

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

RACINE WASTEWATER UTILITY
2024 COLLECTION EVENT INFORMATION



WHAT IS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE?

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) are products used in your house, home garage, or residential garden/yard that can be flammable, corrosive, toxic and harmful to you and the environment if they are not handled properly.

HOW DO YOU IDENTIFY HHW PRODUCTS?

Read the product label. If the product label contains any of the following words, then the product is hazardous:

- Toxic
- Flammable
- Corrosive/Caustic
- Reactive
- Poison
- Volatile
- Inflammable
- Combustible
- Explosive/Reactive
- Danger
- Caution
- Warning
- Harmful
- Solvents (item contains)

WHY SHOULD YOU BE CONCERNED?

Improper disposal of hazardous products, such as pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers, or placing them in the trash pollute our environment and pose a threat to human & animal health.

Certain types of HHW have the potential to cause physical injury to sanitation workers, contaminate septic tanks or wastewater treatment systems. They can also present hazards to children and pets.

WHERE ARE HHW COLLECTION EVENTS HELD?

Only those that reside in the City of Racine (zip codes 53401-53408) and Villages of Caledonia, Elmwood Park, Mount Pleasant, North Bay, Sturtevant and Wind Point may participate in the Racine Wastewater Utility's HHW Collection Events located at: **6200 21st Street**



WHEN ARE THE HHW COLLECTION EVENTS HELD?

Due to incomplete construction at our permanent site, **collection events will be postponed until June 2024**. We apologize for the inconvenience.

EVERY 3RD SATURDAY, JUNE - OCTOBER 2024
***8:00 AM UNTIL 1:00 PM**

- **Saturday, June 15, 2024**
- **Saturday, July 20, 2024**
- **Saturday, August 17, 2024**
- **Saturday, September 21, 2024**
- **Saturday, October 19, 2024**

**APRIL & MAY
COLLECTION
EVENTS HAVE
BEEN CANCELLED
THIS YEAR!**

**Collection events are held rain or shine. When faced with severe weather &/or lightening, we may need to delay or suspend operations until the threat has passed in order to keep workers and participants safe. We do our best to remain operational during the event hours; however, please be mindful of severe weather conditions before arriving. We have no way to make a public announcement during the event.*

ACCEPTED ITEMS

ALL CONTAINERS MUST NOT EXCEED 5 GALLONS

- Acid Concrete Cleaner
- Batteries, Alkaline/Lithium - Recycling Preferred
- Brake Cleaner
- Cleaners with Solvent
- Degreasers
- Driveway Sealer with Coal Tar or Petroleum Distillates
- Fertilizer with Weed Killer
- Floor Wax Stripper with Solvent
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs, CFLs
- Furniture Stripper
- Gas & Oil Mixture
- Inspect Spray/Baits
- Kerosene
- Laundry Bleach
- Mothballs
- Oil Based Paints
- PCB containing Ballasts
- Pool Chemicals
- Stain/Varnish
- Starter Fluid
- Transmission Fluid
- Used Oil - Motor or Cooking
- Wood Preservatives

UNACCEPTED ITEMS

- Ammunition
- Appliances
- Auto Parts
- Ballasts NOT containing PCBs
- Cell Phones
- Compressed Gas Cylinders (Includes Propane, Butane Tanks)
- Containers greater than 5 gallons
- Driveway Sealer without Coal Tar & Petroleum Distillates
- Electronics
- Empty Containers
- Fertilizer WITHOUT Weed Killer
- Fire Extinguishers
- Latex, Water-based Paints
- Medications
- Radioactive Waste
- Sharps
- Smoke Detectors
- Televisions
- Tires
- Waste from a Business, Institute, Agribusiness or Organization
- Yard Waste

REMEMBER!

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This is a short list of common products. Please refer to the front of the flyer on how to identify household hazardous waste.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1) If my mailing address is “Racine”, but I reside WEST of I-94, may I participate in the Racine Wastewater Utility’s HHW collection events? No. This is not a county wide program. We only provided services to the residents of the City of Racine (zip codes 53401-53408 only), Caledonia, Elmwood Park, Mount Pleasant, North Bay, Sturtevant & Wind Point.

If you reside in Burlington, Dover, Union Grove or Waterford, please call the Burlington Wastewater Utility at 262.342.1181 for collection information in your area. All others please contact your village/town hall for information.

2. How do I dispose of latex/water-based paints? Add paint hardener, oil dry or kitty litter to the container and allow the paint to dry completely. City of Racine residents must dispose of the dried out paint cans at the City of Racine’s Bulk Waste Site. All others should contact their solid waste collector for instruction.

3. Where can I dispose of medications &/or sharps? Call the City of Racine Health Department at 262.636.9203 or visit their website for drop box locations www.cityofracine.org/environmental-health

4. How do I dispose of items NOT accepted at the HHW collection events? Contact your village/town hall for recycling & disposal options. You can also contact area junk removal companies, local scrap yards, etc., for assistance.

This program is funded by and available to the residents of the City of Racine (zip codes 53401 to 53408), Village of Caledonia, Village of Elmwood Park, Village of Mount Pleasant, Village of North Bay, Village of Sturtevant and Village of Wind Point.



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