

# LATEX PAINT DISPOSAL

Latex (also called "water-based") paint is not a hazardous waste and should be disposed of at curbside with the rest of your household waste. Here's how to properly dispose of latex paint:

**1** Make sure the paint can is 1/2 full or less. (If the can is more than 1/2 full, pour excess into another container, like a milk jug or coffee can.)

**2** Add clay-based kitty litter or absorbent material, like speedy dry or vermiculite, so that the can is 3/4 full.

**3** Stir paint/kitty litter mixture.

**4** If liquid paint remains, add more kitty litter.

**5** Allow paint/kitty litter mixture to air dry until it is no longer pourable. (This should take approximately 1-2 days.)

**6** Dispose of can in the garbage.



→ **DO NOT PUT THE LID BACK ON THE PAINT CAN!** Cans will not be picked up by your trash hauler if he/she can't see that the paint is dry.

→ **CHECK WITH YOUR TOWN TO SEE IF THEY WILL ACCEPT EMPTY CANS AND LIDS FOR RECYCLING.** If not, they go in the trash.

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## OIL-BASED PAINT DISPOSAL

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Oil-based paint is a combustible material. It must be disposed of at a Morris County Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Day. Please call 285-8391 for more information.