



# BC PAINTSHARE INFORMATION



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## PaintShare Program

The PaintShare program (formerly Paint Exchange and PaintReuse) allows consumers to take selected containers of leftover paint from the collection site free of charge.

The PaintShare program is a popular initiative that helps to protect the environment while at the same time providing consumers with leftover paint for their small home projects. When you signed on to be a collection site for the Paint Recycling Program, you were given the opportunity to also become a PaintShare site. If you are not currently offering paint for reuse through the PaintShare program and would like to start, please contact Product Care.

Collection sites participating in the PaintShare program are encouraged to provide shelving, a cart or table for reusable, leftover paint. Place the PaintShare display in a visible and easily accessible location for customers that is within sight of staff.



Do **NOT** let customers open paint containers.

### Examples of PaintShare storage areas







PaintShare must be supervised at all times to reduce liability, health and safety and environmental risks.



**NEVER** allow the consumer to take paint from a tubskid or open the cans on site. Most returned cans of paint have been used, so there are almost always markings and labels on the can indicating the colour and type of the paint within.

**NEVER** allow any non-paint or aerosol products to be taken from your site as part of the PaintShare program. Aerosols, pesticides and flammable liquids are **NOT** permitted for reuse.

This program is advertised on the Productcare.org website along with your depot information so you will benefit from an increased interest in your location and all the Recycling programs it offers. If you would like to do additional advertising, please contact our Communications team at [communications@productcare.org](mailto:communications@productcare.org).

As the operator, you are authorized to select paint containers (cans, pails &/or bags) received that appear to be still suitable for reuse and staging them in a well-marked area for consumers to collect them free of charge. Consumers must be made aware that the paint is on a "AS IS" basis and quality cannot be guaranteed. They must read the PaintShare form prior to signing it.

## Paint Containers Suitable for PaintShare

- Select paint containers only in good condition with no rust or damage. Do not give away aerosols or non-paint items.
- Select containers larger than 1 Litre **ONLY**.
- Shake container to ensure its contents are still liquid (**NOTE: Do NOT** open the container.)
- Select containers that are >50% full (**NOTE: Do NOT** open the container).



**NEVER** open cans to verify contents.

## PaintShare Rules:

- Paint is offered on a "AS IS" basis. There is no quality guarantee.
- Do not allow consumers to open any containers.
- Containers may be returned if the consumer does not like the quality or colour.
- The PaintShare program is **ONLY** for PAINT CANS, BAGS and PAILS. No other items are to be given away not even aerosol paints.

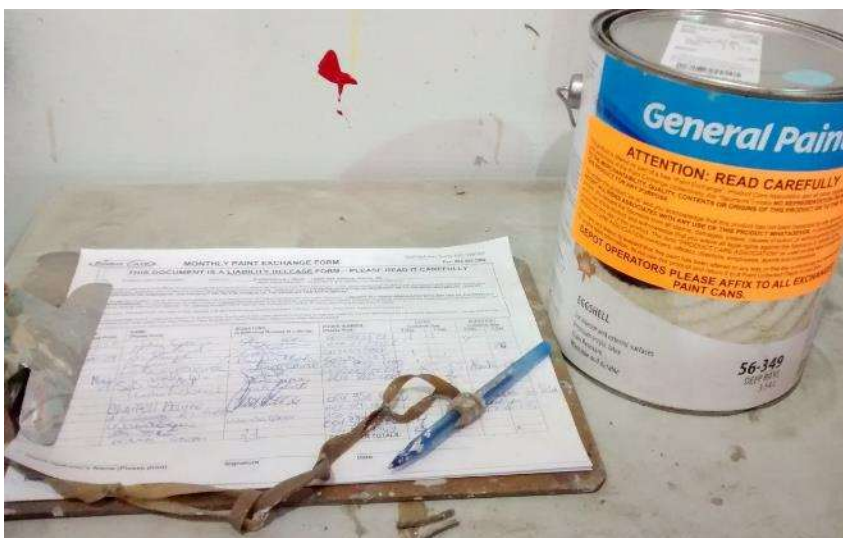
## Procedure for Taking Paint

1. Have the consumer read and understand the information on either the PaintShare orange waiver label or the PaintShare form before signing the form. The information on both the label and the form are the same.
2. Have the consumer complete the information required on a PaintShare form (Appendix A):
  - a. Use blue or black, ball-point pen. Other colors or types do not come through when emailed or faxed.
  - b. Print your collection site name and full collection site address at the top of the form.

- c. Have consumer fill in the date, their name, signature and phone number\*
  - d. Determine if the paint is latex (water-based) or alkyd (oil-based).
  - e. Record the number of containers taken based on paint type and container size. Please make sure this is legible. Note: This form is only for 3 Litre (1 gallon) or larger containers. If the container size is smaller than 3 Litres, there is no need to record it. And only write down the size of the container – do not estimate what the contents are.
3. Attach an orange PaintShare sticker to each can (see Figure 1). It is best to put the label on top of the can (over the lid) so that it does not cover the instructions and warnings.
  4. At the end of the page, add up the total number of containers taken.
  5. Stop writing when all lines are used. Start a new form, even if all the items are for one person.

\*If customer asks, please reassure them that the information collected on this form is only used if Product Care needs to confirm they did indeed take paint for re-use or if they have a concern regarding the transaction and/or the liability waiver.

FIGURE 1: PAINTSHARE STICKER IN USE



## Submitting Forms

Send completed PaintShare forms to Product Care via email to [BCopspaint@productcare.org](mailto:BCopspaint@productcare.org) or via fax to 604.592.2982 no later than the 10<sup>th</sup> of the following month. See Figure 2 for an example of a completed PaintShare form. For additional copies, photocopy the form in page protectors labelled "For Photocopying Use Only".

FIGURE 2: PAINTSHARE FORM (SAMPLE)



Send completed form to Product Care via either:  
 Email: [bcopspaint@productcare.org](mailto:bcopspaint@productcare.org)  
 Fax: 1.604.592.2982

**PAINTSHARE LIABILITY RELEASE FORM – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

TO: Product Care Association      AND TO: Save The Planet Recycle Everything - 3234 No Name Street, Surrey, BC 0G9 2G9  
Depot Name and Address (Full Mailing Address)

- I confirm that the product (the "Product") received by me today is offered as part of a free "PaintShare" in the BC Paint Recycling Program. I also acknowledge that Product Care, its members, officers, directors, employees, agents and contractors (collectively "Product Care") make **NO REPRESENTATION OR WARRANTY AS TO THE MERCHANTABILITY, QUALITY, CONTENTS OR ORIGINS OF THE PRODUCT OR TO THE FITNESS OF THE PRODUCT FOR ANY PURPOSE.**
- I accept the Product "as is" and I acknowledge that the Product has not been inspected by any of the Sponsors. I **ACCEPT ALL RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH ANY USE OF THE PRODUCT WHATSOEVER.** In consideration for the Product, I release the Sponsors from all claims, damages, losses, causes of action, or actions arising from the receipt and/or use of the Product. I am aware that by signing this release, I am waiving all legal rights against the Sponsors in relation to the acceptance and use of the Product.
- The term "Product Care" as used in this release includes the Product Care's members, officers, directors, employees, agents and contractors.
- I acknowledge that if I have any reason to suspect that the Product has been altered in any way or that the contents are not represented by the original label information, I should not use the Product, and I may return it to any Product Care Authorized Paint Collection Depot in my area without charge.

Date: (please print)	Name: (please print)	Signature: (confirming release of liability)	Phone number: (please print)	Project the paint will be used for	Latex (# of containers)		Alkyd (oil) (# of containers)	
					1 GAL	5 GAL	1 GAL	5 GAL
May 2, 2025	Hannah		405 300 4444	DIY projects	2			
May 2, 2025	Henry		350 333 4444	fix fence		8		
				Container totals:	2	8		

Collection Site Operator's Name (Please print): Trevor Noah      Signature:      Date: May 5, 2025

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