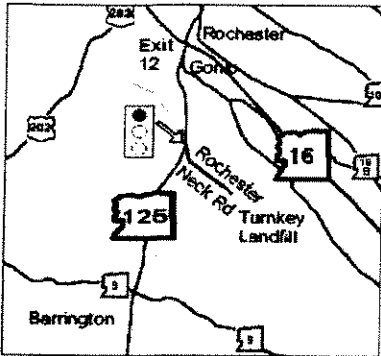


Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day

Saturday, May 5, 2007

8:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Turnkey Landfill, Rochester Neck Road, Rochester



Household Hazardous Waste Products

A product is hazardous when its use or disposal poses a threat to your health or the environment. Hazardous products contain the words: **flammable, corrosive, explosive** or **toxic** on the product label. The words **danger** (most toxic), **warning**, and **caution** (less toxic) are used to help indicate various levels of toxicity.

Only For Residents of:

**Barrington
Farmington
Milton
Middleton
New Durham
Northwood
Rochester
Strafford
Wakefield**

**Questions about
Collection Day?**

Contact The City
of Rochester at
332-4096

YES! Bring up to **10 gallons** of the following to the Collection Day site:

House and Garden Products:

Weed killers and fertilizers, no-pest strips; ant spray and baits; bug and rodent-sprays, poisons; flea repellents and shampoos; bug sprays; houseplant, insecticides; oven cleaners, drain/toilet cleaners; wood/metal cleaners and polishes; rug cleaners, bleach; pool chemicals; tub, tile and shower cleaners; button cell and lithium batteries.

Garage Products:

Car wax and polish; fuel additives; carburetor / fuel injector cleaners air-conditioning refrigerants starter fluids; creosote; antifreeze; transmission and brake fluid.

Workshop/Painting Products

Oil or enamel based paint stains and finishes, paint thinners and turpentine, paint strippers and removers; photographic chemicals; fixatives, adhesives, glues or other solvents.

NO! Do not bring to Collection Day site! The following should be disposed as follows:

Latex Paint:

Use the paint! Or open can and let paint dry. Discard can in trash.

Motor Oil/Tires/Computers:

For the collection center nearest you, call your municipality (see back page) or NHDES toll free at 1-888-825-3645.

Zinc Carbon and Alkaline

Batteries: Batteries sold after May 1996 are non-hazardous and can be placed in the trash.

Recyclable Batteries:

For the disposal locations nearest you, visit www.rbrc.org or call 1-800-822-8837.

Car Batteries:

Most places that sell car batteries will take them back. Some communities may have battery collections. Call your town office (see back page) or NHDES for details.

Propane Tanks:

Return to a place that sells them.

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What's the concern with toxic waste?

The average household throws 15.5 pounds of hazardous materials into the trash each year. Dumping toxic cleaners or used oil into storm drains, septic systems, or landfills can contaminate ground and surface waters, and kill wildlife and plants. Flammable or reactive household chemicals can release toxic fumes or even explode if they are mixed together in the trash, causing fires or injuring people.

There are also many health threats associated with some of these products. Exposure can cause weakness, confusion, dizziness, irritability, headaches, nausea, sweating, tremors and convulsions or even death. Other repeated chemical exposures can cause cancer or birth defects. Children are particularly vulnerable to these products and accidental poisonings can occur if these products are not properly stored. In New Hampshire, the third and fourth leading causes of poisoning are personal care products and cleaning substances.

What to do:

- 1. Buy products wisely:** Read the label and buy non-toxic or less toxic alternatives (see *Alternatives box*). Buy only what you need.
- 2. Store products wisely:** Store in their original container, in a cool dry area away from heat, spark or flame. Close lids tightly so products will not dry out, evaporate or leak. Store flammables, corrosives, and poisons separately.
- 3. Use products safely:** Read the label before use and follow directions. Use only the recommended amount, avoid breathing fumes by using a well-ventilated room and *do not mix products*.
- 4. Minimize waste:** Share what you cannot use with a friend, take it to a swap center, or donate it to an organization. You may also be able to recycle the waste. Most towns now accept used oil for recycling.
- 5. Dispose of HHW wisely:** Take it to your local HHW Collection site.

Alternatives to Hazardous Products

Looking for a way to decrease the amount of toxic waste produced by your household? In addition to many non-hazardous products that you can now find in many supermarkets, there are many excellent substitutes for toxic cleaners right in your own pantry. Although the suggested mixtures have less hazardous ingredients than many commercial cleaners, they should be used and stored with caution.

Drain cleaner: Use a plunger or plumber's snake.

Oven cleaner: Clean spills as soon as the oven cools using steel wool and baking soda; for tough stains, add salt (do not use this method in self-cleaning or continuous-cleaning ovens).

Glass cleaner: Mix 1 tablespoon of vinegar or lemon juice in 1 quart of water. Spray on and use newspaper to wipe dry.

Toilet bowl cleaner: Use baking soda or vinegar.

Furniture polish: Mix 1 teaspoon of lemon juice in 1 pint of mineral or vegetable oil, and wipe furniture.

Rug deodorizer: Deodorize dry carpets by sprinkling liberally with baking soda. Wait at least 15 minutes and vacuum.

Stain remover: Soak in club soda before washing.

Plant sprays: Wipe leaves with mild soap and water and rinse.

Mothballs: Use cedar chips, lavender, rosemary, or mint.

Flea and tick products: Put brewer's yeast or garlic in your pet's food or sprinkle fennel, rue, rosemary, or eucalyptus seeds or leaves around animal sleeping areas.

DO NOT mix anything with a commercial cleaning agent. If you do store a homemade mixture, make sure it is properly labeled. Do not store it in a container that could be mistaken for food or beverage. Mix them in clean, reusable containers.

To find out what your town collects:

Barrington	Public Works	664-5379
Farmington	Public Works	755-4883
Middleton	Town Office	473-2134
Milton	Town Office	652-4501
New Durham	Town Office	859-8000
Northwood	Town Office	942-5586
Rochester	Public Works	332-4096
Strafford	Town Office	664-2192
Wakefield	Town Station	522-3590

For more information about Collection Day, call NHDES at 271-2047 or The City of Rochester at 332-4096.