

Recycling/Disposal of Vehicle Fluids/Other Wastes

	Recommended Management
Antifreeze	Accumulate in separate, marked, closed containers. Separate and label usable antifreeze and spent antifreeze. Separate ethylene glycol from propylene glycol for offsite recycling. Keep used antifreeze equipment separate from equipment used with other wastes to avoid contamination. If not recyclable, send to hazardous waste disposal facility.
Batteries	INTACT: Accumulate under cover prior to sale, deliver to recycler, or return to manufacturer. BROKEN: Accumulate acid from broken batteries in resistant containers with secondary containment. Send to hazardous waste disposal facility.
Brake fluid	Accumulate in separate, marked, closed container. Do not mix with waste oil. Contact disposal facility for recycle.
Fuel	Store gasoline, and diesel separately for use or resale. Mixtures of diesel, gasoline, oil, and other fluids may not be recyclable and may require expensive disposal.
Fuel filters	Drain fluids for use as product. With approval of local landfill operator, dispose of in dumpster if needed.
Oil filters	Puncture the filter dome and drain it for 24 hours. Put oil drained from filters into a "USED OIL ONLY" container. Keep drained filters in a separate container marked "USED OIL FILTERS ONLY." Locate a scrap metal dealer or other disposal facility who will pick up and recycle filters. With approval of local landfill operator, dispose of drained filters to dumpster.
Paint	Do not mix oil-based and water-based paints. Contact disposal facility to determine if the product type and amount is recyclable.
Shop towels/oily rags	Use cloth towels that can be laundered and reused. Accumulate used shop towels in a closed container. Use an industrial laundry service that can recycle towels.
Solvents	Consider using less hazardous solvents or switching to a spray cabinet that doesn't use solvent. Accumulate solvents separately. Consider purchasing a solvent still and recycling solvent on site. Do not mix with used oil. Do not evaporate as a means of disposal.
Used oils; including, crankcase oil, transmission oil, power steering fluid and differential/rear end oil	Keep used oil in a separate container marked "USED OIL ONLY." Do not mix with brake fluid or antifreeze. Do not mix with any other waste if burning for heating. Arrange for pickup for offsite recycling.
Windshield washer fluid	Use up or take to a hazardous waste facility. Small amounts that do not contain methanol may go to sanitary sewer with permission from Gig Harbor Public Works Department (253) 851-6170.

Ecology's Hazardous Waste Program developed this information.

Search "find a hazardous waste service provider" on Ecology's website (ecology.wa.gov) for a list of disposal sites.

Business owners can do their part to keep Washington's waterways clean.

For more information contact The City of Gig Harbor Public Works – Stormwater at (253) 853-2646

