



MCB Camp Lejeune Household Hazardous Material (HHM) Collection Program

Did You Know?

Some jobs around the home may require the use of products containing hazardous components. Such products may include paints, cleaners, stains and varnishes, batteries, motor oil, and pesticides. The used or leftover contents of such consumer products are known as "used household hazardous materials."

Americans generate 1.6 million tons of household used hazardous materials per year. The average home can accumulate as much as 100 pounds of used household materials. When improperly disposed of, used household hazardous materials can create a potential risk to people and the environment.

For instance, chemicals that are flushed down drains, poured onto the ground, or washed down storm drains end up poisoning lakes, rivers, and streams. In addition, hazardous materials thrown into garbage cans & then placed in landfills can seep into the ground & contaminate soil & drinking water supplies. Ultimately, the improper disposal of household hazardous materials may result in detrimental effects on the health of plants, fish, wildlife, & people.

Camp Lejeune's HHM Collection Program

The Environmental management Division has established a Household Hazardous Material Collection program for active duty military personnel & dependents residing in Base housing units. Bring your old & unused home & garage products to the collection site to ensure their proper disposal. Participants will also be able to pick up reusable materials turned in by other participants. **Questions?? Call 451-1482**

WHEN: Monday - Friday
0730 to 1500

WHERE:
- Bldg. 977
- Michael Road
- Beside the Base Fuel Farm



Please....

- ✔ Bring only acceptable materials.
- ✔ Be certain that all product containers & labels are original & legible.
- ✔ Transport materials safely. Ensure that lids are tightly sealed & that contents cannot spill during transport to the collection site.
- ✔ Bring your military ID.

ACCEPTABLE	UNACCEPTABLE
Household Cleaners	Ammunition
Solvent/Thinners	Explosive
Furniture Strippers	Material
Wood Preservatives	Radioactive
Automotive Fluids	Material
Paints	Smoke Alarms
Polishes	Medical Waste
Lighter Fluid	
Used Motor Oil	
Pesticides/Herbicides etc.	

What You Can Do

Read Product Labels

Be aware of a product's hazardous waste potential by identifying these signal words on the label: **POISON, DANGER, TOXIC, WARNING, CAUTION, FLAMMABLE, and CORROSIVE.**

Assess Your Needs

Before you buy a product, make sure that it will do what you want. Buy only what you need and use up what you purchase.

Use and Store Materials Safely

Read all label directions carefully. Wear the necessary safety clothing, such as long sleeves, gloves, and eye protection. Use all hazardous substances with adequate ventilation. Keep products in their original containers and **NEVER** remove the labels.

Share Leftover Materials

Give away unused portions in their original labeled containers to others that can use them. **NEVER** share materials that have been tampered with in any way.

Recycle

Take advantage of the Base and Housing recycling programs. Recycle materials such as automobile batteries, used motor oil, antifreeze, and any other relevant items.

Dispose of Materials Properly

Follow the disposal instructions provided on product labels. Take household hazardous materials to the Base collection site on Michael Road. Use appropriate precautionary measures during transport to avoid spills and accidents.

Consider Safer Alternatives

Reduce the amount of hazardous materials in your household by using safer alternatives. Many of these substitutes may be as effective as and cheaper than the standard household product.

Instead of:

Try:

All Purpose Cleaner	Mix ½ cup white vinegar & 1T baking soda
Carpet Cleaner	Use Cornstarch; Vacuum
Oven Cleaner	Use steel wool & baking soda
Toilet Cleaner	Scrub with baking soda or powdered bleach
Glass Cleaner	Combine 2T vinegar & 1qt warm water
Drain Cleaner	Pour 1-cup baking soda down the drain; follow with ½-cup white vinegar. Flush with hot water
Scouring Powder	Mix 4T baking soda with 1qt warm water
Disinfectant	Substitute ½ cup borax & 1gl water
Ant Poison	Use chili powder; sprinkle at places of entry
Houseplant Insecticides	Spray plants weekly with lukewarm soapy water & rinse well
Furniture Polish	Mix 1 part lemon juice to 1 part olive oil
Oil/Enamel-based Paints	Substitute latex or water based paint
Floor Cleaner	Combine 1-cup white vinegar with 2gl water. Polish with club soda
Air Freshener	Burn scented candles or boil cinnamon in water

Thank you!

Thank you for your participation in the Camp Lejeune Household Hazardous Material Program. By participating, you help to make your home & environment safer & healthier!!