

Prior to bringing your old mower to the Transfer Station for disposal, you are required to drain the oil and gasoline. If you don't, the residual oil and gasoline leaks from the lawnmower and finds its way to the catch basin where it could be introduced into our water system. The introduction of chemicals into the environment is against the law and is a violation of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, Phase II.

Before Starting:

- Disconnect your spark plug to prevent accidental starting.
- Avoid smoking or flames when working on a lawnmower

You will need:

- A container to catch your oil
- A separate container for your gasoline
- An adjustable wrench, or appropriate size socket
- A pair of gloves

Draining the Oil

Depending on your type of machine, the oil may be drained by removing an Oil Drain Plug located under the mower housing just above the blade. To get to it, put your lawn mower up on a couple of cinderblocks. Then, with a basin to catch the used oil, remove the plug and allow the oil to drain until it stops dripping out of the mower.



Disposing of the oil:

The engine oil can be brought to the Transfer Station and disposed of in the waste oil tank. There is no charge for the disposal of waste oil. Mix oil and gas is not accepted at the Transfer Station, please bring that material to a Household Hazardous Waste Day.

Emptying the gas tank:

The easiest way to empty the gas tank is by allowing the lawnmower to run until its gas tank is empty. If you can't run it dry, you may siphon the gas into a container.

Disposal of the gasoline:

Old gasoline can be disposed of at any one of the Regional Household Hazardous Waste Days. The events are held on various Saturdays from 9 am to 1 pm. The collections start in May and run until October. The dates and locations are advertised in the newspaper and on Channel 2. There is no charge for residents at Household Hazardous Waste Day.

Once your old mower is empty of oil and gasoline it can be disposed at the Flanders Road Transfer Station as scrap metal at no charge.