



WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO RECYCLE USED OIL?

• Recycling Used Oil Prevents Pollution

Each year in California an estimated 50 million gallons of used oil are not recycled and are likely dumped on the ground, in landfills, or poured down drains. This oil is a toxic waste, and can eventually contaminate local ground water supplies and streams.

Just one quart of used oil will contaminate 250,000 gallons of pure water.

• Recycling Used Oil Saves Resources

Used oil that is brought to a Collection Center is hauled to a recycling facility where it is re-refined into new products. These include new lubricating oil, fuel and other petroleum products. Using recycled oil for these products reduces our dependence on virgin natural resources.

• Recycling Used Oil Saves money

When you recycle your oil at an approved Collection Center, you can get paid 16¢ per gallon. When we recycle oil and prevent it from polluting waterways, we save tax dollars that might be otherwise needed for expensive clean up costs. Also, by recycling oil, we decrease demand on oil production, which contributes to keeping future oil prices down.

Do not pour used oil on the ground, down the drain, or put it in your garbage. This will pollute ground water supplies and streams.



WHERE CAN I RECYCLE MY USED OIL?

Siskiyou County has several Used Oil Collection Centers where you can recycle your oil, and get paid the recycling incentive fee of 16¢ per gallon.

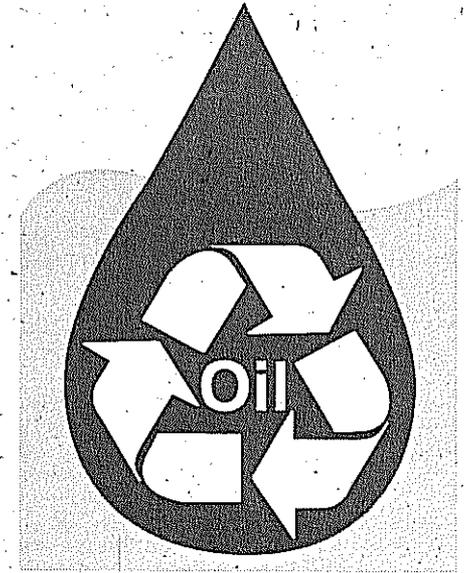
Location	Comments	Hours
Yreka		
The Oil Changer 1256 S. Main St., Yreka	F	Mon-Fri, 9-6 Sat, 9-4
Schuck's Auto Supply 1904 Ft. Jones Rd., Yreka		Mon-Fri, 8-8 Sat, 8-7 Sun, 8-6
Mt. Shasta		
Black Butte Landfill Springhill Rd., Mt. Shasta	F	Fri-Tues, 11-5 (summer 11-6)
Schuck's Auto Supply 124 Morgan Way, Mt. Shasta		Mon-Sat, 8-7 Sun, 8-6
Freeman's Fast Lube 500 N. Mt. Shasta Blvd., Mt. Shasta	F	Mon-Fri, 8-4
Shasta Lube & Oil 805 N. Mt. Shasta Blvd., Mt. Shasta	F	Mon-Fri, 8-5:30 Sat, 9-4
Fort Jones		
Valley Tire Highway 3, Ft. Jones		Mon-Fri, 9-5 Sat, 9-1
McCloud		
McCloud Transfer / Recycling Center, 964-2017 Highway 89, McCloud		Wed, 9-3 Sat, 9-5
Happy Camp		
Happy Camp Landfill Highway 96, Happy Camp	F	Fri-Sun, 10-5 (summer, 10-6)
Tulelake		
Tulelake Landfill Highway 161, Tulelake	F	Thurs-Mon, 11-4 (summer, 11-5)

Comments: F = oil filters accepted at no charge.

1-800-CLEANUP
Call center for hours of operation
and quantities accepted

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a simple step to help the environment...



RECYCLE USED OIL

*Help prevent pollution,
conserve energy ~ and save money!*

*Take your used oil
to a Used Oil Collection Center
for recycling*

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WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW?

California residents may bring in up to 20 gallons of used oil per day in no larger than 5-gallon containers.

Take your used oil to one of the collection centers listed on the back of this brochure.

Please follow these recommendations:

After draining the oil from your engine, put it in a clean plastic bottle (such as a milk jug) with a tight fitting lid. Or you may wish to buy a special oil drain pan / container, available at auto or hardware stores. The container should have a spout for pouring, to prevent spillage. Also to prevent spillage, do not fill the container too full.

Do not use paint cans, metal containers, or plastic bottles that once held bleach, cleaners, gasoline, antifreeze or solvents. Their residue can contaminate the oil.

Oil that contains water, antifreeze, paint thinner, gasoline, or other contaminants cannot be accepted.

A few ounces of chlorinated solvents, such as carburetor or brake cleaner, can render an entire 500 gallon tank of used oil a non-recyclable hazardous waste. Solvents, antifreeze, gasoline and water contaminate used oil and result in very costly disposal fees.



WHAT IF MY OIL IS CONTAMINATED?

Hold onto the contaminated oil, and dispose of it properly at an authorized Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection site or event. (See section on HHW at far right.)



WHO PAYS FOR THIS PROGRAM?

This program is made possible through cooperative efforts between the county, the state and local businesses:

A 1991 state law established the assessment of a 16¢ per gallon recycling incentive fee on lubricating oil sold in California. The money collected funds oil recycling programs, administered by the California Integrated Waste Management Board.

The county's Used Oil Recycling Program is funded by a grant from the California Integrated Waste Management Board. In addition, Siskiyou County Department of Public Works, the California Conservation Corps, the Regional Council of Rural Counties, and local businesses contribute to the program's operation.



Special thanks to business owners who voluntarily provide this service to their communities!

You can help by choosing to donate your 16¢ per gallon to the Used Oil Recycling Program.

Operating a Used Oil Recycling Program is expensive. Grant funds have offset many costs, but future grant availability is uncertain. Some people choose to not collect their 16¢ per gallon Recycling Incentive Payment, but donate it, in order to help the program to continue and expand. If you should choose to do so **THANK YOU!**

**BE PART OF THE SOLUTION-
PUT USED OIL IN ITS PLACE**



CAN I RECYCLE OTHER KINDS OF OIL?

Yes however, the 16¢ per gallon fee is paid only for lubricating oil intended for use in an engine, crankcase or differential. Other oils accepted include heating oils, transmission fluid, hydraulic oils, diesel, gear oil, and power steering fluid. The same limitations apply of a 20 gallon limit per day in no larger than 5-gallon containers.



WHAT ABOUT OTHER HAZARDOUS WASTES?

Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW) refer to toxic substances used around the home, such as paint, garden chemicals, cleaning products and batteries.

These wastes must be disposed of at approved HHW facilities. It is illegal to dispose of HHW in landfills, on the ground, or down drains.

The toxic chemicals will eventually pollute ground water, or nearby streams and lakes. These pollutants are extremely costly to clean up.

Siskiyou County is working on long term solutions to safe, convenient disposal of Household Hazardous Wastes. Several HHW Collection events have been held in the past, and future events will occur based on funding availability. Until a permanent, ongoing program is implemented, hold onto the wastes and dispose of them properly at a HHW facility. Currently the following HHW can be disposed as follows:

Auto Batteries - accepted at no charge at landfills

Latex Paint - can be disposed if it is dry and hardened, not wet. Pour the paint onto a board or other surface, allow to dry and harden, then dispose at a landfill.

Oil filters - may be recycled at locations noted on the back of this brochure. Before disposing, drain oil filters completely for 24 hours (you may need to puncture the top of canister to break the vacuum) and dispose of the oil at any used oil collection center.