

Types of HHW accepted at certain Convenience Centers listed below.

Although this is a one day event, four of the County's Convenience Centers accept used motor oil and transmission fluid (5 gallon limit) at no charge throughout the year. Pesticide containers from area farmers are also accepted at no charge at the Bethany Church Rd, Oxford and Blackburn locations only. Antifreeze (5 gallon limit) is also accepted at the Bethany Church Rd and Blackburn locations only at no charge. Latex and oil-based paints are accepted at the Blackburn location only at no charge.

Convenience Center Locations:

Blackburn-located on Rocky Ford Rd
Open-Monday through Saturday
Hours-8:00 am-6:00 pm
Phone-704-462-2496
Closed-Sunday

Bethany Church Rd-
located on Bethany Church Rd
Open-Tuesday through Sunday
Hours-10:00 am-6:00 pm
Phone-828-465-4635
Closed-Monday

Cooksville-located on Rhoney Farm Rd
Open-Friday and Saturday
Hours-8:00 am-6:00 pm
Phone-704-462-1497
Closed-Sunday through Thursday

Oxford-located on Lookout Dam Rd
Open-Wednesday through Sunday
Hours-10:00 am-6:00 pm
Phone-828-241-3774
Closed-Monday and Tuesday

You can learn more about this event by contacting Amanda Kain, Catawba County Waste Reduction Coordinator at 828-465-8217, or the Utilities and Engineering Dept at 828-465-8261, or visit us on the web at www.catawbacountync.gov.

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Residential Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection

*Saturday
May 2, 2009
(Rain or Shine)*



Location:
Catawba County
Government Center
Parking Lot

Time: 9:00 am-3:00 pm

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Utilities and Engineering

Spring 2009 Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection

Catawba County will be conducting a residential household hazardous waste and electronics collection event at the Catawba County Government Center on Saturday, May 2, 2009. The collection will begin at 9:00 am and end at 3:00 pm. There is no fee for this event.

What is hazardous household waste?

Chances are, when you care for your home, car, yard, or garden, you use a variety of chemical products. Many of these products contain hazardous chemicals. Most household products are not harmful if used according to label directions. However, they can be harmful if you use them improperly, store them improperly, or dispose of unused portions improperly.

Why is proper disposal of hazardous household waste important?

These products can contaminate lakes, rivers, streams, and groundwater. 55% of all North Carolina residents and 97% of the State's rural residents rely on groundwater as a source of drinking water.

What can I expect on the day of the collection (May 2nd)? As you enter the Government Center parking lot you will be directed to the collection area. Event staff will ask you to complete a short survey regarding the collection event. The survey results help make subsequent events more successful. The hazardous waste contractor will ask you questions about the chemicals you bring to the event and remove them from your vehicle. *Please remain inside your car unless you have to unlock doors or trunks.* This will allow for quicker processing, and should shorten the length of waiting time.



What types of household hazardous waste and electronics will be accepted at the collection event?

- ✓ Household cleaners, such as drain openers, toilet bowl cleaners, oven cleaners, disinfectants, and pine cleaners.
- ✓ Paint products, such as solvents, thinners, shellacs, varnishes, wood preservatives, and sealers. **Latex and oil-based paint will be accepted, but these can also be disposed of year round at the Blackburn Convenience Center at no cost.**



- ✓ Automotive products including lead acid batteries, brake fluid, and auto starter fluid. **Used motor oil and transmission fluid will be accepted, but can be disposed of at four Convenience Centers year round at no cost (5 gallon limit). Antifreeze will also be accepted, but can be disposed of at the Blackburn and Bethany Church Rd Convenience Centers year round at no cost (5 gallon limit).**

- ✓ Pesticides and insecticides including poisons, aerosols, and weed killers.
- ✓ Miscellaneous materials such as acids, bases, kerosene, household batteries, photographic chemicals, pool chemicals, gas cylinders, and metallic mercury.
- ✓ **Electronics**—Computer monitors, televisions, VCR's, stereo's, cell phones, pagers, calculators, fax machines, etc.

Note: You are encouraged to remove all personal information from your electronic equipment. The County cannot guarantee the non-disclosure for any information left on electronic equipment.

What will NOT be accepted?

- χ Radioactive Wastes
- χ Biologically Active or Infectious Waste
- χ Unknown Cylinders
- χ Dioxin Related Waste
- χ Explosives
- χ Tires



Take Responsibility for Your Waste!

What should I do with my household hazardous waste after this event is over?

The best option is to *buy only as much as you need*, and simply use the product as it was intended. Bulk purchases may be cheaper per ounce, but then you are often stuck with extra material which must be disposed of. *Recycle* when you have the opportunity. Finally, *use safe alternatives* when you have the opportunity.

Look for the Fall 2009 Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Collection at the LP Frans Stadium, Hickory