

RECYCLE USED MOTOR OIL 2018

Nearly a billion gallons of motor oil are used by Americans every year and 350 million gallons of oil end up polluting the environment because of improper disposal methods. Used motor oil is often contaminated with lead (from gasoline), magnesium, copper, zinc, PCB's and other heavy metals which are picked up from engines. These heavy metals can contaminate our drinking water and cause health problems. The Coachella Valley Association of Governments will be hosting a series of used oil filter exchange events to encourage residents to recycle. These events are open to all Coachella Valley residents.



WHY RECYCLE?

Throwing oil in the trash – even in an airtight container – is just like pouring it on the ground. The oil will seep out and leach into ground water when containers are crushed. A quart of motor oil can pollute 250,000 gallons of water. Just one part oil per million parts water will make drinking water smell and taste funny. We make our own oil spills: over half of all oil-related pollution in the U.S. is caused by improper disposal of used motor oil.

RECYCLE CLEAN

Use a clean, dirt-free drain pan that can hold as many quarts as your car's oil pan. Don't mix solvents, water, or any other liquid in with motor oil. Store used motor oil in a container that won't leak and has a screw-on cap (a plastic gallon milk container, for example). Bring your container to one of the certified used oil recycling centers listed to the right or visit www.calrecycle.ca.gov/UsedOil for a list of additional centers.

SIMPLE THINGS TO DO

If you get your oil changed at a gas station, check first to make sure they recycle the used oil. If you change your own oil (and about 50% of Americans do) recycle it at a certified collection center. Go to www.calrecycle.ca.gov/UsedOil to locate a collection center near you!

- * Bring your used oil filters to the event and receive a replacement filter (of equal or lesser value) for FREE. Limit two free filters per person.
- Participants will also receive a shop rag, funnel, and drainer container FREE (while supplies last).
- Bring your used oil for recycling.

March - June 2018

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| **Saturday, March 3, 2018 | Saturday, March 24, 2018 | Sunday, March 25, 2018 | Saturday, April 7, 2018 |
| AutoZone | AutoZone | AutoZone | AutoZone |
| 73605 Highway 111 Palm Desert, CA | 50-700 Harrison St. Coachella, CA | 12660 Palm Drive Desert Hot Springs, CA | 1717 E Vista Chino Dr Palm Springs, CA |
| 8:00 am to 11:00 am (760) 340-6331 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (760) 398-8902 | 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (760) 329-1072 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (760) 320-0617 |
| **Limit of 1 free filter per person. | | | |
| Sunday, April 8, 2018 | Saturday, May 19, 2018 | Sunday, May 20, 2018 | Saturday, June 2, 2018 |
| AutoZone | AutoZone | AutoZone | AutoZone |
| 32375 Date Palm Drive Cathedral City, CA | 78792 Highway 111 La Quinta, CA | 812 East Hobson Way Blythe, CA | 50-700 Harrison St. Coachella, CA |
| 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (760) 324-9579 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (760) 771-1858 | 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (760) 922-0544 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (760) 398-8902 |



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