



HOW DO I DISPOSE OF \_\_\_\_\_?  
(Fill in the blank)

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At the Chester County Solid Waste Authority (CCSWA), we get hundreds of inquiries each year that begin with those words. Some of the unusual things people have asked us about include:

- Credit cards, water filters, taxidermy, and plastic soda rings. (These can all go in trash; NOT for recycling collection.)
- And what about road flares, pepper spray, and nail polish remover? (For these, you should register for a Household Hazardous Waste event.)
- Are you confused about how to recycle right? Watch our video [here](#).

Why is this important? Mostly because it demonstrates the Chester County public is concerned about solid waste generation and disposal. Chester County's population is *growing*, and *everyone* creates trash for our two landfills. Can something be repaired, donated or reused? Can the item be recycled somewhere other than your convenient curbside or drop off system?



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The CCSWA operates the Lanchester Landfill and Reclamation Center (LLARC) for the northern county region. Our [website](#), offers guidance for disposal of many products with our **A-Z list**, composting resources, curbside and drop off recycling, donations, hazardous waste, electronics, light bulbs, and batteries. There are a few videos you can watch, too.

The Southeastern Chester County Refuse Authority operates the SECCRA Landfill for the southern region. See their website [here](#).

Both landfills offer ways to contact them for more specific guidance depending on where you live.

Thanks for being Trash Smart!

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