

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAMS

American households generate approximately 1.6 million tons of waste per year including pesticides and poisons. Improper disposal of hazardous waste items can pollute our drinking water and contaminate waste treatment systems. By placing chemical waste into the household trash can also cause injury to sanitation workers.

Household hazardous waste items include but are not limited to the following:

- Paint, Thinners, Strippers
- Gasoline, Antifreeze, used oil and filters
- Batteries (household and auto)
- Lawn and Pool chemicals
- Propane Cylinders, Aerosol Cans
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Used Sharps Containers (hypodermic needles)

Tips for handling household hazardous products:

- Keep hazardous products away from children, pets, and food products
- Keep waste in original containers when possible
- Use containers that will seal
- Do not store hazardous waste in a vehicle for extended periods
- Transport hazardous waste in the rear of the vehicle
- Properly dispose of items

Villages Residents residing in **Lake County** may take their household hazardous waste items to the Hazardous Waste Center at 13130 County Landfill Rd., County Rd 561 Tavares. Some items are accepted at Mobile Unit Events. Please go to the Lake County web site at www.lakecountyfl.gov for the dates and locations of the Mobile Unit Events.

Villages Residents living in **Marion County** may utilize the Baseline Landfill at no charge or some items may be taken to the nearest Recycling Center located in Weirsdale at 13535 SE 164th Street, just off Hwy 42. Please check the Marion County website at www.marioncountyfl.org for acceptable items and operation hours for the Recycling Center and Landfill.

Villages Residents living in **Sumter County** can utilize the Sumter County program called Amnesty Days for disposing of Household Hazardous Waste. Please contact Sumter County at 793-0240 for more information on the Amnesty Days program schedule or for more information on acceptable items for disposal.