



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE BANNED FROM GARBAGE

Many of the products that we commonly use in our homes contain toxic materials. These products range from paint and solvent to cosmetics and pharmaceuticals. Once discarded, these products become what are collectively known as Household Hazardous Waste or HHW.

The City of Owen Sound held its first HHW day in 1995 and has operated a permanent depot since 2001. The time has now come to take the next step and ban the disposal of HHW as garbage.

City collection crews will no longer collect garbage containing any amount of HHW.

The City of Owen Sound's residential garbage is now being shipped to a landfill in the State of Michigan and HHW is considered a "banned material" at Michigan Landfill Sites and must be kept out of your garbage.

The City of Owen Sound offers seven HHW Day events each year and residents may bring their hazardous waste, free of charge, to the Public Works building on these days only between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm. Please note that under our Ministry of Environment permit we cannot accept HHW at any other time.

Please refer to your Waste Management Calendar for event dates or call Public Works at 376-4274 for more information.