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Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Information

WASTE OIL

If you recycle *just two gallons* of used oil, it can generate enough electricity to run the average household for almost 24 hours. Recycling keeps used motor oil from rivers, streams, or lakes. It also keeps oil out of our ground water supplies that can affect our drinking water.

Recycling Agencies:

- **Checker Auto Parts**, 1769 McCulloch Blvd. N., 855-6094
  - No charge (up to five gallons per visit).
- **AutoZone**, 241 Lake Havasu Ave. S., 680-7601
  - No charge (up to five gallons per visit).
- **Allied Waste Services**, 3251 Chenoweth Dr. E., 855-9441
  - Two gallons of non-contaminated waste oil per month if it is in a clear container. The top must be either screwed on tightly or taped on securely if it is a press-on cap. It can then be placed in the blue recycle bin, which may be obtained from Allied Waste Services.

ANTIFREEZE

Antifreeze containing ethylene glycol (EG) is poisonous and will kill children, pets, and wildlife that may be attracted to its sweet odor and taste. Antifreeze made with propylene glycol (PG) is significantly less toxic than ordinary ethylene glycol antifreeze, though by no means safe to drink. PG has an unpleasant taste that discourages further sampling by thirsty animals and toddlers.

Never discharge used antifreeze into streams or other surface waters, storm sewer systems, septic systems, or onto the ground.

When changing your antifreeze, any spills should be diluted with large amounts of water. It is recommended that used antifreeze be stored in clear containers that are clearly marked or labeled with the words "used antifreeze."

Recycling Agencies:

- Auto repair shops that regularly deal with antifreeze will accept used antifreeze from the public.
- **Any Radiator**, 1546 Countryshire Ave., 453-7001 (8am-5pm M-F)
  - No fee or restrictions.
- **Mearacle Recycling**, 2483 Constellation Dr., 486-8007
  - Will take used antifreeze from businesses only.

GASOLINE

Use only approved gasoline storage containers with a proper spout for pouring. Be certain to keep a closed cap on your gasoline container.

Buy and use fuel in the season purchased. Store no more than ten gallons. Store gasoline in an approved container. Do not store gasoline in a car trunk. There is a threat of explosion from heat and impact. Store gasoline in a cool, dry place. Do not store gasoline in your basement or near any ignition sources.

Store at ground level, not on a shelf. This will minimize the danger of falling and spilling. If a spill happens, use kitty litter, saw dust or an absorbent towel to soak up the spill and dispose of it properly. When fueling power mowers, boats, and all other recreational equipment, always use a funnel and/or spout to prevent spilling or splashing.

Dispose properly: Do not dispose of gasoline down the drain, into surface water, onto the ground, or in the trash. Transport your old gas in an approved gasoline container.

PAINT

Simply letting the paint dry will allow the paint to be disposed of as regular garbage. The drying process can be accelerated by removing the paint can lid. Empty paint cans (a little left in the bottom is ok as long as it is hardened) can be thrown out.

Recycling Agencies:

- **St. Vincent**, 761 Lake Havasu Ave. N., 453-1399
  - Will take paint, stain and paint thinner that has not been opened.
- **Salvation Army**, 2030 McCulloch Blvd. N., 505-3933
  - Paint must be received before 3pm.
- **Keep Havasu Beautiful Graffiti Program**
  - Get caller's information and forward to contact person.
  - Will need to schedule pick up and/or disposal need.
  - Will take nothing less than 5 gallon pails, no gallon pails will be accepted.

PROPANE BOTTLE DISPOSAL

Barbecue or RV Cylinders: Must be tested and recertified 12 years after the manufacture date. Service station staff cannot legally fill an LP cylinder if it has an expired certification date. You can check with your local distributor for a cylinder exchange program near you.

1-Pound Size: (Used for camping equipment, etc.) Once all the contents have been expelled put in the household trash.

Recycling Agencies:

- **Amerigas**, 1101 Lake Havasu Ave. N., 453-7001 (7am-4pm M-F)
  - No fee.
  - Make arrangements with the technician before dropping off tanks.
  - No small 1-lb. size canisters.

BATTERIES

Vehicle batteries can be exchanged at the place of purchase or call the Fire Department for names of businesses who participate in the exchange program.

Household batteries, such as NI-CD, should be recycled and properly disposed.

Lead sealed batteries, commonly found in security systems, emergency lighting, computer systems, etc., should also be recycled and disposed of properly.

Recycling Agencies:

- **All American Battery**, 1535 Paseo Del Sol, 453-1004 (8am-5pm M-F, 8am-1pm Sat.)
  - No fee or restrictions, any batteries.
- **The Home Depot**, 100 Centre Blvd., 764-5111
  - Only small tool batteries will be accepted.
- **Lowe's of Lake Havasu**, 4000 Hwy 95 N., 764-2120
  - Will accept rechargeable batteries.

TIRES

Tires cannot be disposed of in the regular trash, but can be exchanged at the time new ones are purchased. Used tires can be discarded at local tire shops for a minimum disposal fee.

Recycling Agencies:

- **Tire Mart**, 1850 Industrial Blvd., 680-9555 (7:30am-5:30pm M-F, 8am-3pm Sat.)
  - $2 per tire.
  - $5 for labor if tire needs to be removed from the wheel.
  - Owner can keep or leave wheel.
  - Tires and wheels only.

FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Once all the contents have been expelled it may be discarded into the trash or taken to any fire extinguisher company in Lake Havasu City for proper disposal.

Recycling Agencies:

- **Arizona West Fire & Safety**, 505-0200 (8am-5pm M-F)
  - Mobil service only, must be picked up.
  - No fee or restrictions.

FLARES

Place in a bucket of water and soak. Throw in trash.

OXYGEN TANKS

Recycling Agencies:

- **A & B Supply**, 1090 Metric Dr., 854-6151 (5am-5pm M-F, 7am-4pm Sat.)
  - No fee or restrictions.
  - Any oxygen, flammable, non-flammable or compressed gas tank or cylinder.

FREON/REFRIGERANTS

Recycling Agencies:

- **City Maytag**, 911 Lake Havasu Ave. N., 855-1188 (9am-4pm M-F, 9am-1pm Sat.)
  - A technician on site must certify and remove it from the appliance.
  - NO REMOVED CANISTERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!
  - There is a $40 charge to evacuate refrigerant and another $10 fee to dispose of the appliance if the owner doesn't dispose of it themselves.
- **Allied Waste**, 3251 Chenoweth Dr. E., 855-9441
  - NO REMOVED CANISTERS WILL BE ACCEPTED!
  - Each household is allotted six free bulk pick-ups each year curbside.
  - $20 fee for refrigerant evacuation.
  - Must be scheduled and paid for in advance.
  - In order to avoid a $6 fee you would have it picked up from your residence instead of hauling it to the landfill.
- **A & B Supply**, 1090 Metric Dr., 854-6151 (5am-5pm M-F, 7am-4pm Sat.)
  - No fee or restrictions.
  - Schedule appointment if refrigerant needs to be evacuated.
  - Haul your own waste.

FLORESCENT LIGHT BULBS

Recycling Agencies:

- **Lowes**, 4000 Hwy 95 N., 764-2120 (7am-4pm M-F)
  - No fee or restrictions.
  - Enter through the front of the store and advise the customer service associate that you would like to recycle your florescent light bulbs. Their bin is located in the back of the building in receiving.

SHARPS/USED NEEDLES

Residential disposal only: Discard in sealed sharps container, unbreakable bottle (such as a bleach bottle), or a metal can (such as a coffee can). Be sure to close the container and tape it securely. Container may be disposed of in regular household trash.