Collecting Paint for Recycling in New Hampshire



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What are we talking about?

- Household generated waste paint
- Oil-based
- Water-based (Latex)
- Paint used on exterior or interior wood products



What am I NOT Talking About?

- Thinners
- Marine paints
- Industrial paints
- Automotive paints
- Non-household paints



What is the BIG Deal?



- HHW Vendors say that paint makes up between 60%-70% of waste collected at events
- Nearly \$500,000 annually for NH residents
- 69,000 gallons collected in 2004

What can I do about it?

- Educate yourself and staff
- Contact a vendor
- Get storage supplies
- Start collecting paint for recycling
- Special permits not needed for <u>recycling</u>



Educate Yourself and Staff



- You are on your way
- Develop a plan
- Update operating plan
- Inform the DES
- Find out what paint is acceptable with vendor

Plan Ahead

- Do some research about quantities
- Look at other programs
- Find out what your town's needs are
- Talk with vendors

Remember:

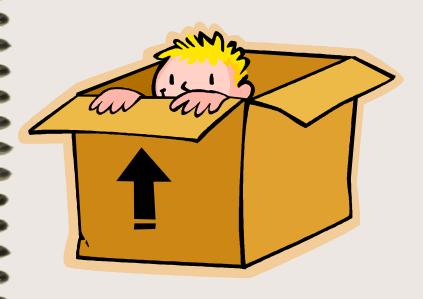
Prior Planning Prevents Poor Performance

Contact a Vendor

- Set up meetings
- Ask around
- Visit facilities
- Contact receiving state/country
- Negotiate pricing and services



Storage Supplies



- Sump pallets
- Wrangler packs
- Spill equipment
- PPE

Start Collecting



- Talk with others that have been there
- Train your staff
- Work with vendor for market specifications
- Local outreach
- Notify local fire department

Storage

- Keep paint in wrangler packs
- Label containers
- Allow aisle space
- Ship out before winter
- Keep area clean
- Place fire extinguisher in area





What is Next?



- Inform the public
- Stay informed
- Monitor program
- Consider a paint reuse program for both oil and latex

QUESTIONS?

