



Remember, it's not just
toxic to you...

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE



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cleaners and chemicals

Did you know that many household products are dangerous to our
kids, pets, and the environment?

These materials pollute our waterways if washed or dumped into
storm drains or roadside ditches. Remember, storm drains lead to
our streams, creeks, and rivers and eventually the Chesapeake Bay.

What can you do? Follow the tips on the back of this card for simple
ways you can help protect our waterways.

THINK BAY!



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IDENTIFY IT - Be aware of household products that can harm kids, pets, and the environment. The words “danger,” “caution,” “warning,” or “toxic” indicate that you need to be careful in how you use and dispose of the product.

LESS IS BETTER - Reduce waste and save money by purchasing only the materials you need. When possible, choose less toxic alternatives. For example, try cleaning your windows with vinegar and water.

STORE PROPERLY - Keep unused products in their original containers with the label intact. Select cool, dry storage areas that are away from kids, pets, and wildlife.

DISPOSAL IS KEY - Never dump motor oil, chemicals, and other toxic materials down storm drains, sinks, or on the ground. Anne Arundel County offers Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Days at our three Recycling Centers. For details, guidelines, and dates visit www.aacounty.org/DPW/WasteManagement.

Find more clean water tips at www.aarivers.org