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# Handling Household Hazardous Waste in Suffolk County

People can be exposed to dangerous chemicals when cleaning up flooded homes and disposing of damaged household items. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, county officials, the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and local representatives have established FREE household hazardous waste drop-off locations in the Towns of Babylon, Islip, Patchogue, and **Riverhead, Suffolk County.** 

In addition, EPA contractors will be periodically driving the streets of the impacted areas collecting the hazardous waste items that you may place on the curb for pickup. Collection will also be conducted in Mastic Beach.

Please stack items in cardboard boxes or plastic tote bins for easy identification and separation.

If you have a heating oil tank (or other large source of oil/chemicals) that has leaked a significant amount of oil or chemicals into your basement or yard, report the spill to the: NYSDEC Oil and Hazardous Materials Spills Hotline at 1-800-457-7362 if you have not already done so.

### **DROP-OFF LOCATIONS** HOURS: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. everyday

Venetian Shores Park 801 Granada Parkway Lindenhurst, NY

Islip Multipurpose Recycling Facility 1155 Lincoln Avenue Holbrook, NY

Wastewater Treatment Plant 1 Hammond Street Patchogue, NY

Highway Barn 1177 Osborn Road Riverhead, NY (\*begins Tues., Nov. 13)

For more environmental information, contact: EPA: George Zachos, Regional Public Liaison 888-283-7626

# ACCEPTED ITEMS

Household Cleaners: Ammonia-based cleaners; oven and drain cleaners; floor care products; aerosol cleaners; window cleaners; furniture polish; metal polishes and cleaners; tub, tile, and toilet bowl cleaners

Paints & Related Products: Latex-, water-, and oil-based paint; turpentine paint stripper; rust remover; paint thinner; varnish

Automotive Fluids: Used motor oil and filters, gasoline and diesel fuel, kerosene, auto body repair products, windshield washer solution, antifreeze, brake and transmission fluid, metal polish and solvent

**Batteries:** Lead-acid batteries, rechargeable batteries, NiCad, NiMH and mercury batteries and car batteries

Lawn & Garden-care Products: Bug spray, fertilizer, pesticides, fungicides, herbicides and products that kill rodents

Beauty Products & Medicines: Alcohol-based lotions; isopropyl alcohol; expired or damaged medicines; nail polish and remover; hair relaxers, dyes and permanents; products in aerosol cans

#### **Fuel and Oil Tanks**

Miscellaneous: Fluorescent lights, mercury thermometers, photographic chemicals, lighter fluids, shoe polish, fiberglass epoxy, swimming pool chemicals, moth balls, glue and mercury batteries

## **NOT ACCEPTED:**

- × Ammunition and guns
- × Sharps
- × Building or construction materials
- × Infectious medical wastes
- **X** Tires or other automotive parts

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