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Orange County Fire Authority

# Household Hazardous Waste

**April 24 is  
Earth Day**



## **MOST DANGEROUS POISONS**

- Medicines, iron pills
- Cleaning products that can cause burns such as drain openers, toilet bowl cleaner, oven cleaner, rust removal, bleach, pool supplies



- Antifreeze
- Windshield washer fluid
- Hydrocarbons-- furniture polish, lighter fluid, lamp oil, kerosene, turpentine, paint thinner
- Carbon monoxide
- Pesticides, fertilizers
- Mushrooms

**For more information:**

[www.oilandfills.com](http://www.oilandfills.com)  
[www.ciwmb.ca.gov](http://www.ciwmb.ca.gov)  
[www.ochealthinfo.com](http://www.ochealthinfo.com)  
[www.ocsd.com](http://www.ocsd.com)  
[www.dhs.ca.gov](http://www.dhs.ca.gov)

You can prevent damage to the environment and reduce the risk of accidental poisoning by removing unnecessary household hazardous materials and medicines from the home.



## **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION CENTERS**

*Free of Charge for Orange County Residents*

### Collection Center Locations

ANAHEIM - 1071 N. Blue Gum Street  
HUNTINGTON BEACH - 17121 Nichols Street  
SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO - 32250 La Pata (Prima Deshecha)  
IRVINE - 6411 Oak Canyon

### Hours of Operation

Tuesday through Saturday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Centers are closed on rainy days

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE HOTLINE (714) 834-6752**

**IWMD Website: [www.oilandfills.com](http://www.oilandfills.com)**

Materials accepted: Paint and paint products, automotive products, auto and furniture polish, household cleaners, pesticides and herbicides, hobby and pool supplies, wood preservatives, batteries and medicines.

**\*Use caution when transporting hazardous waste. A maximum of 15 gallons or 125 pounds may be brought in original containers with lids (except motor oil & antifreeze).**

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### WHAT TO DO IF A POISONING OCCURS

#### STAY CALM!

Immediately call  
poison control at  
**1-800-222-1222** and  
have the following  
information ready:

- ♦ Child's condition,  
age and weight
- ♦ Product bottles  
or containers
- ♦ Time of poisoning
- ♦ Your name and  
telephone  
number
- ♦ Follow  
instructions from  
the poison control  
center.

#### For more information:

[www.calpoison.org](http://www.calpoison.org)  
[www.safekids.org](http://www.safekids.org)  
[www.cpsc.gov](http://www.cpsc.gov)  
[www.poisonprevention.org](http://www.poisonprevention.org)  
[www.aapcc.org](http://www.aapcc.org)

## DISPOSING HOUSEHOLD MEDICINES AND SHARPS

### MEDICINES

- Most medicines can be disposed of in your regular trash.
- **DO NOT** dispose medicine in sinks or toilets.



### MEDICAL "SHARPS WASTE"

**Call the Medical Waste Division at (714) 433-6000** to find medical facilities that are willing to accept home generated sharps.



#### Alternative Disposal Method:

- Place sharps in a rigid, leak-proof container with a secure lid such as plastic bleach or laundry containers.
- **Do not** use soda bottles or milk jugs.
- When the container is full, prior to disposal, disinfect the contents by adding a small amount of 10% bleach solution to the container. Tightly seal the lid and shake the container to ensure all the contents are covered.
- Pour the bleach into your sink or toilet.
- It is recommended that you solidify the contents with a mixture of plaster of paris, mortar, cement or some other material.
- Tightly close the lid and tape the lid to the container.
- Dispose of container into the regular trash (**not** the recycle bin).