



Large Volume Pick-Up (LVP) Service

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PaintCare offers a free pick-up service to painting contractors, property managers, households, and others with large amounts of leftover architectural paint.

Who is PaintCare?

PaintCare Inc. is a non-profit organization established by the American Coatings Association to operate paint stewardship programs on behalf of paint manufacturers in states that pass paint stewardship laws.

Paint Drop-Off Sites

In states with a paint stewardship program, PaintCare's primary effort is to set up conveniently located drop-off sites—places where residents and businesses may take their unwanted paint for no charge. Sites set their own limits on the volume of paint they accept from customers per visit (usually from 5 to 20 gallons). To find a drop-off site near you, please use PaintCare's site locator at www.paintcare.org or call (855) 724-6809.

Large Volume Pick-Ups

For those who have accumulated a large volume of paint, PaintCare also offers a pick-up service. Large volume means at least 200 gallons, measured by container size (not content). On a case-by-case basis, PaintCare may approve a pick-up for less than 200 gallons if there are no drop-off sites in your area. After two or three pick-ups, you may be switched to a regular service (see next page).

Drums and Bulked Paint Are Not Accepted

PaintCare only accepts paint in containers that are 5 gallons or smaller in size. Leave paint in original cans with original labels; do not combine or bulk paint from small cans into larger ones. If you have unwanted paint in drums or containers larger than 5 gallons, please contact a licensed paint recycling company or a hazardous waste transportation company to assist you.

HOW TO REQUEST A LARGE VOLUME PICK-UP

1) Sort and count your paint

We need to know the number of each container size and the type of products you have, sorted into two categories: (1) water-based paints and stains and (2) oil-based paint and stains and any other program products (sealers and clear top-coat products, such as varnish and shellac).

2) Fill out the LVP Request Form and send it in

Fill out a paper or electronic version of the "Large Volume Pick-Up Request Form" and return it to PaintCare online or by email, fax, or regular mail. (Visit www.paintcare.org or call PaintCare for the form.)

Scheduling

After reviewing your form, PaintCare staff will either approve your site for a pick-up or inform you of the best place to take your paint if you do not meet the requirements. If approved, you will be put in contact with our licensed hauler to schedule a pick-up. It may be several weeks before your pick-up occurs.

On the Day of Your Pick-Up

Sort your products into the two categories noted above and store them in an area that has easy access. If the paint is a far distance from where the hauler parks, the path between should be at least four feet wide to accommodate movement of the boxes.



Businesses, please plan to have staff available to pack the paint cans into the boxes. The hauler may be able to provide some assistance, but we require your staff to be present and provide labor to pack boxes. Once your paint is properly packed and loaded onto the hauler's truck, you will sign a shipping document and receive a copy for your records. Your paint will then be taken to an authorized processing facility for recycling.

Note: Paint must be in original containers and not leaking.

Repeat Service for Large Volume Users

For businesses that generate large volumes of unwanted paint on a regular basis, a service for recurring direct pick-ups is available. With this service, you will be provided with empty bins, then request a pick-up when at least three bins are filled. PaintCare will provide onsite training on how to properly pack the paint, and you will be required to sign a contract with PaintCare.

Limits on Businesses

To use the program for oil-based products, your waste must qualify as exempt under federal (40 CFR § 262.14) and state/local hazardous waste generator rules. Most notably, these rules require that your business (a) generates no more than 220 pounds (about 20-30 gallons, depending on type) of hazardous waste per month, and (b) accumulates no more than 2,200 pounds (approximately 220 gallons) of hazardous waste at any given time. If your business fails to qualify as an exempt generator, it will not be able to use the program for oil-based products. For more information on the federal hazardous generator rules, please go to www.paintcare.org/limits.

Note: When calculating how much hazardous waste you generate in a month, do not count latex paint.

If You Have Products We Don't Accept

The program does not accept all paints (such as aerosols and automotive finishes) or other hazardous waste. If you have solvents, thinners, pesticides, or any non-PaintCare products (see list to right for examples), we recommend that residents contact their local household hazardous waste (HHW) program. Some HHW programs allow businesses to use their program for a modest fee. Otherwise, businesses should contact a licensed hazardous waste transportation company.

What Products Are Covered?

The products accepted at PaintCare drop-off sites are the same products that have a fee when they are sold. PaintCare Products include interior and exterior architectural coatings sold in containers of 5 gallons or less. However, they do not include aerosol products (spray cans), industrial maintenance (IM), original equipment manufacturer (OEM), or specialty coatings.

PAINTCARE PRODUCTS

- ◆ Interior and exterior architectural paints: latex, acrylic, water-based, alkyd, oil-based, enamel (including textured coatings)
- ◆ Deck coatings, floor paints
- ◆ Primers, sealers, undercoaters
- ◆ Stains
- ◆ Shellacs, lacquers, varnishes, urethanes
- ◆ Waterproofing concrete/masonry/wood sealers and repellents (not tar or bitumen-based)
- ◆ Metal coatings, rust preventatives
- ◆ Field and lawn paints

NON-PAINTCARE PRODUCTS

- ◆ Paint thinners, mineral spirits, solvents
- ◆ Aerosol paints (spray cans)
- ◆ Auto and marine paints
- ◆ Art and craft paints
- ◆ Caulking compounds, epoxies, glues, adhesives
- ◆ Paint additives, colorants, tints, resins
- ◆ Wood preservatives (containing pesticides)
- ◆ Roof patch and repair
- ◆ Asphalt, tar, and bitumen-based products
- ◆ 2-component coatings
- ◆ Deck cleaners
- ◆ Traffic and road marking paints
- ◆ Industrial Maintenance (IM) coatings
- ◆ Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) (shop application) paints and finishes



Information for Painting Contractors

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Minnesota's Paint Stewardship Program began in November 2014.

Minnesota's paint stewardship law requires paint manufacturers to set up and operate a paint stewardship program for the state. This program is funded by a fee on each container of architectural paint sold in the Minnesota. The program sets up drop-off sites at retail stores and other locations across the state where households and businesses are able to take most types of leftover paint for recycling, free of charge.

Paint Stewardship

The American Coatings Association (ACA) worked with various stakeholders interested in the management of postconsumer paint to develop a Paint Stewardship Program in the United States. PaintCare Inc. is a nonprofit organization established by ACA to implement the program on behalf of paint manufacturers in states that adopt paint stewardship laws. PaintCare has programs in California, Colorado, Connecticut, District of Columbia, Maine, Minnesota, Oregon, Rhode Island, and Vermont. PaintCare is currently developing a program for Washington, expected to launch in 2020.

The main goals of the program are to decrease paint waste and recycle more postconsumer paint by setting up convenient drop-off sites in each PaintCare state.



Fees and Funding

As required by state law, a paint stewardship assessment (PaintCare Fee) must be added by manufacturers to the wholesale price of all architectural paint sold in the state. This fee is paid by manufacturers to PaintCare to fund setting up drop-off sites for leftover, postconsumer paint, and for the transportation, recycling, and proper disposal of that paint. The fees also pay for consumer education and program administrative costs. Fees may vary from state to state. Effective September 1, 2017, Minnesota fees per container are as follows:

\$ 0.00 — Half pint or smaller

\$ 0.49 — Larger than half pint up to smaller than 1 gallon

\$ 0.99 — 1 gallon up to 2 gallons

\$ 1.99 — Larger than 2 gallons up to 5 gallons

The law also requires that each distributor and retailer include the PaintCare Fee with their sale price of architectural paint. Displaying the fee on invoices and receipts is not mandatory for distributors or retailers; however, PaintCare encourages them to show the fee and list it as PaintCare Fee to aid in customer education.

Notice for Painting Contractors

It is expected that contractors will pass the fees on to their customers in order to recoup the fees they pay.

When estimating jobs, contractors should take these fees into account by checking with your suppliers to make sure the quotes for paint products include the fees. You should also let your customers know that you will be including these fees in your quotes.

Paint Drop-Off Sites

PaintCare has established more than 250 paint drop-off sites across Minnesota. Most drop-off sites are paint stores. Other sites include certain solid waste transfer stations, recycling centers, and government-sponsored household hazardous waste programs. Participation as a drop-off site is voluntary.

Use of Retail Drop-Off Sites by Businesses

Retail drop-off sites provide a convenient and no cost recycling option for painting contractors and other businesses. Businesses that generate less than 220 pounds of hazardous waste* per month will be able to use these sites to recycle all PaintCare products (both water and oil-based) with some restrictions on quantities per month.

Larger businesses (those that generate more than 220 pounds of hazardous waste per month) may use the drop-off sites for their water-based PaintCare products only; they are not able to use the sites for oil-based paint or other solvent-based products.

**220 pounds is about 20-30 gallons of paint. When counting how much hazardous waste you generate in a month, oil-based paint counts (because by law it is a hazardous waste), but latex and other water-based paint does not count toward the 220 pound monthly total.*



Pick-Up Service for Large Volumes

Businesses with at least 200 gallons of postconsumer paint to recycle may qualify to have their paint picked up by PaintCare at no additional cost. To learn more about this service or to request an appointment, please visit www.paintcare.org/pickup or call (855) 724-6809.

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