

**WHAT: Frederick County Maryland's**

# **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF EVENT**

**WHEN: Saturday, October 8, 2022, from 8am until 2pm.** *Event held rain or shine.*

**WHERE: 21 Stadium Drive, Frederick 21703** (NYMEO Field/Keys baseball stadium, in the upper parking lot. Please enter from New Design Road, not South Market Street.)

*There is **NO FEE** to drop off household materials. This event is provided for Frederick County residential waste only — no business or out-of-county materials!*

## **ACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE:**

- Aerosol paints
- Brake Fluid
- Flares
- Fluorescent & UV bulbs (compact and tube)
- Fuels (gasoline/lighter fluid, oil/gas mixed)
- Herbicides/insecticides/fungicides
- Household & automotive cleaners
- Mercury thermometers & thermostats
- Pesticides, rat poison, mothballs
- Photographic chemicals
- Pool chemicals
- Rechargeable batteries (including NiCad, Li-ion and computer batteries)
- Stains and sealants
- Smoke, radon & carbon monoxide detectors
- Thinners and solvents

## **UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS\*:**

- Any paints except spray paints
- Alkaline or vehicle batteries
- Biohazard waste
- Explosives & fireworks
- Firearms or ammunition
- Fire extinguishers
- Fuel tanks & cylinders
- Freon and helium tanks
- Kerosene, diesel fuel, hydraulic fluid
- Medicines and medical sharps
- Motor oil and antifreeze
- Radioactive materials
- Regular trash & recyclable materials
- *Unidentifiable items will not be accepted at this event.*

*\* Disposal information listed on other side of page.*

## ***Did you know...***

**Paints and regular alkaline household batteries are not hazardous wastes?** For information on proper disposal of these items, see reverse side of this page.

**Medicines are not accepted at these events,** but can be dropped off year round at designated locations! See reverse side of page for specific addresses.

**CFL Light bulbs** may also be taken year round to Home Depot or Lowes for recycling.

**Rechargeable Batteries** are accepted at these events, but may also be taken year round to Lowes, Home Depot or other stores offering free battery recycling; visit [www.Call2Recycle.org](http://www.Call2Recycle.org) for locations.

**GET AUTOMATIC REMINDERS FOR THESE EVENTS!** Use the **Recycle Coach app** or look for the "[Recycling Information](#)" box on our website and enter your address to sign up for notifications!

[www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/recycle)

**For more information on this event call the Frederick County, MD Division of Solid Waste & Recycling at (301) 600-1848**



## --- MATERIALS NOT ACCEPTED AS HAZARDOUS WASTE ---

- **Alkaline Batteries** (such as D, AA, etc.) – May be disposed as regular trash. Do not place many alkaline batteries together in a group; used batteries may have a residual charge and can spark each other.
- **Biohazard Materials** – Clym Environmental Services is one local vendor who may be able to assist with this waste; for more information contact them at 301-694-6000.
- **Empty Helium Tanks** – Do not place in a recycle bin. First, open the valve to release any remaining helium. Using a hammer and screwdriver, knock out the round disk on the back of the tank. (Online tutorial here: [www.balloontime.com/how-to/recycle](http://www.balloontime.com/how-to/recycle)) Empty tank may be placed in the scrap metal bin at the 9031 Reichs Ford Road recycling drop-off center.
- **Explosives, Fireworks and Ammunition** – Contact the Office of the State Fire Marshal Bomb Squad by calling 410-859-7152, or the Frederick County Fire Marshal at 301-600-1479.
- **Firearms** – Contact the County Sheriff's Department at 301-600-1046.
- **Fire Extinguisher** – If you have a household "ABC" type fire extinguisher, place it in two heavy-duty trash bags. Outdoors, lay the bag with the extinguisher flat on the ground. Fold the tops of the bags closed and with one foot, step on the fold. With a free hand, from the outside of the bag, find the extinguisher's release lever squeeze to release its contents. Knot or tie the bags closed and place them into your regular household trash.
- **Gas Tanks/Cylinders** – Most vendors that sell bbq-size propane tanks accept any brand as returns. Some vendors may also accept freon, oxygen and fuel tanks other than propane.
- **Glass Thermometers** – If the measuring line is RED it is not mercury—it's alcohol-based and can be disposed as trash. Mercury thermometers (with silver contents) can be brought to our haz waste events.
- **Kerosene, Motor Oil, Diesel Fuel, Hydraulic Fluid & Transmission Fluid** – Are accepted year round at the 9031 Reichs Ford Road Recycling Drop-Off site, in the used oils tank.
- **Medicines** – *Do not flush or dump!* There are drop-off boxes for proper disposal of pharmaceuticals located in most WalMart and CVS pharmacies. (These are not County government programs; check with retailer to confirm their details.) Other community sites include:

<b>Emmitsburg Community Center</b> (8am - 4:30pm) 2nd Floor, 300 S. Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg	<b>Brunswick Police Department</b> (24 hrs) 20 E. A St., Brunswick
<b>Frederick Police Department</b> (24 hrs) 110 West Patrick Street, Frederick	<b>Middletown Municipal Center</b> (8am - 4pm) 31 W. Main St., Middletown
<b>Thurmont Police Department</b> (8am - 4pm) 800 Main St., Thurmont	<b>Mount Airy Police Department</b> 205 Center St., Mt. Airy
<b>Frederick Law Enforcement Center</b> (24 hrs) 110 Airport Drive E., Frederick 21701	<b>Urbana Pharmacy</b> 3420 Worthington Blvd., Frederick 21704
- **Medical Sharps** – May be placed in household trash after disinfection and securing in a puncture-proof container. For more information visit [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Landfill](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Landfill) or call 301-600-1848.
- **Paint, Oil or Latex** (except in aerosol cans) – Must be dried out, then may be disposed as regular trash. Drying additives are available for latex paint at home improvement stores. You may also add sawdust, mulch, shredded paper or kitty litter to paint and leave the lid off until dry. Once paint has solidified it can be placed with regular household trash (with approval from your trash hauler) or brought to the landfill for disposal.
- **Vehicle Batteries & Antifreeze** – May be recycled for no charge, year round, at 9031 Reichs Ford Road, Monday-Saturday, 7am-4:30pm. Enter via the "Recycling Road" entrance.

If you need to dispose of hazardous material in between the County-sponsored events, you may contact companies such as Clean Venture (410-368-9170) or Clean Harbors (410-244-8200).