

# How to Safely Gather & Transport Your HHW

Due to the hazardous nature of the materials you will be gathering and transporting, we want to ensure you are handling them properly to avoid any accidents to yourself, your vehicle, or our staff.

## Gathering Products Around Your Home



- When collecting your items, please ensure the products are sealed and in their original containers with the labels intact.
  - If you have products without labels or you are unsure what the product is, please let us know when scheduling your appointment. We may have limitations on accepting these products or may need to make special arrangements to properly handle them.
- Please **DO NOT** mix products together, even if they seem similar.
  - Combining chemicals can cause reactions that may create a dangerous situation for you and your family, as well as our staff.
- If you have any unusual products that you would not typically use or find around the home, please inform us before scheduling an appointment. We may need to make special accommodations in order to accept these products.

Please note, if you arrive for your appointment with these types of products without informing us beforehand, we will more than likely not be able to accept them. Letting us know ahead of time gives us the opportunity to reach out to our contractors, increasing the likelihood we can safely accept your items.

## Transporting Products To The HHWF

Once you have gathered your items, please place the products standing upright in plastic storage containers or cardboard boxes lined with plastic, leaving the transport containers open to the air.

- Standing products upright helps prevent leaks, and the plastic-lined box or container adds an extra layer of protection in case of spills, keeping your vehicle safe from damage.

Please **do not** place products in plastic bags, such as grocery bags or trash bags.

- These bags can cause products to leak and mix, which could lead to a dangerous chemical reaction. For the safety of our staff, if your items are in plastic bags, we will not be able to accept them.
- If you have a product that is leaking, please place it in a **clear zip lock bag** to prevent further leakage. We also need to be able to identify the product through the bag. If you have multiple leaking products, please ensure each one is placed in its own **clear zip lock bag**.



Please load your items in your vehicle in a well-ventilated area and in a way that makes them easy for our staff to unload.

- If items are buried under debris, you may be asked to reschedule.

Thank you for helping us maintain a safe and efficient process for everyone!