

Which household products pollute the soil?

It is estimated that **95%** of our food comes directly or indirectly from the soil. Protecting it is a shared responsibility.



Batteries

They contain heavy metals such as mercury, cadmium and lithium. A single button cell battery can contaminate thousands of litres of water and the surrounding soil for decades.



Used cooking oil

When oil reaches the soil it creates an impermeable layer that kills microfauna and prevents oxygen from penetrating the soil.



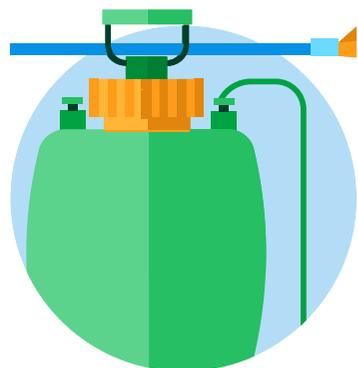
Detergents and cleaners

Many contain phosphates and chemicals that alter the pH of the soil and kill the microorganisms that keep the soil fertile.



Expired medicines

The chemical compounds in medicines do not disappear; they seep into the substrate and can affect plant growth.



Garden pesticides and herbicides

Excessive use of poisons to "eliminate pests" in the home garden destroys soil biodiversity (such as earthworms) and contaminates groundwater.