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## Recycle Leftover Paint with PaintCare

PaintCare, the nonprofit stewardship program created by the paint industry, provides sites in Port Angeles where households and businesses can recycle unwanted paint, stain, and varnish all year round.

Find a drop-off location near you by visiting [www.paintcare.org/drop-off-sites](http://www.paintcare.org/drop-off-sites). All sites accept up to 5 gallons per visit. Please call ahead to confirm business hours and ask if they can accept the type and amount of paint you would like to recycle. Sites do not accept aerosols (spray paint), leaking, unlabeled, or empty containers.

Businesses, organizations, and households with 100 gallons or more can request a free large volume pickup. Visit [www.paintcare.org/pickup](http://www.paintcare.org/pickup) to learn more and request a pickup.

## PAINTCARE PRODUCTS

PaintCare sites accept house paint as well as primers, stains, sealers, and clear coatings such as shellac and varnish.

To be accepted for drop-off, PaintCare products must be in their original containers of no larger than 5 gallons in size, must have the original manufacturer's printed label on the container, and must be covered with a secured lid. We cannot accept open or leaking cans.

## Accepted

The following are PaintCare products included in the program. When purchased, the PaintCare fee is applied. These products are accepted at no additional cost when dropped off at PaintCare's participating drop-off sites.

- Interior and exterior architectural paints: latex, acrylic, water-based, alkyd, oil-based, enamel (including textured coatings)
- Deck coatings, floor paints (including elastomeric)
- Primers, sealers, undercoaters
- Stains
- Shellacs, lacquers, varnishes, urethanes (single component)
- Waterproofing concrete/masonry/wood sealers and repellents (not tar or bitumen-based)
- Metal coatings, rust preventatives
- Field and lawn paints

### **Not Accepted**

The following are non-PaintCare products and are not included in the program. When purchased, the PaintCare fee is not applied. They are not accepted at PaintCare's participating drop-off sites.

- Paint thinners, mineral spirits, solvents
- Aerosol paints (spray cans)
- Auto and marine paints
- Art and craft paints
- Caulking compounds, epoxies, glues, adhesives
- Paint additives, colorants, tints, resins
- Wood preservatives (containing pesticides)
- Roof patch and repair
- Asphalt, tar and bitumen-based products
- 2-component coatings
- Deck cleaners
- Traffic and road marking paints
- Industrial Maintenance (IM) coatings
- Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) (shop application) paints and finishes
- Containers that are leaking or empty, and containers without the original printed manufacturer's label are not accepted at retail drop-off sites

### **PAINT SMARTER**

PaintCare provides tips to help in every step of the painting process. Figure out how much paint to buy, help your paint last longer in storage, find ideas for using up or giving away leftover paint, and learn where to take paint to be recycled.

Visit [www.paintcare.org/paint-smarter/](http://www.paintcare.org/paint-smarter/).

### **Buy Right**

Consult with painting professionals and retailers to buy the right amount of paint and reduce potential waste.

### **Use It Up**

Use up leftover paint on the surface you are painting, on additional painting projects around the house, or give it to someone else in your community.

**Recycle the Rest**

When you can't use up leftover paint, drop it off with PaintCare to get it recycled!