

# Hand in hazardous waste for disposal

Hazardous waste contains substances that are harmful to the environment or health and must therefore be collected separately from other materials and disposed of at recycling stations. Find out here where you can dispose of hazardous waste.

## Competent Department

- [Recycling-Station Blockland](#)
- [Recycling-Station Hastedt](#)
- [Die Bremer Stadtreinigung](#)

## Basic information

Hazardous waste is waste which, due to its material properties, must not be disposed of together with residual waste (residual waste), as it may endanger health and/or have harmful effects on the environment. They are marked with a hazard symbol on the packaging (flame, skull and crossbones, large exclamation mark).

You can deliver hazardous waste to the Bremen recycling stations Blockland and Hastedt.

These are hazardous substances:

- Paints and varnishes: paints and varnishes containing solvents
- Photographic chemicals: developers, fixers
- Household cleaners and cosmetics: solvent-based, flammable or corrosive household chemicals, nail polish remover with acetone
- Glue and adhesives: solvent-based glue and solvent-based adhesives
- Solvents: nitro and universal thinner, turpentine substitute, paint thinner
- Plant protection, pest control and wood preservatives: rat poison, weed killers, decay inhibitors
- Mercury residues: mercury thermometers
- Construction foam: assembly foam cans

These are not harmful substances:

- Paints and varnishes: emulsion paints (binder, latex, wall paints), tinting paints, school paints, hair dyes, empty paint buckets, paint and spray cans
  - Photographic chemicals: emptied containers
  - Household cleaners and cosmetics: Washing-up liquid and detergent residues, scouring powder, hair, carpet and car shampoos as well as make-up, skin creams and other cosmetics, emptied plastic bottles, tubes, spray cans and other plastic and metal containers
  - Glue and adhesives: wallpaper paste, empty glue tubes, bottles and cans
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Depending on the type of waste, very different disposal methods can be used. The hazardous substances are sorted, classified and disposed of in an environmentally friendly manner.

## Requirements

- The delivery of waste and recyclable materials is only permitted with vehicles with a permissible total weight of up to 3.5 tons
- The delivery of waste and recyclable materials must be sorted by type and free from harmful contamination and adhesions.
- The hazardous waste comes from a private household in Bremen that is connected to the municipal waste disposal system.

## What documents do I need?

- Official proof of identity or fee notice (original)

In justified cases, the joint presentation of the official proof of identity and the fee notice may be requested.

- Declaration of waste origin

Upon request, the deliverers must sign a declaration stating their name, address including telephone number and presenting official proof of identity, in which the exact private origin of the waste and/or recyclables is stated and confirmed.

## Procedure

- Hazardous waste can be handed in at the Blockland and Hastedt sites.
- No explosive, radioactive or infectious materials are accepted.
- Waste and recyclable materials must be placed in the appropriately labeled bins or containers.
- Waste/recyclables must be delivered in transport containers (e.g. in bags, baskets or cardboard boxes).

## Legal bases

- [§ 20 Kreislaufwirtschaftsgesetz \(KrWG\)](#)
- [§ 48 Kreislaufwirtschaftsgesetz \(KrWG\)](#)
- [§ 9 Ortsgesetz über die Entsorgung von Abfällen in der Stadtgemeinde Bremen \(Abfallortsgesetz\)](#)

## More information

Transport packaging and containers must be taken back by the deliverers. The waste, recyclable materials and hazardous substances become the property of Die Bremer

Stadtreinigung when they are placed in the collection bins/containers or handed over to the operating personnel. This also applies if they have already been unloaded or secured.

The deliverers are obliged to provide information about the origin of the waste and/or recyclables they deliver. The station's operating personnel are authorized to inspect all waste delivered and to reject waste, recyclables and hazardous substances, even if they have already been unloaded.

Batteries can also be handed in free of charge at all stores that sell batteries.

Engine and transmission oils are not accepted at the hazardous waste collection point. Stores that sell engine and gearbox oils are legally obliged to take back used oil (including empty containers). Keep the receipts for this, as the disposal costs are already included in the purchase price.

Car batteries, also known as starter batteries, are only taken back by specialist dealers via a deposit system.

Not all paints, varnishes, glues and adhesives belong in the hazardous waste collection. These substances are not included:

- Emulsion paints (binder, latex, wall paints), tinting paints, school paints, hair dyes
- Empty paint buckets, paint and spray cans
- Emptied containers
- Washing-up liquid and detergent residues,
- scouring powder, hair, carpet and car shampoos
- as well as make-up, skin creams and other cosmetics
- Emptied plastic bottles,
- tubes, aerosol cans
- And other plastic and metal containers
- Wallpaper paste Emptied glue tubes, bottles and cans

Emptied sales packaging is disposed of in the yellow bag/yellow garbage can.

### **What deadlines must be paid attention to?**

There are no deadlines.

### **How long does it take to process**

If there is a high volume of customers, there may be waiting times at the recycling stations.

### **What are the costs?**

The pollutants marked with hazard symbols are financed via the waste fee.