



# HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

## 2022 MONTGOMERY COUNTY PA RESIDENTIAL EVENTS

### By Appointment Only, Preregistration is Required

### **DATES:**

**Saturday, April 30**

**Boyertown Middle School East**

2020 Big Road, Gilbertsville

[Register Here](#)

**Saturday, May 7**

**Indian Valley Middle School**

130 Maple Avenue, Harleysville

[Register Here](#)

**Saturday, May 21**

**Temple University–Ambler Campus**

Enter at 1431 E. Butler Pike, Ambler

[Register Here](#)

**Saturday, June 18**

**Norristown Area High School**

1900 Eagle Drive, Norristown

[Register Here](#)

**Saturday, June 25**

**Abington Junior High School**

Enter at 2056 Susquehanna Road, Abington

[Register Here](#)

**Saturday, September 24**

**Spring-Ford 9th Grade Center**

400 South Lewis Road, Royersford

[Register Here](#)

**SUNDAY, October 23**

**Lower Merion Transfer Station**

1300 N. Woodbine Avenue, Penn Valley

[Register Here](#)

Free residential collection events are held outdoors. There are no permanent drop off locations, only these collection events. Montco residents may also attend any Household Hazardous Waste event held by Bucks, Chester, Delaware, or Philadelphia Counties.

Please do not contact the host sites, as they are not affiliated with the events.

In case of severe weather, call 610.278.3618, option 6 for event status.

Contact us at:

[MontcoPARecycles.org](https://MontcoPARecycles.org)  
[recycling@montcopa.org](mailto:recycling@montcopa.org)

610.278.3618



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# ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

PAINT PRODUCTS	OUTDOOR PRODUCTS	AUTOMOTIVE PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD PRODUCTS	HOUSEHOLD OTHER
Turpentine	Swimming Pool Chemicals	Grease & Rust Solvents	Drain Openers	Acids, Caustics, Solvents
Paint Thinners	Weed Killers	Fuel Additives	Rug Cleaners	Flammables
Strippers & Removers	Septic Tank Degreasers	Carburetor Cleaners	Wood & Metal Cleaners	Oxidizers, Reactives
Oil-Based Paints	Asphalt Sealers	Transmission/Brake Fluid	Mothballs/Flakes	Lead
Stains, Varnish	Caulking Compounds	Antifreeze	Adhesives/Solvents	Aerosols
Shellac	Joint Compound	Car(lead-acid), Truck, Motorcycle, Marine, Batteries	Rechargeable Batteries, Lithium, Ni-Cad, Button, Lead Acid	Mercury (Thermostats & Thermometers)
Other Solvent-Based Paint Products	Roof Cements	Gas, Oil, Gas Oil Mixture	Spot Removers, Dry Cleaning Fluid	Fluorescent Tubes and CFLs
Wallpaper Cement	MINI Propane Tanks, No BBQ Tanks	Road Flares, No Marine Flares	Fire Extinguishers	Ballast (must be removed from light fixture)
Spray Paint	Pesticide		Kerosene	Electric Oil-filled Heaters

# UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

Explosives & Ammunition	Electronics/Televisions	Asbestos	Appliances/White Goods
Infectious or Medical Waste, Prescription Drugs	BBQ-Sized Propane Tanks (leave at local exchange sites)	Radioactive Waste	Freon/Refrigerants
Tires	Helium Tanks	Unidentified Waste	25- or 50-Gallon Drums
Latex Paint* (Water-Based)	Gas Cylinders	Alkaline Batteries (Trash)	Smoke Detectors

\* Take off lid, dry out paint, discard can without lid; or pour paint into plastic bag with absorbent material (clay based kitty litter, saw dust, rags) place bag and can without lid, in trash. Paint hardener can also be purchased at hardware stores.

# DROP OFF GUIDELINES

- Montgomery County events are following state guidelines and public health restrictions.
- Leave items at home that are not for the event so that they are not removed accidentally.
- If you need your gas can or container returned, please tape a note to it stating that you want to keep it.
- You may arrive any time within your registered appointment window.
- Please print out your ticket or write your name and appointment time on a piece of paper.
- If you cannot attend the event, please cancel your appointment through your Eventbrite ticket or by emailing [recycling@montcopa.org](mailto:recycling@montcopa.org), as others may be waiting for an opening.
- NO TVs, electronics, or appliances will be accepted.
- Event workers will unload your materials so please remain in your vehicle.
- BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE TURNED AWAY, no commercial/industrial waste accepted.
- Bring all substances in original containers with labels. Items must be identifiable. Do not mix materials.
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger container with newspaper to soak up leaks.
- Maximum amount accepted is 25 gallons or 220 pounds. No 25- or 50-gallon drums.
- There are no permanent drop off locations in the region for household hazardous waste, only the listed collections.



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## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROGRAM

[Click here for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Schedule & Flyer for 2022](#)

Registration is now available for the 2022 Household Hazardous Waste events. Click on the link above for the list of scheduled events. Click on "Register Here" on the preferred date and select a time. Print the ticket after registering. If unable to print, write your time slot on a piece of paper and hand the ticket or paper to event staff before entering the drop off area.

Covid-19 guidelines and health restrictions must be followed when attending an event. Attendees are required to remain in their vehicle at all times in order to maintain social distancing and must wear a mask and keep windows closed while in line and when dropping off. **Materials should be boxed for event staff to unload from the trunk of a car, cargo area of an SUV or the bed of a truck.**

**NO TV's or Electronics and NO Latex Paint is accepted at the Household Hazardous Waste events. Businesses and contractors will be turned away.**

### WHAT TO EXPECT AT HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE EVENTS

- There is no dedicated drop off facility in Montgomery County that accepts Household Hazardous Waste. The HHW events are held at different locations throughout the county on specified days. All events are held outdoors and are scheduled to begin in the spring and end in the fall.
- All collection events require attendees to register prior to attending. If you cannot attend a county collection event and have registered, please cancel your ticket so the time slot is available for the next person registering or consider asking a family member, friend or neighbor to use your ticket to take materials to the event for proper disposal.
- **All collection events will accept household chemicals only. NO TVs or Electronics and NO latex paint will be accepted at HHW events.** Businesses and contractors will be turned away.
- On event days there will be directional signs and volunteers to help the public navigate to the drop off area where materials will be removed by event staff.
- Please remain in your vehicle for safety reasons and unlock the trunk or rear gate for event staff to access boxed materials for removal. When event staff has removed your materials you will be directed to the exit.

## TIPS FOR SAFELY TRANSPORTING CHEMICALS TO A COLLECTION

- Keep chemicals in their original container and never mix products. If you can't read the label mark "unknown".
- Make certain all containers are tightly sealed to avoid spillage.
- Any container you would like to keep write "RETURN" on a post it and attach it to the container.
- Transport chemicals in a cardboard box. NO plastic tubs. The time spent emptying plastic tubs for return slows down the collection line.

## AVAILABLE TO RESIDENTS ONLY

This program is a community service to the residents of Montgomery County and the four Southeastern Pennsylvania County Region (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, and Philadelphia counties) only and is not open to businesses, institutions, or industry. Click on a County listed below to register for available events to drop off materials.

Links to Neighboring Counties Household Hazardous Waste Recycling Programs:

- [Bucks County](#)
- [Chester County](#)
- [Delaware County](#)
- [Philadelphia](#)

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

[Accepted Hazardous Household Waste Items](#)

[Helpful Tips for When Dealing with HHW](#)

## About the Program

The counties of Bucks, Delaware, Chester, Montgomery and the City of Philadelphia continue to partner together to host approximately 30 HHW events every year.

The regional partnership allows residents of each county the opportunity to attend any of the events hosted in the region. It also allows the five-county region to acquire the best possible price per pound, which in turn, saves valuable taxpayer dollars. In 2010, this regional partnership collected close to 3 million pounds of HHW, of which Montgomery County accounted for about 1 million of that total alone.

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## ACCEPTED HAZARDOUS HOUSEHOLD WASTE ITEMS

The following items are accepted at Montgomery County Household Hazardous Waste events:

- Acids, caustics, solvents
- Adhesives/solvents
- Antifreeze
- Aerosols
- Asphalt sealers
- Automotive products
- Ballast
- Butane
- Carburetor cleaners
- Caulking compounds
- Cleaning agents
- Cooking oil
- Diesel fuel
- Drain/oven cleaners
- Driveway Sealer
- Dry cleaning fluid
- Electric oil filled heaters
- Flammables
- Fertilizer
- Fire extinguishers
- Fluorescent bulbs
- Formalin
- Furniture stripper and finisher
- Gasoline
- Grease and rust solvents
- Herbicide (weed killers)
- Joint compound
- Kerosene
- Lead
- Lead acid batteries
- Loose mercury
- Mercury car switches
- Mothballs/flakes
- Motor oil
- Oil-based paint products
- Organic peroxide
- Other mercury bearing items
- Oxidizers
- Paint thinner
- Pepper Spray
- Pesticides
- Propane cylinders - mini 1lb cylinders only
- Primer
- Reactives
- Rechargeable batteries
- Rodent poison
- Roof cements
- Rug cleaners
- Septic tank degreaser
- Shellac
- Spot removers
- Spray paint products
- Stains and varnish
- Swimming pool chemicals
- Thermometers
- Thermostats
- Toilet bowl cleaners
- Transmission/brake fluid
- Turpentine
- Varnish
- Wood and metal cleaners

- Fuel additives

## Unacceptable Items

Select a material to view proper disposal information:

- [Air conditioners](#)
- [Alkaline batteries](#)
- [Appliances / white goods](#)
- [Asbestos](#)
- [De/humidifiers](#)
- [Electronics](#)
- [Explosives and ammunition](#)
- [Latex paint](#)
- Radioactive waste
- [Refrigerators](#)
- [Smoke detectors](#)
- [Tires](#)
- [Water coolers](#)

## CONTACT US

### Montgomery County Planning Commission

#### montgomery county recycling

P.O. Box 311  
Norristown, PA 19404-0311  
[recycling@montcopa.org](mailto:recycling@montcopa.org)

Recycling Hotline: 610-278-3618  
Fx: 610-278-3941

### Hours

Monday - Friday  
8:30 a.m. - 4:15 p.m.



### Municipal Websites



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## HELPFUL TIPS FOR WHEN DEALING WITH HHW

### WHAT TO DO

- Make sure all products and materials are in original containers with labels intact. This will ensure that your materials are correctly identified and disposed of properly as quickly and safely as possible.
- Wrap leaking containers in newspaper and place in a plastic bag or garbage container.
- Make sure lids and caps are secured properly and tightly.
- Place items securely in a box for transport. Use newspaper or cardboard as filler.
- Place chemicals, which will react with one another, in separate parts of the vehicle.

### WHAT NOT TO DO

- Do not leave materials in hot, unventilated areas for long periods of time.
- Do not smoke near chemicals.
- Do not get out of your car while in line at an event for any reason, especially in the drop off area or "hot zone".
- Do not park your car or walk from your house with household hazardous materials.

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