

**WHAT: Frederick County Maryland's**

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

**WHEN: May 18, 2019, 8am until 12pm**

**WHERE: 8349 Reichs Ford Road, Frederick 21704 (Public Safety Training Facility)**

*Event is held rain or shine. There is NO FEE to drop off materials. This event is for Frederick County residential waste only — no businesses!*

## **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.

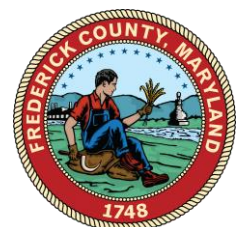
**CFL Light bulbs** may also be taken year round to Home Depot or Lowes for recycling.

**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!** Click the "[Stay Informed](#)" link on our website to sign up for free email, phone, text or mobile notifications! Visit:

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

**For more information on this event call The Frederick County Department of Solid Waste Management at (301) 600-1848**



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

- **Alkaline Batteries** (such as D, AA, etc.) – May be disposed of in your regular trash (mercury was eliminated in these batteries in the 1990's). Do not dispose of large amounts of alkaline batteries together in a group; used batteries are often not completely "dead." Grouping used batteries together can bring "live" batteries into contact with one another, creating safety risks.
- **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** – May be recycled for no charge in the scrap metal bin at the DSWM Recycling Center (9031 Reichs Ford Rd). First, open the valve to release any remaining helium. After the tank has been depressurized this way, unscrew the nozzle on the tank and remove it completely.
- **Explosives, Fireworks and Ammunition** – Contact the Office of the State Fire Marshall Bomb Squad by calling 410-859-7152, or the Frederick County Fire Marshall at 301-600-1479.
- **Firearms** – Contact the County Sheriff's Department at 301-600-1046.
- **Fire Extinguishers** – Contact Westminster Fire Extinguisher Service (located in Frederick) at 301-662-8516.
- **Fuel Tanks/Cylinders** – Look under "Gas Companies" in the yellow pages; most vendors accept large propane tanks; some vendors may accept freon, oxygen and fuel tanks other than propane. Aero Energy (301-662-4101) also accepts camping fuel canisters.
- **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** are no longer collected at Household Hazardous Waste events because there are now drop-offs in Frederick County where residents may dispose of pharmaceuticals year round; these locations include:

<b>Emmitsburg Community Center</b> 2nd Floor, 300 South Seton Avenue, Emmitsburg	<b>Brunswick Police Department</b> 20 E. A St., Brunswick, MD 21716
<b>Frederick Police Department</b> 110 West Patrick Street, Frederick	<b>Middletown Municipal Center</b> 31 W. Main St., Middletown, MD 21769
<b>Thurmont Police Department</b> 800 Main St., Thurmont	<b>Mount Airy Police Department</b> 205 Center St., Mt. Airy 21771
<b>Maryland State Police Barracks</b> 110 Airport Drive E., Frederick, MD 21701	<b>CVS Pharmacy</b> 402 South Jefferson St., Frederick 21701
- **Medical Sharps** – May be placed in household trash after disinfection and securing in a puncture-proof container. For more information call 301-600-1848 or visit [www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Landfill](http://www.FrederickCountyMD.gov/Landfill).
- **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 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.
- **Thermometers** – Is it mercury? If the content of the thermometer is RED it is not mercury—it is actually alcohol and can be disposed of in the regular trash. Mercury thermometers (with a silver content) can be brought to our hazardous waste drop off days.
- **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).**