

Dallas County Home Chemical Collection Center

A Free Disposal Service for Residents of:

Addison - <http://www.addisontx.gov/>

Dallas - <http://www.dallascityhall.com/>

De Soto - <http://www.ci.desoto.tx.us/>

Duncanville - <http://www.ci.duncanville.tx.us/>

Farmers Branch - <http://www.farmersbranch.info/>

Garland - <http://www.ci.garland.tx.us/>

Highland Park - <http://www.hptx.org/>

Irving - <http://www.cityofirving.org/>

Mesquite - <http://www.cityofmesquite.com/>

Richardson - <http://www.cor.net/>

Rowlett - www.ci.rowlett.tx.us/rowlett/

Sachse - <http://www.cityofsachse.com/>

Seagoville - <http://www.seagoville.us/>

Sunnyvale - <http://www.townofsunnyvale.org/>

University Park - <http://www.uptexas.org>

and unincorporated areas of Dallas County

Bring a driver's license and water bill or other utility bill as proof of residence.
Residents of all other cities pay a minimum \$95.00 waste management fee.

Location:

11234 Plano Road
Dallas, Texas 75243
214.553.1765

See MAPSCO 28-A
Or go to [Mapquest.com](http://www.mapquest.com)

Hours of Operation:

Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.
Wednesdays: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursdays: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month:
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m

Closed every Sunday, Monday, and Friday

2011 Holidays		
New Year's Holidays	Monday	January 3rd
Martin Luther King Birthday	Monday	January 17th
Memorial Day	Saturday, Monday	May 28 th & 30th
Independence Day	Monday	July 4th
Labor Day	Monday	September 5th
Thanksgiving Holiday	Thursday, Friday, Saturday	November 24 th , 25 th , 26 th
Christmas Holiday	Monday & Tuesday	December 26th & 27th

Directions:

From 635, go north one mile on Plano Rd. Look for a one-story white building with bright turquoise trim and a tall sign bearing the address and name of the collection center. It is situated on the east side of Plano Rd., half way between Miller Rd. and

Forest Lane.

You can bring:

- Chemical products for home use
- Paint and home repair products
- Lawn & garden chemicals
- Aerosol sprays
- Pool chemicals
- Craft & hobby supplies
- Cleaners & polishes
- Batteries of all kinds
- Automotive fluids & oil filters
- Fluorescent light tubes
- Computers and cell phones and electronics



Don't Bring:

- Business or commercial waste
- Containers larger than 5 gallons
- Explosives or ammunition
- Shock sensitive materials
- Smoke detectors or other
- Radioactive materials
- Medical waste
- Common trash or recyclables
- Construction debris
- TV's, Microwaves and other
- Appliances

**For a list of Electronics Recyclers, please visit
Texas Commission on Environmental Quality at www.TCEQ.com**

How to Estimate How Much Paint You Need

When preparing for a painting project, buy wisely so that you don't have to store or dispose of large quantities of leftover paint. This chart will help you determine how much to buy.

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|----|--|---|---|---|---|
| 1. | <u> </u> ft. | x | <u> </u> ft. | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | The width of all walls
added together | | Height of the wall | | Total wall surface
(Square feet) |
| 2. | <u> </u> ft. | x | <u> </u> ft. | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | Height of window | | Width of window | | Window surface |
| 3. | Repeat Line #2 for each window and add together. | | | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | | | | | Total window surface |
| 4. | <u> </u> ft. | x | <u> </u> ft. | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | Height of door | | Width of door | | Door surface |
| 5. | Repeat Line #4 for each door and add together. | | | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | | | | | Total door surface |
| 6. | <u> </u> sq. ft. | + | <u> </u> sq. ft. | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | Total from line #3 | | Total from line #5 | | Total surface not
painted |
| 7. | <u> </u> sq. ft. | - | <u> </u> sq. ft. | = | <u> </u> sq. ft. |
| | Total from line #1 | | Total from line #6 | | Total surface to be
painted |
| 8. | <u> </u> sq. ft. | ÷ | <u> </u> sq. ft. | = | <u> </u> gal. |
| | Total from line #7 | | Manufacturer Spread rate
(# sq. ft. per gal.) | | No. of gallons needed
for each coat of paint |

What to do with Leftover paint?

Using the estimate chart, you should not have that much, is any, leftover paint. If you do have paint leftover, follow these tips:

- ★ **Use it up.** For small amounts, paint the inside of a cabinet, drawer, or storage shed. Paint a shelf, the dog house, bird feeder, or flower box. As a last resort, try painting old scrap lumber which can be discarded once the paint is dry.
- ★ **Give it away.** If you have an unusable amount of excess paint, offer it to a neighbor, relative, neighborhood group, scout troop, church, or school theater group for use.
- ★ **Save it.** Oil base paint will keep for many years as long as it is well sealed. To ensure that latex paint will be useable the next time you need it for touch-ups, place a sheet of plastic wrap over the opening of the paint can. Secure the lid on top of the plastic wrap and secure it into place with a hammer. (Cushion the lid with a folded clothe to prevent damage from the hammer.) Store the can of paint upside down and protect it from freezing.

For Latex Only:

- ★ **Dry it.** Paint is only a problem waste when it is in liquid form. Pour latex paint over kitty litter in a shallow container or trench lined with plastic. The litter will help absorb the moisture in the paint. When it has dried completely, break it up and place it in the regular trash.
- ★ **Consolidate it.** Pour partial cans of latex paint together into one can. Empty cans maybe set out in the sun to dry with the lids off. Once all moisture content is gone, the empty cans may be placed in the regular trash.
- ★ **Dispose of properly.** Take it to a Home Chemical Collection Center.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE HOME CHECK LIST

How many hazardous chemicals do you have in your home? Use this checklist to find out. CAUTION: Children SHOULD NOT touch chemicals nor complete this checklist without the supervision of an adult.

CHECK ANY OF THE FOLLOWING THAT YOU HAVE IN YOUR HOME:

- ammonia _____
- detergents _____
- drain cleaners _____
- floor wax _____
- furniture polish _____
- metal polish _____
- mothballs _____
- oven cleaners _____
- septic tank cleaners _____
- spot removers _____
- window cleaners _____
- aerosol sprays _____
- nail polish remover _____
- toilet bowl cleaners _____
- tub & tile cleaners _____
- artificial dyes _____
- glues & cements _____
- household batteries _____
- paints & stains _____
- photo chemicals _____
- pool chemicals _____
- stain & varnish removers _____
- thermometers _____
- turpentine & paint removers _____
- varnish _____
- wood sealers _____
- brake fluid _____
- car & truck batteries _____
- lighter fluid _____
- motor oil _____
- transmission fluid _____
- fungicides _____
- herbicides _____
- insect repellents _____
- pesticides _____

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO ABOUT THESE PRODUCTS?

1. IDENTIFY THEM: Look for the following words and phrases on labels:

WARNING * CAUTION * DANGER

**Flammable, Volatile, Toxic, Corrosive,
Caustic, Reactive, Poison, Contains
Phosphates, Eye Irritant, Harmful if
Swallowed, Do Not Mix, Wear Rubber
Gloves.**

2. USE UP ENTIRELY: Always Read labels and follow directions carefully. If you can't use a product up, try to find a neighbor, friend or community organization who can.

3. STORE IN A COOL DRY PLACE: Between collection events and trips to the recycling center, keep all hazardous products in original containers with lids fastened securely. Do not mix, combine, or consolidate them.

4. RECYCLE OR TAKE TO COLLECTION SITE: Never throw hazardous products away with regular trash. Motor oil, brake and transmission fluid, antifreeze, and car batteries can be recycled at most service stations.

5. USE ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE PRODUCTS: Use Latex Paints instead of oil based paints. Look for products that say: "Environmentally Safe", "biodegradable", contains no phosphorus", "non-toxic", "non-corrosive", "low VOC" (Volatile Organic Compounds that cause paint "fumes.")

6. DON'T LET PRODUCTS GO TO WASTE: Buy only what is needed to do the job. Avoid over-purchasing with the thought that it can be used later.