



SUBSTITUTES FOR HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Replace the following hazardous products with ones less environmentally harmful. The hazardous cleaners are listed in bold face, followed by the suggested substitute.

AMMONIA-BASED CLEANERS: Sprinkle Baking Soda on a damp sponge. For windows, use a solution of 2 Tbs. White Vinegar to 1 qt. water. Place the mixture into a spray bottle.

DISINFECTANTS: Use Borax: ½ cup in a gallon of water; deodorizes.

SCOURING CLEANERS AND POWDERS: Sprinkle baking soda on a damp sponge or add 4 Tbs. baking soda to 1 qt. warm water or use Bon Ami. It's cheaper and won't scratch.

CARPET/UPHOLSTERY CLEANERS: Sprinkle dry cornstarch or baking soda on stain, then vacuum. For tougher stains, blot with white vinegar in soapy water.

TOILET CLEANERS: Sprinkle baking soda or Bon Ami and then scrub with a toilet brush.

FURNITURE/FLOOR POLISHES: To clean use oil soap and warm water. Dry with soft cloth. Polish with 1-part lemon juice to 2-part oil (any kind) or use natural products with lemon oil or beeswax in mineral oil.