holiday
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, Nov. 27	At noon Nov. 26, all day Nov. 27	One day late after holiday
Christmas	Thursday, Dec. 25	Thursday, Dec. 25	One day late after holiday
New Year's	Tuesday, Jan. 1	Tuesday, Jan. 1	One day late after holiday

Normal Hours of Operation: Tuesday through Saturday, 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Transfer Station Phone Number: 497-4824