

Latex Paint Disposal Guide

1. LET IT HARDEN

- If you have a small amount of paint left (just one or two inches), you can remove the lid and leave your paint out to dry. Remember to keep it out of reach from any kids or animals.
- Once hardened, toss it in the garbage, leaving the lid off so waste collectors can verify it has been solidified.

2. DRY IT OUT

- If you have too much paint to dry out in the can, you can line a cardboard box with plastic and pour about an inch of paint in the bottom. Once that layer has solidified, pour another on top, and wait for it to dry.
- Repeat this process until the can is empty, and then dispose of the box.

3. ADD CAT LITTER

- Combine equal parts cat litter and paint (if you have over half of a can left, you may need to pour paint into a larger plastic or cardboard container). Stir completely. The mixture should harden in about 10 minutes, but if it is still runny or soft afterwards, add more litter until it is thick. Allow the mixture to sit for one hour, then dispose of it (without a lid) in the garbage.
- Sawdust, dirt, or shredded paper may be substituted for cat litter. Adjust proportions as necessary.

4. ADD PAINT HARDENER

- Commercial paint hardener can be purchased to turn liquid paint into a solid for curbside disposal. Follow directions as listed on the product. The results should be a tacky, oatmeal-like consistency that will not spill out of the can.