

Hazardous Waste Management in Schools

The Northeast Kingdom Waste Management District can assist your school community with managing hazardous materials.

Schools are required to follow proper procedure when handling, storing, or disposing of hazardous wastes. Hazardous Wastes cannot be poured down the drain or disposed in the trash.

Resources:

The NEK Waste Management District and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation can assist your school in assessing inventory and disposal options for Hazardous Wastes generated at your school.

1. NEKWMD's Outreach Coordinator provides free assistance to help schools reduce and dispose of Hazardous Waste. (802) 626-3532.
2. Vermont DEC Environmental Assistance Office provides free assistance with Chemical Hygiene Plans, inventory, storage, lab safety, and disposal. (800) 974-9559 • www.dec.vermont.gov/environmental-assistance
3. Vermont Hazardous Waste management regulations can be found at www.dec.vermont.gov.waste-management/hazardous/regulations
4. Vermont Environmentally Preferable Purchasing Program has resources on purchasing environmentally-sound products that are safe for school use. • www.bgs.vermont.gov/purchasing/epp
5. Hazardous Determination Fact Sheet can guide you through determining whether materials in your inventory are classified as hazardous and require proper disposal protocols. • www.dec.vermont.gov/waste-management/hazardous/resources/environmental-fact-sheets

Accepted Hazardous Wastes

CLEANING ITEMS

- AEROSOLS
- AIR FRESHENERS
- AMMONIA
- ARTS & CRAFTS SUPPLIES
- BLEACH
- CLEANERS (INCLUDES: DRAIN, OVEN, FLOOR, WINDOW, TOILET, RUG, ETC.)
- DISINFECTANTS
- METAL & FURNITURE POLISH
- MOTHBALLS
- MERCURY THERMOSTATS
- NAIL POLISH REMOVER
- SPOT & STAIN REMOVERS

BATTERIES

- NI-CD, LITHIUM, Mi-MH, AND BUTTON CELL BATTERIES
- ALKALINE BATTERIES

GARDEN SUPPLIES

- CREOSOTE
- DIOXINS
- FERTILIZERS
- FLEA KILLERS
- FUNGICIDES
- HERBICIDES
- INSECTICIDES
- PESTICIDES
- MURIATIC ACID
- NO-PEST STRIPS
- RODENT KILLERS

GARAGE & ART SUPPLIES

- ANTIFREEZE
- BRAKE FLUID
- CORROSIVES
- ENGINE DEGREASERS
- FLUORESCENT LIGHT BULBS
- GASOLINE & DRY GAS
- KEROSENE
- LEAD-ACID BATTERIES
- LIGHTER FLUID
- OIL-BASED PAINT
- LATEX-BASED PAINT
- PAINT THINNER
- PROPANE CYLINDERS
- SEALANTS
- STAINS & STRIPPERS
- POOL CHEMICALS
- TRANSMISSION FLUID
- WOOD PRESERVATIVES
- USED MOTOR OIL & FILTERS

LAB CHEMICALS

PLEASE CONTACT THE WASTE DISTRICT TO INQUIRE ABOUT LAB CHEMICAL DISPOSAL.

Call the NEKWMD if you have items you cannot identify or items not on this list. 802-626-3532 or 800-734-4602 or www.nekwmd.org