

SOUTH HADLEY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS QUICK REFERENCE TABLE – PAINT PROGRAM

<u>CHECK YOUR PAINT CONTAINER</u>	
CONDITION:	WHAT TO DO:
Not in original container, probably oil paint or thinner	→ Save for Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Day
Paint has been frozen or is dried out. (Frozen paint has separated lines/cracks, looks like cottage cheese, and may smell bad.)	→ If dried out completely, may be placed in trash → If liquid, and is latex, dry out by mixing with kitty litter or air dry and place in trash → If liquid, and is oil-based, save for HHW day
Less than a third of a can	→ If latex, dry out by mixing with kitty litter or air dry and place in trash → If oil/thinner/stain, save for HHW day
Aerosol paint or paint product?	→ Save for HHW day
Read the label-does it contain any of the following: Lead, mercury, chromium Pentachlorophenol Creosote Pesticide/fungicide Wood bleach Methyl ethyl ketone Toluene Xylene	→ Save for HHW day
Is it one of the following: Epoxy Two-part paint Pool paint Fire retardant Rubber based	→ Save for HHW day
More than a third of a can, original label, good condition, you'd take it yourself. ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS INCLUDE: <i>Interior/Exterior Latex</i> Look for these words: water based, acrylic, vinyl latex, acrylic emulsion, ethylene glycol, poly vinyl alcohol, glycol. <i>Interior/Exterior Oil Based Paints & Stains</i> Look for these words: alkyd resin, polyurethane, enamel, stains, varnishes, mineral spirits, lacquers, shellac, paint thinners, turpentine, linseed oil, hydrocarbons.	→ May be brought to paint shed for reuse or recycling

HHW Days for 2011 – Saturday June 25th and Saturday November 5th from 8 am to 1 pm
Pre-registration required.

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