


# Chippewa County 2012 Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Schedule



Take a look in your garage, kitchen, basement, or workshop. Some of the household products you find here may require special consideration in their use, storage, and disposal. Improper disposal of these products can cause fires, injuries to people and animals, and groundwater contamination. Chippewa County is making it easy for residents to get rid of household hazardous waste. Please consult the table below for a convenient time and location. Please call the Chippewa County Recycling Program at **726-7999** if you have any questions.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>		<u>Time</u>
Saturday <b>April 21</b>	Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds 306 Jefferson Ave, Chippewa Falls		8 am - Noon

**Appliances, electronics, pharmaceuticals and scrap metal will also be accepted.**

Saturday <b>Oct. 6</b>	Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds 306 Jefferson Ave, Chippewa Falls		8 am - Noon
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#### DO BRING:

Oil/solvent-based paints	Heavy metal paints
Antifreeze	Corrosives
Pesticides	Solvents
Wood preservatives	Poisons
Waste motor oil	Cleaners
Fuel mixtures, kerosene, fuel oil	Fluorescent bulbs *
Thinners, strippers, stains, varnish	Aerosol cans
Mercury and other heavy metals	Household batteries
Lead acid batteries	Oil Filters *

\*a small fee is charged

#### DO NOT BRING:

Latex paint  
Radioactives  
Business Waste  
Empty and dry containers  
Explosives or ammunition  
Biological and infectious wastes  
Pressurized cylinders (20 lb. cylinders)

**THIS IS A FREE SERVICE FOR ALL CHIPPEWA COUNTY RESIDENTS!!**

*Persons may bring scrap metal to a dumpster that will be provided on April 21 and October 6, 2012 at the Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds free of charge.*

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## ***Clean Sweep Collection and Disposal Guidelines***

1. *No commercial or industrial wastes will be accepted.*
2. *All products must be in original containers or positively identified for liability and safety reasons.*
3. *DO NOT MIX substances together – lethal products can result.*
4. *Package carefully – line a cardboard box with a plastic bag or separate each product with folded newspaper.*
5. *Before deciding to bring a product to the Clean Sweep consider using it up according to label directions or give it to a friend or neighbor who will use it as intended.*

## ***An Ounce of Prevention***

Your participation in Clean Sweep will prevent serious accidents in your home and the environment. You can clean hazardous materials out of your home and be rest assured they will receive proper disposal through Clean Sweep.

## ***Lending a Helping Hand***

Do you have elderly or disabled neighbors or family members who can't make it to a Clean Sweep? Lend a helping hand and help the environment. Volunteer to take their household hazardous wastes to a Clean Sweep collection site for them.



## ***Latex Paint, What to do!?!***

Many Chippewa County residents wonder why Chippewa County Clean Sweep events have never accepted latex paint. Latex paint is composed of primarily water and small amounts of other materials which are essentially non-toxic. Because latex paint is made up of primarily water it can be evaporated and dried out by the homeowner and does not need to be handled through an expensive Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Program. Here are some tips on how to dispose of latex paint at home.

### **For small amounts of paint:**

- # Remove the lid and let the paint dry in the can. Stir the paint occasionally to speed drying.
- # Or, brush paint in layers on newspaper or cardboard.

### **For larger amounts of latex:**

- # Pour one-inch layers of paint into a cardboard box lined with plastic. Allow the paint to dry one layer at a time - thin layers will speed up the drying process.
- # Or, mix paint with cat litter, sawdust or redi-mix concrete (1:1 ratio) in cardboard boxed lined with plastic and let dry.

Throw the completely dried paint, cans and other materials in the trash. Leave the lids off paint cans so garbage haulers will see that the paint is dry and accept them.