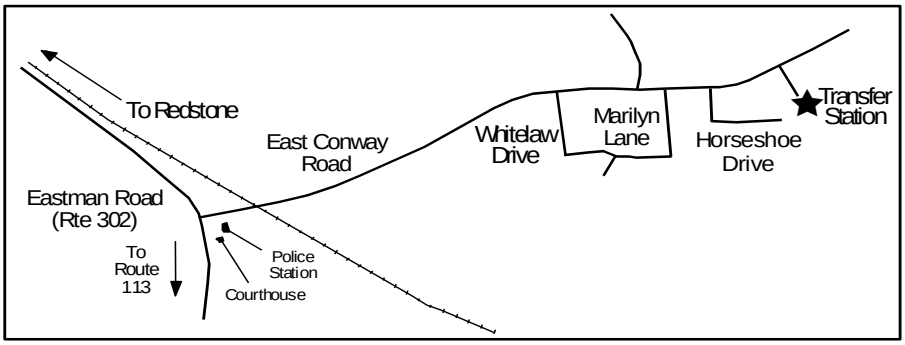
CONWAY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

"PLEASE DISPOSE OF IT SAFELY"

For the Towns of: Albany, Bartlett, Conway, Eaton, Freedom, Jackson, Madison, Hale's Location, and Hart's Location

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th, 2026
8:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
CONWAY TRANSFER STATION, 755 EAST CONWAY ROAD



5 GALLON LIMIT PER HOUSEHOLD
PLEASE NOTE:
-PUBLIC MUST STAY INSIDE THEIR VEHICLE.
-LOCAL CONTRACTORS CANNOT TRANSPORT WASTE TO THIS EVENT.

Why Should You be Concerned?[1]

The average household throws 15.5 pounds of hazardous materials into the trash each year. Household hazardous materials are disposed of in other ways, too. Certain products, such as used oil, are frequently poured down storm drains and many products end up going down the sink drain to septic systems or sewers.

Flammable or reactive household chemicals can release toxic fumes or even explode if they are mixed together in the trash, causing fires or injuring workers. Dumping solvents into septic systems or landfills may contaminate ground and surface waters ruining drinking water and killing fish and wildlife. Pesticides can damage sewage treatment plants, and oil poured into storm drains can flow directly into streams and ponds.

There are also certain health threats associated with some of these products. Products like lye can burn skin, eyes or respiratory passages. Exposure to some pesticides, paints and solvents can cause weakness, confusion, dizziness, irritability, headaches, nausea, sweating, tremors and convulsions. Other repeated chemical exposures can cause cancer or birth defects.

Children are also vulnerable to these products and accidental poisonings can occur if these products are not properly stored. In New Hampshire, the third and fourth leading causes of poisoning are personal care products and cleaning substances behind prescription and nonprescription drugs. These substances should be stored safely and, if not used, disposed of properly.

[1] N.H. Department of Environmental Services, Environmental Fact Sheet HW-3, 1998

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HERE'S HOW TO DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD CHEMICALS

Hazardous waste is not just an industrial problem. While many household products may be thrown in the trash or poured down the drain, many others contain hazardous chemicals, which might contaminate our precious drinking water if disposed of carelessly. Check the list below to find the best way to get rid of your unwanted household chemicals:

COLLECTION DAY ~	→	→	→	→
RECYCLE AT TRANS. STATION	→	→	→	↓
DRAIN NORMALLY	→	→	↓	↓
TRASH	→	↓	↓	↓
	↓	↓	↓	↓
FROM THE HOUSE	↓	↓	↓	↓
Alcohol-based liquids & lotions,		X		
i.e. perfume, after shave, etc.				
Aluminum Cleaners				X
Ammonia-based cleaners		X		
Bug Sprays				X
Depilatories		X		
Disinfectants		X		
Dry Cleaning fluids & spot removers				X
Floor care products				X
Furniture polish				X
Lithium-ion Batteries			X	
Alkaline Batteries			X	
Lighter Fluid				X
Metal Polish				X
Mothballs and crystals	X			
Nail polish remover				X
Oven Cleaners				X
Pharmaceuticals***				
Photo chemicals				X
Shoe polish	X			
Window Cleaners		X		
FROM THE YARD				
Fertilizer	X			
Fungicides				X
Herbicides				X
Insecticides				X
Muriatic acid				X
No-pest strips				X
Pool Chemicals				X
Rodent Killers				X

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FROM THE GARAGE	↓	↓	↓	↓
Anti-freeze				X
Auto Batteries			X	
Brake & Transmission Fluid				X
Carburetor cleaner				X
Creosote				X
Gasoline/diesel fuel				X
Oil (motor and other)			X	
Wax polish				X
Windshield washer fluid		X		
FROM THE WORKSHOP				
Glue (water based)		X		
Glue (solvent based)				X
Degreasers				X
Kerosene				X
Paint (latex)	X			
Paint (lead and oil based)				X
Paint thinner/turpentine				X
Paint stripper				X
Paintbrush cleaner				X
Rust preventative				X
Sealants				X
Solvents				X
Varnishes				X
Wood preservative				X

Any items in the "COLLECTION" column should be disposed of at the next Collection Day in your area.

COLLECTION=hazardous wastes that should be saved for community-wide collection days
RECYCLE=the transfer station already has recycling programs for these items.
DRAIN=substances that can be washed down the drain (check product labels for special septic tank procedures).
TRASH=materials that can safely be disposed of in garbage or trash when wrapped properly.

***** The next National Prescription Drug Take Back Day will be in October 2026. Please visit https://takebackday.dea.gov to find a collection site near you.**

What About Waste? [1]

Every effort should be made to minimize the waste. If you cannot use the product up so there's no disposal, you might share what you cannot use with a friend or take it to a swap center if available. You may also be able to recycle the waste; most towns now accept used oil for recycling. Usable items, such as paint, may be donated to local service organizations.

If you still can't get rid of your wastes, don't burn, bury, pour on ground, pour down drain, or discard them in the trash. Some of these activities may even violate federal, state or local regulations. You should store these wastes safely and bring them to a local household hazardous waste collection.

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For more information on hazardous material disposal or on the purchase, use and storage of toxics, contact the Transfer Station, 755 East Conway Road, Center Conway, 603-356-2272 or the Town of Conway, 23 Main Street, Conway, NH 03818; telephone 447-3811.