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[County Announces Household Hazardous Waste Days](#)



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More opportunities to responsibly dispose of items

FREEHOLD, NJ – Monmouth County has scheduled its 2012 Household Hazardous Waste Disposal days so that residents have additional opportunities to get rid of items that are not permitted in the regular or recycling disposal process.

The times, dates and locations are:

- 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday, May 5 – Hazlet, county garage on Union Avenue (off Rt. 36)
- 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 29 – Upper Freehold, county garage on Rt. 539

Acceptable items for the county’s Household Hazardous Waste Disposal program include pesticides, herbicides, fertilizers, solvents, thinners, corrosives, cleaners, pool chemicals, oil paints, varnishes, aerosol cans (full or partially full), used motor oil, antifreeze, gasoline, batteries (rechargeable, button or automotive) and propane barbecue tanks.

Each item must be in its original container with its original label (with the exception of used oil, gas or antifreeze). Also, the maximum amount of dry material that may be dropped off is 200 pounds and/or 20 gallons of liquid with no container larger than 5 gallons.

Items not accepted are lab re-agents, concrete, electronics, car tires, explosives, radioactive materials and asbestos. Unknown or unidentified items are not allowed, either.

“Residents can responsibly dispose of hazardous waste on these days, or they can take their acceptable items to the county’s Household Hazardous Waste facility in Tinton Falls throughout the year,” said Freeholder Serna DiMaso, liaison to the county’s Reclamation Center. “Either way, there is no charge for homeowners to bring items to a county hazardous waste facility.” Year-round hazardous waste disposal appointments are available at the county’s Household Hazardous Waste facility at 3211 Shafto Rd. in Tinton Falls. Call 732-683-8686 for information, hours and to make an appointment. School and municipal agencies must make alternate disposal arrangements. Businesses must contract privately for proper disposal of hazardous waste materials.

“Residents should be aware that latex paint is no longer accepted at these disposal days or at the county’s household hazardous waste facility,” DiMaso said. “Instead, residents should dry out any leftover water-based, latex paint and dispose of it in the regular trash.”

Latex paint can be dried out with a commercial paint hardener or other absorbent such as cat litter, sawdust or dirt. Dried paint and empty cans can be disposed with your regular household trash. Be sure to leave the lid off so you trash collector can see that the liquid has dried out.

“Removal of hazardous items from our waste flow and our communities is an ongoing project,” said Freeholder Director John P. Curley, liaison to the Monmouth County Health Department.

“Providing times and places for the safe disposal of these items is of great importance to the

future of our environment.”

For further information call 732-431-7456 or 732-431-4788. Information about the county’s household hazardous waste and recycling efforts are available from the Monmouth County Planning Division section of the county’s Web site at www.visitmonmouth.com, or by calling 732-431-7460.