Carry this pocket guide with you to help make environmentally sound purchases. To use

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Household Hazardous Waste Program

The Nashua Regional Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Program helps residents to properly dispose of everyday corrosive, flammable, toxic, or reactive products used in the home, yard, and garden. It also provides education on ways to reduce the amount of HHW purchased. To learn more, visit: www.nashuarpc.org/hhw.

CLEANING

Carpet/Upholstery—club soda

Decal remover—soak in white vinegar

Drain cleaner—1/2 cup baking soda, 1/2 cup vinegar, 2 cups boiling H_2O

Mildew—equal parts vinegar & salt

Multi—1/2 cup ammonia, 1/3 cup vinegar, 1/4 cup baking soda, 1 gallon H₂0

Oven cleaner—2 tbsp liquid soap, 2 tsp borax, warm H₂o

Tub/Tile—1/4 cup baking soda, 1/2 cup vinegar, warm H₂o

GARAGE

Car battery corrosion—baking soda & H₂o

Grease removal—borax on damp cloth

Hand cleaner for paint/ grease—baby oil

Paint brush softener—hot vinegar

Rust removal—lemon juice, salt, sunlight

Rusty nut/bolt removal—carbonated beverage

Wood polish—3 parts olive oil, 1 part white vinegar

YARD

Ants—red chili powder at entry point

Fertilizer—compost

Flea & Tick—scatter pine needles, fennel, rye, or rosemary on pet's bed

Insects on plants—soapy water on leaves then rinse

Mosquito—citronella

Roach—chopped bay leaves and cucumber skins

Slug/snail—plant onion and marigold

SHOPPING LIST

Club soda Ammonia
Vinegar Liquid soap
Lemon juice Baby oil
Baking soda Olive oil
Cream of Tartar Chili powder
Salt Citronella
Borax Spices

This guide has a limited number of household items due to its size. For a full list of earth friendly alternatives, visit us at www.nashuarpc.org/hhw.

Even if you have made every effort to reduce and reuse hazardous substances, many households end up with products that they need to dispose of. Household hazardous waste should never be disposed of in the trash, since it can pollute the environment and harm human health. Instead, participate health. Sollection event:

Recycle

Before you buy a new hazardous household product, check your shelf. According to the US EPA, the average household can accumulate too pounds of HHW in their basements, garages, and storage closets. Chances are storage closets. Chances are or something similar alor something similar alwith family and friends.

Reuse

Reducing the amount of Household Hazardous Waste you generate starts with sound purchasing decisions. More often than not, earth friendly, non hazardous ous alternatives exist and are just as effective as their hazardous counterparts. Use this guide to help identify earth friendly alternatives to everyday HHW products.

Reduce

A buyer's guide to earthfriendly alternatives



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