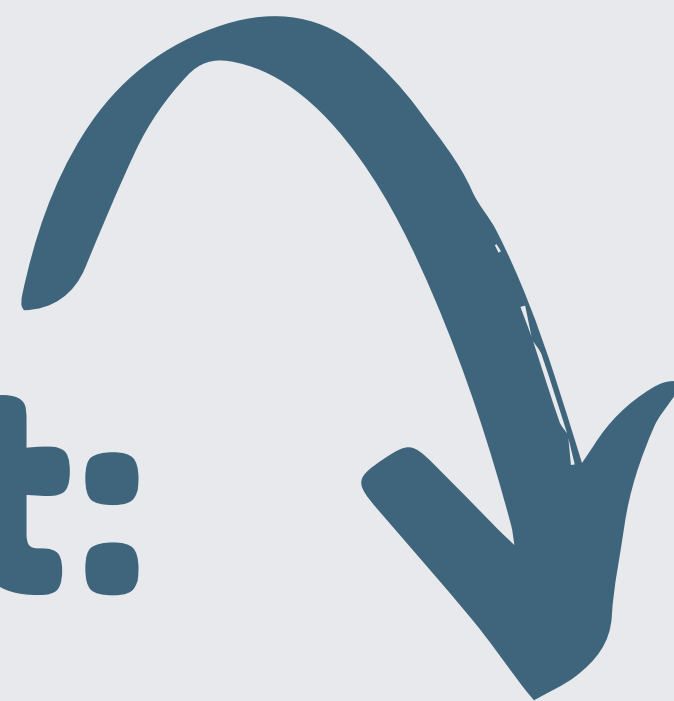




SAFE PAINT DISPOSAL

**MAPLEWOOD
TOWNSHIP
DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC WORKS**

If you have leftover paint:



- Save it for touchups or use it as a base coat on a wall
- Give it to a neighbor, church, community theater, or other group



- DO NOT dump wet paint onto the ground
- DO NOT dump paint in or near a storm drain. Paint is harmful to fish and other wildlife!
- Do NOT put wet paint in the garbage

MAPLEWOOD DPW FACILITY DOES NOT ACCEPT PAINT

OIL 
BASED
PAINT

is combustible and should be disposed via Essex County Utilities Authority. Call (973) 792-9060 for Household Hazardous Waste collection days and hours.


LATEX
PAINT

can safely be put in the garbage for disposal, as long as the paint is dry or solidified first. See next page for further instruction.

LATEX PAINT DISPOSAL



With small amounts (1 inch or less in the can)

- Remove lid and let the paint dry out in a well-ventilated area
- When completely dry, put the can in the garbage

Leave the lid off so your garbage collector will see that the paint is dry

If there is too much paint in the can to dry out

1

Make sure the paint can is 1/2 full or less. Pour excess into another container, like a milk jug or coffee can

2

Add clay-based cat litter  until the can and/or containers are 3/4 full

3

Stir the paint mixture until very thick.

If the paint is still runny after 10 minutes, add more cat litter 

4

Let mixture dry in a well-ventilated area, away from kids and pets. It will take about one day for the mixture to harden

5

When the mixture is solid and no longer runny, put the paint can in the garbage 



Leave the lid off so your garbage collector will see that the paint is dry