



Pollution Prevention

Mercury Thermometer Exchange Program

Why Should I Worry About My Thermometer?

People are most commonly exposed to mercury by way of broken fever thermometers. A typical old-fashioned thermometer contains about a half gram of mercury. Oral thermometers are often used and stored in the bathroom and, when they break, mercury gets washed down the drain. Because mercury can contaminate the air, soil and water when the thermometer is broken, it is strongly suggested old-fashioned thermometers not be simply thrown away. To reduce the risk of hazardous waste contamination, the Napa Sanitation District will replace your old thermometer with a new digital one that does not contain mercury.

Where Can I Get One?

The digital thermometers can be picked up from the Napa Sanitation District located at 935 Hartle Court, Napa, CA 94558. For more information, you can also contact the Pollution Prevention & Source Control Department at 707-258-6000 extension 502.

Residents are encouraged to drop off mercury-containing thermometers at the Napa-Vallejo Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility located at 889 A Devlin Road, American Canyon, CA.

What Do I Have To Do?

All you need to do is print out this form, fill it out, and bring it to your local exchange station and you're done!

I certify that I have or will exchange _____ mercury thermometer(s)
for _____ non-mercury thermometer(s).

Date: ____/____/____

Name: _____
Please Print

Signature: _____

