



# Illinois paint recycling

## FREE DROP-OFF at Ace Hardware, Yorkville Sherwin Williams, Yorkville

1. **Prepare Your Paint:** Ensure paint is in its original container with the manufacturer's label.
2. **Drop Off:** Take up to 5 gallons per visit (some sites accept more), but call ahead to confirm hours and acceptance.

**Accepted Products:** Latex/acrylic, oil-based paints, primers, stains, sealers, and varnishes for buildings are accepted.

**Not Accepted:** Aerosol (spray) paint, leaking containers, unlabeled, or empty containers.

Illinois has a new, free statewide paint take-back program run by **PaintCare**, effective December 1, 2025, allowing households and businesses to recycle leftover architectural paints, stains, and varnishes at hundreds of retail and local government drop-off sites, funded by a small fee on new paint sales, with locations found by searching your zip code on the PaintCare website. [This initiative, established by the Illinois Paint Stewardship Act \(P.A. 103-372\)](#), aims to keep paint out of landfills and make recycling convenient.