

All of us have many products in our homes and garages that may be hazardous if used, stored or disposed of improperly. They may pose serious fire, health or environmental hazards. If they are used, stored and disposed of properly, however, they can be relatively safe.

Helpful Hints

Read the label and follow directions.

Buy only what you need.

Make sure lids and caps are tightly sealed.

Keep out of the reach of children and pets.

Post emergency contact numbers.

Do not mix hazardous wastes.

Don't store chemicals with food.

Don't store flammable liquids or gases in the home.

Keep chemicals in original containers with the original label attached.

Use alternative products.

Dispose of properly at Household Hazardous Material (HHM) facility.

Avoid aerosols, choose pump sprays.

Select water based over solvent based products when available.

Recycle (oil and batteries).

Solidify any liquid wastes. Use an absorbent material (sawdust, kitty litter, paper towels, etc.) to soak up a liquid hazardous material. Latex paint can be solidified by exposing the paint to air.

Pesticides, herbicides, oil paints, paint cleaners, oil, and transmission fluids should never be flushed into a water system or disposed of on the ground or put into household refuse.

Do not dispose of household hazardous materials, garbage, yard waste, etc. into ravines, ditches, or open drainage channels. Materials put in the storm water system will contaminate

Refuse and Yard Waste Drop Off Center

Millennium Waste has partnered with the City of Rock Island to provide a refuse and yardwaste drop-off service to Rock Island residents.

Starting on Saturday, September 5th, Rock Island residents may take refuse and yardwaste to Millennium Waste on Saturdays between 7 a.m. and 12 noon at their facility located at 13606 Knoxville Road, south of Milan.

No hazardous waste, tires or white goods will be accepted. The charge will be \$10.00 per trip (no more than the equivalent of a full-size pickup load per trip).

Special Pickups

Each residential customer receives one FREE Special Pickup per calendar year on an appointment basis. Additional Special Pickups may be scheduled for a service charge of \$25 per Special Pickup.

Special Pickups may not be used for tires, hazardous waste or appliances ("white goods"). Residents should contact 1-800-917-1969 for collection information on "white goods".

A Special Pickup may be scheduled by calling the Public Works Department at 732-2200.

For additional information, please contact the Public Works Department at 732-2200 or visit the city's website at www.rigov.org.

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Household Hazardous Materials

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Household Hazardous Material Facilities



Rock Island residents may contact the Scott County Household Hazardous Material (HHM) Collection facility at 563 381-1300 to schedule a drop off time for household hazardous waste at no cost.

Acceptable household hazardous waste includes: drain openers, oven cleaners, spot removers, paint, paint removers, stains and varnishes, epoxies and adhesives, weed killers, insecticides, etc.

The facilities are open by appointment only. Call 563-381-1300 between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, to schedule an appointment. For additional information, visit the Waste Commission of Scott County's website at www.wastecom.com.

Household Hazards

Products are considered hazardous if they have one or more of the following properties:

Flammable	Flammable Liquid
Poison	Combustible Liquid
Explosive	Toxic
Corrosive	Irritant



Read labels and follow directions carefully. Look for words such as...

DANGER WARNING CAUTION POISON

General Categories of Hazardous Products

Automotive Products

Examples: gasoline, motor oil, antifreeze, windshield wiper fluid, car wax and cleaners, car batteries, brake fluid, transmission fluid, etc.



Home Improvement Products

Examples: paint, varnish, stain, paint thinner, paint stripper, adhesives, caulk, etc.

Pesticides

Examples: insecticide, insect repellent, weed killer, rat and mouse poison, pet spray and dip, flea collars, mothballs, disinfectant, wood preservatives, etc.

Household Cleaners

Examples: furniture polish, drain opener, oven cleaner, tub, tile, and toilet bowl cleaner, spot remover, bleach, ammonia, etc.

Other

Examples: household batteries, shoe polish, cosmetics, pool chemicals, lighter fluid, prescription medicines, arts and crafts materials, charcoal lighter fluid, aerosols, compact fluorescent light bulbs, etc.



Tires, Appliances, and White Goods

The Rock Island County Waste Management Agency (RICWMA) sponsors a program that is operated by Scientific Recycling to dispose of old appliances and residentially generated tires, with rims removed, at no charge to residents.

Contact 1-800-917-1969 for disposal information and to make an appointment.

Acceptable items: refrigerators, ranges, water heaters, freezers, air conditioners, humidifiers, stoves, clothes dryers, dehumidifiers, ovens, dishwashers, water coolers, heat pumps, chillers, furnaces, boilers, and microwave ovens.



Appliances may also be referred to as White Goods.

Recycling Drop Off Center

The City of Rock Island offers a Recycling Drop Off Center at the Water Treatment Plant (the intersection of 24th Street with 16th Avenue). The Center is open twenty-four hours a day, every day, including holidays.

Customers are required to unload their own recyclable waste materials at the Center and place them in marked containers.

Curbside Recycling Program

The Curbside Recycling Program costs \$3 per month and will be applied to your city utility bill.

Items that can be recycled include plastics, tin, aluminum, cardboard, newspapers, phonebooks, brown paper bags, etc. Glass will not be collected.



The City of Rock Island will provide each subscriber a 48 gallon cart. Subscribers may pay a one-time fee of \$10 and receive a 96 gallon cart in place of the 48 gallon cart.

All recyclables will be placed in one cart and will be collected every two weeks.