

Please read carefully

The Hazardous waste collection service provided by Mid Suffolk and Babergh District Councils aims to give residents a legitimate and easy way of disposing of their household hazardous waste. The service is only for the use of domestic properties, and a reasonable quantity can be collected for a charge of £22.00. Large amounts may incur an additional fee.

Some types of Hazardous waste are accepted at the Household Waste Recycling Centres in Suffolk, and therefore are not eligible for collection through this service.

Private householders, educational establishments and charities can take the following to any of the HWRCs in Suffolk free of charge:

- Engine oil and Cooking oil
- Fire extinguishers (But not BCF or Halon types)
- Fluorescent tubes and energy-efficient light bulbs
- Gas cylinders
- Household batteries
- Lead acid batteries
- Refrigerators / freezers
- Televisions and computer monitors

What waste types can be collected via the Hazardous Waste Service?



Aerosols (containing hazardous materials such as paint or pesticides)

Adhesives

Anti-freeze

Fertilisers (Liquid or Solid)

Mercury containing products

Oxidising substances e.g. bleach

Paint and varnish as well as paint stripper and varnish remover

Pesticides (Solids and Liquids)

Petrol, paraffin, diesel, heating oil, thinners, brake fluid, solvents etc

Printing inks

Resins

Small butane/propane non-returnable gas canisters

Transmission fluids

Unidentified solids and liquids

Wood preservatives / stain (e.g. creosote, cuprinol etc)

Please note: We will not collect empty paint tins as part of this service

Empty containers or paint or chemicals can be put into your black (refuse) bin for disposal.

Paint containers that are less than one third full of can be disposed of by adding soil or sand to the paint and leaving the lid off to solidify it. Once it has solidified it can be put into the black bin for disposal.

Collection, treatment and disposal costs of hazardous waste are expensive for the council. For this reason, residents are urged to only use this service when absolutely necessary. (For example please do not list empty or nearly empty paint containers for collection, or request a collection for items that are accepted at the Household Waste Recycling Centres)

We are NOT able to collect the following: **X**

Fireworks, Explosives, Yacht flares, Radioactive waste, Returnable gas cylinders, Flammable film stock (cellulose acetate) and any types of asbestos.

Once we have received your completed Hazardous Waste collection form, we will aim to contact you within 7 working days of receipt of the completed form to take payment and provide a collection date. **(Please therefore provide a daytime telephone number)**
Collection should then take place within 6 weeks of receipt of your form.

On the day your collection is due, please ensure that you present your items for collection by 7.00am, in the position that you would normally present your bins. (Or in a position that is both visible and easily accessible to the collection driver.)

Any items that are put out for collection but have not been listed on the order form will not be collected.

If you have any queries about what can be collected as part of the hazardous waste collection service, or about any aspect of the service, please contact us on 0845 606 6045, or email recycling@midsuffolk.gov.uk

General advice

Disposal of hazardous waste must be done in a way that avoids harming the environment or causing harm to human health. You should never dispose of household waste (e.g. pesticides or creosote) down sinks, drains, lavatories, watercourses, ditches, or near wildlife habitats or ponds. Products for disposal should **not be mixed together**, and containers should be clearly labelled.

Hazardous waste such as syringes, asbestos, poisons, flammable liquids or paint **cannot** be taken to your local Household Waste and Recycling Centres. Any containers containing paint or chemicals in liquid form will not be collected if they are put in the black bin.

If you have any paint of a usable quality, it can be taken to the Colchester Re Paint scheme who distributes it to community groups and individuals on low incomes. More details on the Colchester re-paint scheme can be found at www.repaintessex.org.uk or call 01206 367776.

The Environmental Protection Act 1990 (EPA) states that construction and demolition waste are not classified as household waste and as such we are not obliged to collect it. However, we will accept some hazardous waste materials from small-scale DIY projects from your house or garden as a discretionary service to help residents.

You will need to consider an alternative method of disposal, if you have a larger quantity of construction and demolition waste, or if the waste has been produced as the result of you paying someone to undertake work within your home or garden.

If you pay anyone to undertake renovations or other work within your home or garden and they remove the waste for you, or someone else removes the waste for you, either paid or unpaid, it is your responsibility to ensure that they have the appropriate licences to do this, such as a waste carriers licence. This is known as a 'Duty of Care'. If the person removing the rubbish proceeds to fly-tip the waste you could be liable for a fine of up to £5,000, so check with the environment agency before you allow that 'man and a van' to take away your rubbish.

Any queries about **trade hazardous waste** (which we may be able to collect, but there will be a charge) should be directed to Ralph Nesling, the Hazardous Waste Officer for Suffolk County Council. Email: ralph.nesling@suffolk.gov.uk Telephone: 01473 264790

Date:

How to book a collection

To book a hazardous waste collection we need full details of the items that you have to be collected, as well as your full contact details. Please use this form to provide the necessary information. All items marked with an asterisk must be completed to enable us to process the order. Please return it to us (if you received this form electronically) by e-mail to recycling@midsuffolk.gov.uk, or by post to the address on the previous page.

Your details:

*Name:	
*Address:	
*Collection Address if different from the above:	
*Daytime telephone number/s <i>Please make sure we can contact you on this number during the day.</i>	
E-mail address:	

Details of the items to be collected:

(We will only collect items that are listed on this form. Additional items will not be collected)

Size of item	0-1 ltr (Small)	1-5ltr (medium)	5-10ltr (large)	>10ltr (very large)		Size of item	0-1 ltr (Small)	1-5ltr (medium)	5-10ltr (large)	>10ltr (very large)
(Example line) Paint	1		3			(Example line) Pesticides		1		
Aerosols						Paint Stripper & Varnish remover				
Adhesives						Pesticides				
Antifreeze						Petrol, Paraffin, Diesel, Heating Oil				
Brake fluid, Transmission fluids						Printing Ink				
Fertilisers						Resins				
Paint & Varnish						Solvents				
Oxidising substance, e.g. bleach						Wood preservative				
Unidentified Solids						Unidentified Liquid				

Mercury containing item:	Please give details:	Number of canisters	0-1	1-5	5-10	>10
		Small non returnable gas canisters				

Any other hazardous item	Please give details:	
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