

Universal Waste Regulations

Universal Wastes (UW) are common products that, when disposed of improperly, pose risks to human health and the environment. State law requires UW to be taken to a facility that will recycle or properly dispose of universal waste.

It is illegal to dispose of universal wastes in the garbage. By doing so, you risk injury to not only your garbage handler but, in the long run, to everyone. Eventually, chemicals in illegally disposed materials end up at the landfill where toxic metals and corrosive substances can be released into the environment and can contaminate our air, water and possibly the food we eat.



Yolo County's Household Hazardous Waste Program collects UW from businesses by appointment every Friday for a fee. To obtain a Quote Request Form please contact Yolo County's Recycling Coordinator at (530) 666-8856. An EPA ID# is not required when transporting or properly disposing of UW.

Additional Resources

For more information on UW regulations visit the DTSC website at:

www.dtsc.ca.gov/hazardouswaste/universalwaste/index.cfm

For Universal Waste recycling options outside of Yolo County please visit

<http://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/HomeHazWaste/Directory/default.aspx>

Additional Resources

Small Businesses

There is currently no state regulation that requires small business with universal waste materials to get an EPA identification number prior to hauling such materials. Please call Yolo County at 530-666-8856 to find out details on how your business can safely dispose of universal waste.



Yolo County HHW Facility

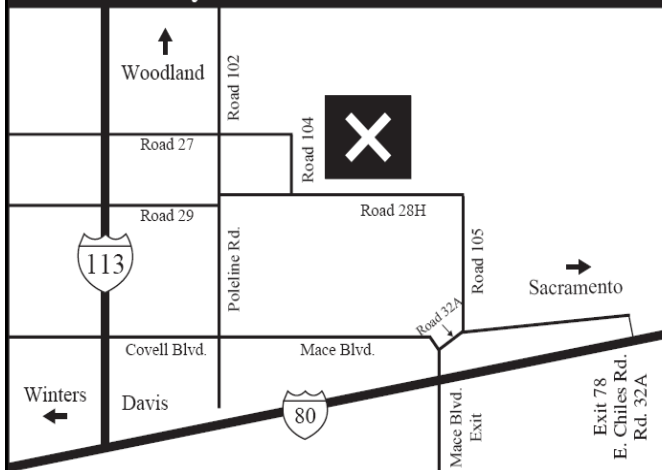
This County facility accepts Universal Waste "free" of charge from Yolo County residents ONLY. (Businesses must pay a fee and schedule an appointment.) Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) drop-off is open EVERY Friday & Saturday between 7:30am—3:30pm. For more information contact the landfill via the information below.



Yolo County Central Landfill
44090 County Road 28H
Woodland, California 95776
Phone: 530-666-8729



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Universal Waste for Businesses



It is **ILLEGAL** to throw
universal waste in the trash.



UW Items Include:

Batteries

All **household** batteries including alkaline (AA,C.D), button cell, cell phone batteries, lithium-ion rechargeable batteries and nickel cadmium (Ni-Cd) batteries.



* Businesses require an Appointment & Fees Apply

Light Bulbs

Compact fluorescents (CFL's), fluorescent tubes, high intensity discharge, metal halide, sodium and neon. (Incandescent, LEDs, & halogen light bulbs are not included under UW regulations.)



* Business' require an Appointment & Fees Apply

Mercury Containing Devices (Other)

Including thermometers, gauges, switches, "light-up" shoes, singing greeting cards and flashing jewelry (all contain batteries)



* Business' require an Appointment & Fees Apply

Non-Empty Aerosol Cans that Contain Hazardous Materials

Many aerosol cans contain flammables, like butane, as propellants for products like paint. If your aerosol can is labeled with words like TOXIC or FLAMMABLE they most likely fall under the universal waste category and should not be placed in the trash.



* Business' require an Appointment & Fees Apply

FREE Disposal Options for Other Hazardous Items Include:

Electronic Waste

Including cell phones, computers and peripheral equipment, pagers, radios, VCRs, DVDs, answering machines and TVs.



• Accepted 7-days a week. No charge.

Microwaves

Microwaves fall under the universal waste regulations and under the electronic waste category. They cannot be put in the regular trash.



• Accepted 7-days a week. No charge.

Mercury Thermostats

The County is partners with the Thermostat Recycling Corporation (TRC) offering free disposal options to businesses who remove and manage old mercury thermostats.



• Accepted 7-days a week. No Charge



For more information contact Yolo County's
Recycling Staff at (530) 666-8856.

Lead Acid Batteries

- Unlimited quantities of lead acid batteries are accepted. If batteries are inside a casing such as a DC Power Supply Unit or Charging Station, remove from casing before recycling.
- Accepted 7-days a week. No charge



Latex Paint

- Unlimited quantities of latex paint are accepted.
- We encourage those with large volumes of paint (50-gallons or more) to come on a Friday or Saturday when hazardous waste staff can help you unload.
- Additionally, if you have (300-gallons or more) you may call 1-855-724-6809 to request at free pickup at your business.

Oil-Based Paint

- Businesses may only transport up to 27-gallon of oil based paint to qualify for free disposal.
- Upon arrival at YCCL you will need to sign a log letting the County and Paint Care know your business name and contact info.
- If you have more than 27-gallons of oil-based paint you will be required to make an appointment and come through on a Friday. There is no charge for this however additional paperwork is required.

Used Motor Oil and Filters

- A pump is available to assist farms, ranches and other businesses to pump oil from drums into our main oil tank.
- There is no limit on the number of oil filters that can be dropped off as this program is fully funded by a grant by CalRecycle.
- Accepted 7-days a week. No charge.