Attention MRWMD Customers
State Hazardous Waste Law
Know the Rules!

Hazardous and other Prohibited Materials, as defined under California law, in any amount, may not be disposed at the Monterey Peninsula Landfill or the Materials Recovery Facility (MRF). All incoming loads are subject to waste screening procedures by District personnel. If hazardous materials are found in loads, the hauler is responsible for all costs associated with management of the hazardous material. In addition, the District may notify state and local regulatory agencies, including the Monterey County District Attorney’s office and the responsible party or parties may be subject to civil or criminal prosecution, or both. Illegal transport and disposal of hazardous materials is subject to penalties of up to $25,000 per day.

Examples of typical hazardous and other prohibited wastes that are not accepted for disposal at the landfill and MRF include:

- Friable Asbestos
- Paint and paint solvents
- Pesticides
- Flammable liquids
- Automotive products
- Antifreeze
- Acid and alkali solutions
- Cleaners
- Pool chemicals
- Photographic Chemicals
- Oil and oil filters
- Appliances
- Whole Tires & Car Bodies
- Fluorescent lamps
- Mercury switches, thermometers, thermostats
- PCB ballasts and transformers
- Batteries, all types
- Electronic wastes
- CRT’s, Televisions and computer monitors
- Propane and other compressed gas tanks
- Medications and other Pharmaceuticals
- Explosives
- Medical and Infectious Wastes
- Radioactive materials
- Decommissioned radioactive materials
- Also prohibited are all materials considered Toxic, Corrosive, Reactive, or Flammable

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility located next to the Last Chance Mercantile accepts hazardous wastes from households and small businesses. Contact District staff or visit our website (www.mrwmd.org) for more information on this program.

If you have any questions on what materials are considered hazardous, you can contact the Monterey County Environmental Health Division at (831) 755-4511.

Any questions on these policies should be directed to the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (MRWMD) Administrative Office at (831) 384-5313.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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