



Happy New Year

All of us at Amador Valley Industries wish that all the good things of life be yours in abundance throughout the coming year. We appreciate your good will and look forward to serving you this year. Please visit our Web site or call our customer service department if we can be of assistance to you.

Sharps, Household Batteries and Fluorescent Lamps Can No Longer Be Put In The Trash

Since **Sharps** can't be put in the trash, the Alameda County Department of Environmental Health now provides a safe and practical solution for residents that generate sharps.

The Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) program is accepting home generated "sharps" from Alameda County residents.

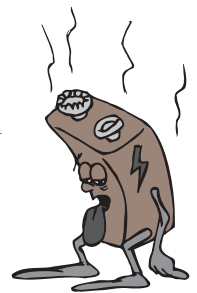


Alameda County residents can now dispose of their own home generated sharps waste safely and conveniently at any of Alameda County's HHW facilities, **FREE!**

Sharps **MUST** be packaged in approved sharps containers. This program is applicable to home generated sharps only.

State law requires all types of **Household Batteries and Fluorescent Lamps** to be recycled. They can no longer be thrown in the trash. These items can be recycled at all the HHW facilities.

Place household "dry-cell" batteries in a clear, heavy-duty, zip-type plastic bag in your recycling cart. Stockpile spent fluorescent lamps and bring them in to your nearest HHW facility.



Switching to rechargeable batteries will save resources and money too. Most common consumer devices that use standard batteries from AAA to D cells can use rechargeable Nickel Metal Hydride (NIMH) batteries with no loss of function and longer battery life than alkalines.

For sharps, battery and lamp disposal visit StopWaste.org or call 1-800-606-6606 for a drop-off site near you.

We Want Our Service to Be The Best and You Can Help

Please place your carts at the curb edge with at least 3 feet of clearance from other objects, including other carts, basketball hoops and motor vehicles.



What Do I Put Into the Organics Cart?

The reason Organics Carts are so important is that using them helps divert materials away from our landfills which is better for the environment. Here is a list to help you use your cart efficiently. Thank you for helping us provide you with the best possible service.

Organics Acceptable List

- Grass and weed clippings
- Shrubs and tree prunings (less than 4" in diameter)
- Leaves, plants and flowers
- Food scraps and food soiled paper products

Non-acceptable Organics List

- No household garbage
- **No plastic bags**
- No dirt or rocks
- No overloading - lid must be closed

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New Paint Stewardship Law

Assembly Bill 1343 created the California Architectural Paint Stewardship Program. The statute requires architectural paint* manufacturers to develop and implement a program to reduce, reuse, recycle and properly manage postconsumer architectural paint in California.

The Program will provide substantial cost savings to municipal household hazardous waste collection programs; significantly increase postconsumer architectural paint collection sites and recycling opportunities for residents, businesses and other generators of postconsumer architectural paint; and exemplify the principles of product stewardship in action.

Recycle with PaintCare

PaintCare Inc. a non-profit organization established by the American Coatings Association to implement California's Paint Stewardship Law is establishing hundreds of drop-off sites for postconsumer (leftover) paint at paint stores and other sites throughout California. On October 19, 2012, the first day of the California PaintCare Program, 340 new sites started accepting paint from the public. PaintCare will continue to set up additional sites throughout California.

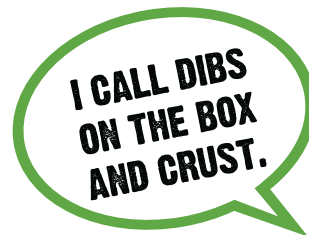
To find site near you, *visit www.paintcare.org or call (855) 724-6809*. Due to the overwhelming response to the program at the beginning, please call the site prior to bringing them your leftovers to make sure they are able to accept your paint and to check on the quantity of paint they will accept.

Current sites in the Tri-Valley area are:

- Kelly Moore, 4877 Hopyard Rd Pleasanton 94588 - 925-225-0224
- Sherwin-Williams, 6309 Dougherty Rd Dublin 94568 - 925-551-8355
- Kelly Moore, 3981 First St Livermore 94551 - 925-606-7048

*"Architectural paint" means interior and exterior architectural coatings, sold in containers of five gallons or less for commercial or homeowner use, but does not include aerosol spray paint or coatings purchased for industrial or original equipment manufacturer use. Leaking, unlabeled and empty containers are not accepted at drop-off sites.

Source: PaintCare.org



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In the spirit of conservation we are providing our newsletter online, but please feel free to print it out.