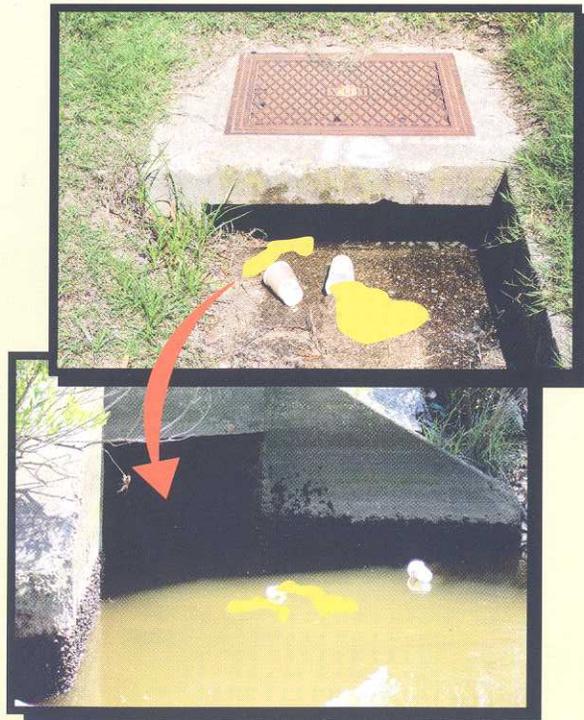


WHAT ARE HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS?

Many products you use to clean and maintain your kitchen, bathroom, lawn, and car are hazardous. Hazardous products contain chemicals that can injure people or damage the environment. It is very important to follow usage instructions of hazardous products, and to dispose of them properly.

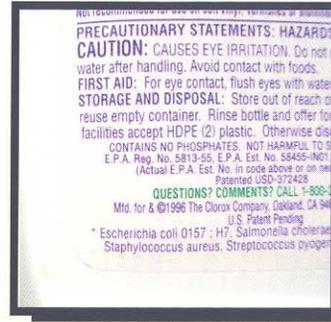
The worst way to dispose of these products is to pour them down a storm drain.

Storm drains are directly connected to nearby streams, rivers, lakes, and bays. Pouring hazardous products into a storm drain dumps these products directly into the water we use.



HOW CAN I IDENTIFY HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS IN MY HOME?

It's easy! All you have to do is read labels, like the one provided below.



The labels of hazardous products contain key words such as:

- CAUTION!** (Watch out.)
- FLAMMABLE!** (This can catch on fire.)
- IRRITANT!** (This may burn your skin.)
- POISON!** (Don't eat it.)
- CORROSIVE!** (This will melt plastic or metal.)
- EXPLOSIVE!** (It can blow up.)

Household hazardous products are everywhere in your home.

- **Kitchen and bathroom products:** Bleach, ammonia, drain/oven cleaners, floor cleaners, nail polish remover, and tub/toilet cleaners.
- **Home improvement products:** Paints, glues, varnishes, paint thinners, and wood preservatives.
- **Lawn care products:** Herbicides, fertilizers, and pesticides.
- **Car products:** Oil, gasoline, brake fluid, batteries, and antifreeze.

WHAT ARE GOOD HABITS FOR USING HAZARDOUS PRODUCTS?

Hazardous products used in the household are not dangerous to human health or the environment when used according to the manufacturer's instructions. Good habits when using hazardous products keep you and the environment safe.

- Reduce the amount of hazardous products you buy. This is the best thing you can do!
- Use less toxic products (refer to the first website listed on the back of this brochure for alternatives).
- Store hazardous products in a safe place, away from children and pets.
- Keep hazardous products tightly sealed in well-labeled containers (preferably the original).
- Never mix hazardous products. Some products react violently or release highly toxic chemicals when mixed, such as ammonia and bleach.
- Take hazardous products to a neighbor or charity that might re-use them.
- Participate in the hazardous waste collection day that your local waste authorities sponsor.
- Properly dispose of hazardous products that you no longer need.