PAINT RECYCLING MADE EASY
PAINTCARE

Do you know where to recycle your paint?

There are more than 75 PaintCare sites in Maine where households and businesses can recycle any brand of unwanted paint stain, varnish all year-round. IT'S FREE, most locations are paint stores. Paint Care sites accept house paint and primers, stains, sealers, clear coatings (shellac, varnish). They DO NOT accept aerosols (spray cans), solvents and products intended for industrial or non-architectural use. The products that are accepted are referred to as "Program Products" or "Architectural Paint".

Who is PaintCare?

PaintCare is a nonprofit that operates Maine’s paint stewardship program on behalf of paint manufacturers. Funding comes from a fee on the sale of new paint as of October 1, 2015. The fee is: 35 cents for pints and quarts, 75 cents for gallon cans, $1.6 for 5 gallon buckets. There is no charge for dropping off leftover paint, no matter how old it is. **The cans/buckets cannot be leaking and the label must be on the cans/buckets or they WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

To find a drop-off location: www.paintcare.org or call 855-724-6809. Here are a few of the listed locations:  Bangor - Color Concept 942-9625, Sherwin-Williams 942-8119  Brewer - Aubuchon 989-5669.

All PaintCare sites accept up to 5 gallons per visit. Please call ahead to confirm business hours and ask if they can accept the type and amount of paint that you would like to recycle as well as how they would like to accept the paints.