Not all water pollution comes from big factories – it’s also caused by little household chores. Like washing off paint, cleaning with products that contain chlorine bleach, using drain cleaners, and disposing of solvents such as stain removers or turpentine in the sink.

So please, dry off excess paint with a paper towel before rinsing. Avoid cleaning products marked “Poison” and “Danger,” choosing environmentally friendly products instead. And drop off toxic chemicals at your local hazardous waste center.

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