

Do Evil Spirits Lurk in Your Home or Business?

MassToss Household & Small Business Hazardous Waste Collection

~ Pre-register to receive notice of next collection ~

Hazardous items collected

Household:

Member town: fee \$40 for up to 10 gal. or 10 lbs, \$60 for up to 25 gal. or 25 lbs

Business: pre-register and bring your VSQG registration; fees based on items & volume; do not transport more than 55 gals per trip.

From the Workbench:

- ✓ Oil Based Paint
- ✓ Latex Paint**
- ✓ Stains & Varnishes
- ✓ Wood Preservatives
- ✓ Paint Strippers/Thinners
- ✓ Solvent Adhesives
- ✓ Lighter Fluid

From the Yard/Grounds:

- ✓ Poisons, Insecticides, Fungicides
- ✓ Chemical Fertilizers
- ✓ Weed Killers
- ✓ Moth Balls
- ✓ Flea Control Products

From the House/Building:

- ✓ Rubber Cement & Airplane Glue
- ✓ Fiberglass Resins
- ✓ Photo Chemicals
- ✓ Chemistry Sets
- ✓ Floor & Metal Polish
- ✓ Oven Cleaner



- ✓ Drain & Toilet Cleaner
- ✓ Rug & Upholstery Cleaner
- ✓ Hobby Supplies, Artist Supplies

From the Garage:

- ✓ Fuels/Gasoline/Kerosene
- ✓ Motor Oil
- ✓ Engine Degreaser
- ✓ Brake Fluid/Carburetor Cleaner
- ✓ Transmission Fluid
- ✓ Car Wax, Polishes
- ✓ Driveway Sealer
- ✓ Roofing Tar
- ✓ Swimming Pool Chemicals

Safely Transport Hazardous Materials!

- Leave materials in original containers.
- Tighten caps and lids.
- Sort and pack separately: oil paint, pesticides, & household cleaners
- Pack containers in sturdy upright boxes.
- NEVER MIX CHEMICALS.
- Never smoke while handling hazardous items

DATE: To be announced soon

PLACE: Devens

WHO:

FEE: varies depending on volume & items

Simple Pre-registration: www.MassToss.com
or call Tessa at 978-660-6130

What to do with odd items

- **Latex Paint- you can DRY out then throw out
- Wood – give away, list on Groton Free Stuff: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/GrotonFreeStuff/>
- Smoke Detectors- -see if manufacturer will recycle; can be thrown out
- Alkaline batteries- - AAA to D throw out
- Ammunition, Fireworks, Explosives- -give to the police
- Fire Extinguishers- have them refilled
- Prescription Medicines/Syringes-- DO NOT PUT DOWN THE DRAIN, Get a medical container, call the board of health, do not put in recycling.



PAINT TIP

Measure all surfaces to be painted. Once you have calculated the total square feet of paint required, divide this total by 400 (number of square feet one gallon of paint will cover).

How to reduce exposure:

- Read labels- before purchasing
- Read directions
- Prepare for spills
- Wear gloves
- Use salad oil to clean hands
- Read storage directions
- Use up
- Donate to friends, community organizations
- Dispose at special collections
- Never dump on ground

Don't stockpile hazardous products.

Protect Yourself
Your children,
Your employees
Your water supply
Our firefighters



Mercury - some common items contain mercury - handle carefully: glass thermometers, old thermostats, compact fluorescent bulbs and tubes.

- Never throw in trash or recycling bin.
- Never pour mercury down the drain.
- Store in a safe place, such as an unbreakable plastic container. If you break something with mercury in it call 1-866-9MERCURY 1-866-963-7287 or www.keepmercuryfromrising.org

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WHERE TO DISPOSE OF PROPERLY

1. Register at www.MassToss.com for North Central Mass events:

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A Regional Permanent Site Is Planned with expanded days of service. More info soon!

2. **Permanent Locations:**

- ✓ Lexington
<http://ci.lexington.ma.us/DPW/hhhwfacility.cfm>
- ✓ Clean Harbors in Braintree 781-380-7177

3. Or Call your Board of Health

Find out where to take all your recyclables:
www.Cleanup.org, or call 1-800-cleanup

The average household throws 15.5 pounds of hazardous materials into the trash each year.

Read labels and look for signal words:

Poison, Danger, Warning or Caution

These federally mandated words indicate the degree of immediate hazard posed by the product.

Poison- the product is highly toxic

Danger- indicates that a product is extremely hazardous either because it is poisonous, flammable or corrosive

Warning or caution- indicates products that are somewhat less hazardous

