

Questions?

Lexington County Solid Waste Management
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<https://lex-co.sc.gov> → Solid Waste Management

Collection and Recycling Centers

Available to Lexington County residents for material brought from primary residence. Driver's license or other proof of residency may be required. Material generated from businesses, including rentals, schools, and churches, may NOT be taken to these sites.

Locations

1. **Ball Park Rd** – 301 Ball Park Rd, Lexington
2. **Bush River Rd** – 6109 Bush River Rd, Columbia
3. **Chapin** - 103 Distant Ln, Chapin
4. **Edmund** – 325 Landfill Ln, Lexington
5. **Hollow Creek** – 125 Beulah Church Rd, Gilbert
6. **Leesville** – 702 South Lee St., Leesville
7. **Pelion** – 1325 South Pine St., Pelion
8. **River Chase** – 110 River Chase Way, Lexington
9. **Sandhills** – 3241 Charleston Hwy, Cayce
10. **Southeast** – 538 Martin Neese Rd., Swansea
11. **Summit** – 419 Sandpit Rd., Leesville

Hours

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. & Sun 3-7 p.m.

Closed Tuesdays & Thursdays

Closed New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (open other holidays unless on a Tue or Thur)

Edmund Landfill

Most materials are accepted from Lexington County residents at no charge (with a driver's license or other proof of residency) and from businesses for a fee.

Location

498 Landfill Ln, Lexington, SC 29073

Hours

Mon to Sat, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. (closed Sundays)
Closed New Year's Day, Independence Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day (open other holidays)

Only Rain in Storm Drains!



Never pour paint, stain or cleaning water from painting projects into stormdrains or allow it to make its way into stormdrains.

Small amounts turn into big problems. This liquid ends up in our creeks, ponds, rivers and lakes, harming plants, marine life and animals that drink the water.

Questions about Storm Drains?

Lexington County Community Development

803-785-8121

or

Lexington Countywide Stormwater Consortium

www.lcswc.com



Safe Disposal

of

Paint

and

Painting Supplies

In Lexington County, SC



How to Dispose of Paints and Stains



Latex-based paints (which can be cleaned with soap and water) are **not considered hazardous**. However the liquid causes expensive damage to equipment, roads, cars, and more when compacted so proper disposal is very important.

Latex-based paints must be **completely dried** with kitty litter, sand, saw dust or other drying material and may then be discarded by residents in the HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE compactor at one of Lexington County's 11 Collection and Recycling Centers or at the Edmund Landfill. Be prepared to prove that the paint has been **completely dried**.

Oil-based paints and stains

(which typically have a very strong smell and must be cleaned with thinner or solvent, not water) **are considered hazardous**.



The preferred method of disposal for oil-based paints and stains is to bring them to a Hazardous Waste Drop-off Event for recycling. However, South Carolina state regulations allow residents to dispose of small quantities of **completely dry** oil-based paints and stains from their home at Collection and Recycling Centers or at the Edmund Landfill.

Hazardous Waste Drop-off Events

Lexington County residents may bring up to eight gallons of liquid paint and stains (both latex and oil based) to each drop-off event held by Lexington County's Solid Waste Management department and the Lexington Countywide Stormwater Consortium. Go to <https://lex-co.sc.gov> → Solid Waste Management for the drop-off event schedule or call (803) 755-3325.

Paint and Stain Drying & Disposal Steps

1. If there is less than one inch of paint or stain in the can, leave the can open in a sunny area and let it dry out until you are comfortable holding the can upside down.
2. If the paint can is more than half full, pour some into another container.
3. Add an absorbent material such as kitty litter, sand, wood chips, saw dust, mulch, or cement in an amount equal to the paint or use a commercial paint drying product.
4. Leave it one hour or overnight to ensure the paint or stain is **completely soaked up**.
5. Add more absorbent material if needed.
6. Take the paint cans to a Collection and Recycling Center or to the Edmund Landfill and be prepared to prove that all paint has dried up.



Leftover Paints and Stains from Businesses

Latex-based paints generated by businesses may be dried as described above and may then be discarded with household garbage. Large amounts should be taken in the liquid form to a hazardous waste vendor. South Carolina state regulations prohibit hazardous material generated by businesses, including oil-based paints and stains used by professional painters, from being disposed of in household garbage. They must be disposed of with a hazardous waste vendor. For assistance and for a list of vendors, contact Lexington County's Recycling Coordinator, Traude Sander, at 803-785-3340 or tsander@lex-co.com.

Disposal of Paint Supplies

Brushes, rollers, rags, pans, and drop cloths may be discarded in tightly sealed garbage bags in HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE at the curb, at Collection and Recycling Centers or at the Edmund Landfill. Heavily saturated materials should be cleaned or left in the sun to dry before being bagged and discarded to prevent fires and other damage. Please keep in mind that materials will be compacted multiple times before being landfilled so bags are not enough to prevent leakage. It is **crucial that all paint materials are thoroughly dry before being discarded** to prevent expensive damage from paint transfer and fires.



There's an App for That

To find out how and where to dispose of or recycle almost any item in Lexington County, download the FREE "**Lexington County SC Solidwaste**" app from your Smart phone and use the "Waste Wizard" feature.

Don't have a smart phone? Use the online version of the Waste Wizard at <https://lex-co.sc.gov>
→ Solid Waste Management → Recycling.

