

# Don't Trash That!

## In the North Country of New Hampshire



Some things should not go in your trash because they are a **safety hazard** to workers and others at the transfer station.

**Please do not put these in the trash:**

### CHEMICALS, PESTICIDES, USED OIL, PAINT, AND OTHER HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTES (HHW)

#### Why Not?

- These materials can create a safety hazard for workers at the transfer station
- Leaks and spills can contaminate soil and water

#### Instead:

- Store carefully at home and bring to a HHW event; visit: [www.des.nh.gov](http://www.des.nh.gov), click on "A-Z List", choose "H" and click on "Household Hazardous Waste"
- Many transfer stations collect used oil separately – ask the attendant



### AMMUNITION, FLARES, FIREWORKS

#### Why Not?

- These materials can create a safety hazard for workers at the transfer station

#### Instead:

- Contact your local police or fire department and follow their instructions



### METAL OBJECTS

All type/sizes – including propane tanks

#### Why Not?

- Propane tanks of all sizes, even when empty present a safety hazard
- The transfer station generates income from selling scrap metal in bulk for recycling

#### Instead:

- Ask the transfer station attendant where to put propane tanks
- Put metal objects in the designated scrap metal collection area
- Put metal food & drink cans in their regular recycling bins



### LIQUIDS

All types

#### Why Not?

- Liquids make a mess at the transfer station; attract bees, rats, and other pests; and cause odors

#### Instead:

- If the liquid is from food/beverage, simply empty containers before disposal
- If the liquid is from chemicals, pesticides, used oil, paint, or other HHW – don't empty! Follow the HHW instructions above



More information about used oil at:

[www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/factsheets/oil/documents/oil-2.pdf](http://www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/pip/factsheets/oil/documents/oil-2.pdf)

More information about waste paint at:

[www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/p2au/pps/hhwp/paint/documents/paint\\_tips.pdf](http://www.des.nh.gov/organization/commissioner/p2au/pps/hhwp/paint/documents/paint_tips.pdf)