

## PaintCare Program Information

In October 2012, a California law was passed which requires the paint and coatings industry to develop a way to manage architectural paint purchased by the public. The County of Santa Barbara now has a contract to collect the paint under this program, which is administered by the industry group PaintCare. Businesses will no longer be charged a disposal fee for any paint which falls under the list of “Program Products”. However, a facility fee of \$23.50 will continue to be charged to cover handling and administrative costs.

Businesses will still be limited to 27 gallons per month; however, in cases where a business has over 300 gallons, it can contact PaintCare directly for collection of the paint by going to their website, [www.PaintCare.org](http://www.PaintCare.org). Additionally, if a business produces more than 27 gallons of hazardous waste per month, it can use the facility for its latex paint, but not for its oil-based paint per California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) regulations.

In order to qualify as a “Program Product”, the paint must not be mixed with any other product, it must be in its original container with its original label, and the container cannot be leaking. The facility staff will have the discretion to determine whether paint is acceptable or not under the program. Please see the list below for examples of acceptable and unacceptable products.

### “Program Products”:

- Interior and exterior architectural paints: latex, acrylic, water-based, alkyd, oil-based, enamel (all types of finishes and sheens, including textured coatings)
- Deck coatings, floor paints (including elastomeric)
- Primers, sealers, undercoats
- Stains
- Shellacs, lacquers, varnishes, urethanes (single component)
- Waterproofing concrete/masonry/wood sealers and repellents (not tar or bitumen-based)
- Swimming pool paints (single component)
- Metal coatings, rust preventatives

### “Non-Program Products”:

- Paint thinners, mineral spirits, solvents
- Aerosol paints (spray cans)
- Auto, marine, traffic/road marking, art/craft paints
- Caulking compounds, epoxies, glues, adhesives
- Paint additives, colorants, tints, resins
- Wood preservatives
- Roof patch and repair
- Tar and bitumen-based products
- 2-component coatings
- Deck cleaners
- Industrial Maintenance (IM) coatings
- Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) (shop application) paints and finishes