

## **Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County News**

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### **SWA's June Household Hazardous Waste Tip**

*~ Got a sinking feeling that your boat might harbor hazards? ~*

When exploring South Florida's beautiful natural environments, be watchful of what you leave in your wake. Items such as:

- flares
- fire extinguishers
- deep cycle batteries
- mercury float switches
- fuels and oils
- cleaning products and
- even boats themselves

all need to be disposed of properly.

Fortunately, proper disposal of many harmful boating products is easy and free for Palm Beach County residents. Just bring these items to any of the SWA's [Home Chemical and Recycling Centers](#) (HCRC) listed below, where they will be recycled or disposed of properly.

The SWA's locations include (from north county to south county):

- **Jupiter**

#### **North County Transfer Station**

14185 N. Military Trail (SWA Road) in Jupiter

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- **West Palm Beach**

#### **Home Chemical and Recycling Center**

6161 N. Jog Road in West Palm Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

- **Belle Glade**

**Glades Regional Transfer Station**

1701 State Road 15 in Belle Glade

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

- **Royal Palm Beach**

**West Central Transfer Station**

9743 Weisman Way (formerly Process Way) in Royal Palm Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- **Lantana**

**Central County Transfer Station**

1810 Lantana Road in Lantana

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 12 p.m.

- **Delray Beach – West**

**Southwest County Transfer Station**

13400 S. State Road 7 in Delray Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

- **Delray Beach – East**

**South County Transfer Station**

1901 SW 4th Ave. in Delray Beach

Monday - Friday: 7 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 7 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Commercial interests should call 561-687-1100 for disposal options.

In the last fiscal year, Palm Beach County residents safely disposed of or recycled more than 4.9M pounds of home chemicals. This included more than:

- 557,000 pounds of oils
- 230,400 pounds of cylinders, including fire extinguishers

- 95,000 pounds of fuels
- 85,000 pounds of batteries, including deep cycle batteries
- 45,000 pounds of cleaning products
- 300 pounds of flares
- and mercury float switches

Entire boats can be disposed of in the landfill at 6330 N. Jog Road in West Palm Beach after all of the hazardous materials such as fuel, batteries and flares have been removed by the owner or hauler. The removed materials are accepted at any of the [HCRC](#) locations listed above. To ensure the boat is hazard-free, SWA Hazardous Waste staff will inspect boats at the [Home Chemical and Recycling Center](#) located at 6161 N. Jog Road in West Palm Beach Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. SWA Landfill Operations staff will perform inspections outside of these hours. Built-in fuel tanks must be accessible for inspection, but resident should note that the SWA will not pump fuel from tanks. Disposal rates are based on weight. SWA staff cannot assist with offloading boats from trailers.

Proper disposal of old or expired hazardous boating items can be a real lifesaver. More disposal information for boaters can be found on [the SWA's website](#) or by calling 561-697-2700.

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*The Solid Waste Authority of Palm Beach County is a Dependent Special District that was created by the Florida Legislature in 1975. Since then, the SWA has developed an award-winning integrated solid waste management system to handle the county's waste and recyclables. We call ourselves AWAY: whether you throw it, recycle it or flush it AWAY, we put your waste to work. Each year, we:*

- Process more than 100,000 tons of [recyclables](#) each year
- Combust approximately 1.8 million tons of trash each year to generate electricity at [renewable energy facilities](#)
- Produce enough electricity to power approximately 74,000 homes, about the number of homes in Boca Raton and Palm Beach Gardens
- Recycle more than 150,000 tons of [wastewater treatment residuals](#) (sludge from flushes) into environmentally-friendly fertilizer
- Safely dispose of more than 4.9 million pounds of [home hazards](#) a year
- Collect water off of the roofs of [Renewable Energy Facility 2](#) and store it in a 2 million gallon cistern, which is used as part of the energy making process

*Please note: Florida has a very broad public records law. Most communications to or from the Solid Waste Authority are considered to be public records and will be made available to the public and the media upon request. Therefore, your e-mail message may be subject to public disclosure.*