



## Check these Perishable Items

These items can perish over time when not being used:

- **Elastic**:- Found in webbing in sofas and chairs - Clothing items particularly underwear - Fitted Sheets - Bandages - Hair Bands
- **Electrical Appliances**:- Especially anything with a heating element
- **Foam linings or filters**:-As in Ski Goggles - Some Vacuum Cleaners
- **Plastics**:-Some soft plastics go sticky and some hard plastics go brittle.
- **Rubber**:- Seals on washing machines etc - Rubber Bands - erasers
- **Leather Goods**: Leather items need cleaning and conditioning on a regular basis and can go stiff when not taken care of and also mouldy if not stored properly
- **Photographic Gear**:- If not stored properly mould can grow and eat into camera lenses leaving permanent scars. Films will perish and colour slides and photos can lose their colour and clarity over time.
- **First Aid Supplies & Medications**: Medications and ointments go out of date and bandages perish - Eye Droppers (rubber)
- **Drive belts**: Both times my clothes drier has gone into storage the drive belt froze into a D shape and made an awful clonking noise and had to be replaced
- **Glue**: Items that are glued together such as shoes
- **Pens**: The ink dries up and/or the ball gets stiff and scratchy
- **Batteries**: Remember to remove batteries from toys and gadgets if they aren't being used as the batteries can ooze acid and ruin the item.
- **Food**: This one is a no-brainer
- **Wine**: some are meant to be stored some aren't.
- **Make-up**: The oils in them can go rancid and smell bad.
- **Textiles**: Clothing or afghans made from acrylic or polyester - Baby clothes, yarn, jackets and other woolens may become moth eaten if not stored properly. (Submitted by Willow @ [willowscottage.blogspot.com](http://willowscottage.blogspot.com) )

If after reading his list there is something that you feel needs adding please [contact me](#) and I will be pleased to include it in this page.