Saint Louis County Department of Health

Household Hazardous Waste 2012 Collection Events

FREE to Saint Louis County Residents!

The improper disposal of leftover household chemicals can be harmful to the environment and to public health. The best way to properly manage leftover household chemicals is to use them or give them to someone else to use.

Depending on the age and usefulness of the leftover products, you may be able to share them with friends, neighbors, or family members. Another idea is to donate products in good condition to local organizations (church groups, housing agencies, municipal facilities, not-for-profits, etc.). Some materials (motor oil, certain batteries, etc.) can be recycled locally. For a listing of local recycling outlets and other information about toxicity reduction, visit **www.RecycleSaintLouis.com**.

Not all leftovers can be shared or recycled. For this reason, the Saint Louis County Department of Health has provided a HHW program that included regularly scheduled collection events as a safe alternative to throwing leftover chemicals away. Thanks in part to a grant from the St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste Management District and a partnership with the Metropolitan Sewer District one day events are being replaced with permanent HHW drop-off locations. The permanent program will be open on a routine schedule and residents will make a reservation to drop-off HHW.

Due to an unforeseen conflict with other necessary site improvements, there has been a delay in construction of the first permanent collection site. To help meet the need of residents, two collection events have been scheduled this spring. **Funding for these events comes from voter-approved Saint Louis County landfill surcharge fees and the events are ONLY for residents of Saint Louis County.** Proof of residency, such as a driver's license or tax bill, will be required. **Businesses are prohibited by law from participating.**

2012 Event Dates: Rain or Shine

Saturday, May 5th 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	St. Louis Community College - Florissant Valley Campus (Enter the campus from Pershall Road just east of the I-270 and Elizabeth Avenue exit. Follow the event signs to the drop-off location.)
Saturday, June 16th 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	South County Center (formerly Westfield Shoppingtown – South County) (The event will be held south of the Dillard's and Sears stores. Enter from Lemay Ferry Road just south of South Lindbergh Boulevard.)

ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS: Paints, stains, varnishes, pesticides, herbicides, poisons, gasoline and other fuels, solvents and strippers, aerosols, motor oil and filters, gas cylinders (BBQ pit size or smaller), fluorescent tubes, rechargeable batteries, antifreeze, brake and transmission fluid, pool chemicals and other acids and bases, car batteries, wood preservatives, driveway sealant, and items containing mercury (such as thermometers, thermostats, and mercuric salts).

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS: Explosives and ammunition, radioactive waste, smoke detectors, medical waste, household trash, tires, electronics and other bulky items.

Materials from businesses and from commercial, not-for-profit, and governmental organizations are prohibited.

Due to program popularity, please be prepared for long lines. Additional information on these events and the status of the permanent HHW program and other activities, are available www.RecycleSaintLouis.com. If you have questions, please contact the Saint Louis County Department of Health Solid Waste Management Program by email at recycle.doh@stlouisco.com or call (314) 615-8958.

Coming Soon! A one-stop location for proper management of HHW:
www.hhwstl.com

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Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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