

Hazardous Waste

Certain types of hazardous waste can cause physical injury to trash collection workers. These items include:

- Flammable/combustible - Can be easily set on fire.
- Explosive/reactive - Can detonate or explode through exposure to heat, sudden shock, pressure or incompatible substances.
- Corrosive - Chemical action can burn and destroy living tissues or other materials when brought in contact.
- Toxic - Capable of causing injury or death through ingestion, inhalation or skin absorption. Some toxic substances cause cancer, genetic mutations and fetal harm.

Proper Disposal of Hazardous Waste:

- Follow instructions on labels.
- Use up remaining products.
- Recycle.
- Refer to doctor for disposal of needles.
- Purchase only what you will need.
- Share leftover paints or chemicals.

Common Examples of Hazardous Waste:

- Paint
- Pesticide
- Ammonia
- Pool Chemicals
- Oils
- Needles