



CHEMICALS

(POISONS)
(SOLVENTS)

West Manheim Twp. Police Dept.

Property Manual



1
Mark container with identifiers such as name or initials and date. Use caution not to inhale or ingest contents since they may be toxic. Work in a well-ventilated area.



2
Place in metal can of appropriate size. Do not store any volatile substance that may emit vapors in plastic containers. Vapors will penetrate plastic.



3
Attach lid securely and seal with evidence tape. Affix tag to side with clear tape.

Points of Interest

- If sending to lab, fold *Lab Request* form in half and attach to top of can with clear tape in a manner that top half of Lab Request is viewable. *Solvents* should be **refrigerated** prior to examination.
- **Ignitable liquid** collection should be limited to *two-ounce sample(s)*.
- *Protect nozzles* on spray or aerosol cans from contact causing unintended release of contents.
- **Bags, socks, etc.**, containing chemicals from *inhalant abuse* should be packaged the same as Chemicals.
- If properties of chemical dictate *special handling considerations*, clearly mark outside of metal can as such. For example, FRAGILE, Acid, Alkali, Corrosive, etc.
- *Glass containers* with screw lids or stoppers may also be used for storage of certain chemicals.
- Many chemicals such as fuels, solvents, acids, etc., may release **toxic or explosive vapors**. Storage in property room could be *hazardous* and special arrangements may be necessary. Contact Property Officer.