

## **Unacceptable Items:**

**Tires** – Call local tire dealers.

**Electronics** – Call Goodwill Stores.

**Smoke Detectors** – Send back to the manufacturer.

**Latex Paint** – Can be put in trash if completely dry. (To dry, leave lids off, add kitty litter or sawdust for speedier drying). Paint hardener products are also available at various businesses. For a list call (231) 796-0909 x3.

**Automotive Batteries** – Area auto parts stores, or Recycle of Mecosta County.

**Ammunition or Explosives** –  
Call Sheriff - Lake Co. (745-2712)  
Mecosta Co. (592-0150)  
Osceola Co. (832-2288)

**Fire Extinguishers** – Call Northern Fire & Safety in Traverse City (231-947-6035)

**Radioactive Materials** – Call NRC Hotline at 1-800-233-3497 (Nuclear Regulatory Commission)

**Cell Phones** – *(Must be able to hold a charge)*  
Call Commission on Aging –  
Lake Co. (745-2401)  
Mecosta Co. (972-2884)  
Osceola Co. (734-5559)

**Construction/Remodeling Waste**  
(Ex. Drywall, tiles, shingles, insulation, wood/metal scraps, etc.) Call local waste hauler for disposal.

**Appliances and Furniture** – Call  
Wise Shopper – (231) 796-5840  
Hope House Ministries – (231) 592-0933  
Community Thrift Center – (231) 745-2551

**Rechargeable Batteries** – Accepted at Lowes or Radio Shack in Big Rapids

***Above items will NOT be accepted at the collection sites.***

**Clean Sweep is a simple and easy pesticide and mercury recovery program.**

### **Who can use the program?**

Any Michigan homeowner, farm, greenhouse, nursery, golf course or other end user of pesticides can use this service, but not dealers or persons who apply pesticides for hire.

### **What can I bring and how much?**

Old, unwanted, out-of-date or unusable pesticides can be dropped off for safe disposal. Bring whatever you have.

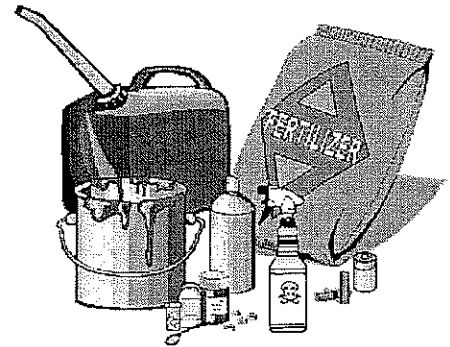
### **Tips for safe transport of hazardous materials:**

- Keep items in their original and labeled containers.
- Do not mix contents of unknown/unlabeled containers.
- Make sure that containers are not leaking prior to bringing them to a collection facility.
  - Inspect steel containers for rust, pinholes or deficient seams.
  - Place any leaking container in a clear plastic bag or leak proof container.
- Do not transport containers with open tops.
- Place chemicals in vehicle away from passengers.
- Secure all containers so they cannot slide tip or spill contents.

All Conservation District programs and services are offered on a nondiscriminatory basis without regard to race, color, national origin, religion, sex, age, marital status, or disability.

# **Clean Sweep and Household Hazardous Waste Disposal in Lake, Mecosta & Osceola Counties**

**October 9, 2010**



## **In cooperation with the Michigan Water Stewardship Clean Sweep Program**

*This service is provided to the residents of Lake, Mecosta and Osceola Counties and was made possible by the contributions of many businesses, organizations, foundations and governmental entities. Participation is free, but donations are greatly appreciated.*

**NOTE:** Last year we collected 24,172 pounds of household hazardous waste in the three counties, from 494 households. We appreciate everyone who participated. Thank You! If you would like to volunteer October 9, 2010, please call one of our offices.

## Household Hazardous Waste

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) are materials that, if disposed incorrectly, can cause environmental damage by contaminating ground and surface waters, threatening human health and wildlife.

Disposing of these products in storm drains allows these materials to enter surface waters untreated. Pouring on the ground leads to potential ground water (drinking water) contamination. These wastes should not be thrown in the trash. Liquid wastes are not allowed in Michigan landfills.

The dangers of such disposal methods may not be immediately obvious, but certain types of household hazardous waste have the potential to cause physical injury to sanitation workers; contaminate septic tanks or wastewater treatment systems if poured down drains or toilets; and present hazards to children and pets if left around the house.

Please use a product completely, give the remainder to neighbors, or take it to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Site. Empty containers can be disposed of with trash.

### Watch for the following signal words:

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|------------------|------------------|
| <b>TOXIC</b>     | <b>DANGER</b>    |
| <b>FLAMMABLE</b> | <b>WARNING</b>   |
| <b>CORROSIVE</b> | <b>CAUTION</b>   |
| <b>REACTIVE</b>  | <b>BIOHAZARD</b> |
| <b>POISON</b>    |                  |

*Please drop off hazardous waste at collection sites only during scheduled hours. We have no means of disposal at any other time. Thank you.*

## 2010 Collection **Saturday, October 9, 2010** **9:00 am to 12:00 noon**

Collection Sites:

**Lake County** – Wenger Pavilion, downtown Baldwin (behind Jones Ice Cream Parlor)

**Mecosta County** – Senior Center  
12954 80<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Mecosta

**Osceola County** – Road Commission South Facility, 4737 Makwa Drive, Hersey (US-10 east of 135<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

**Pre-registration is required if you have over 200 lbs. of waste for disposal.** To obtain a registration form or for more information contact:

**Lake County MSU Extension Office**  
915 Michigan Ave., Baldwin  
Phone: 231-745-2732  
Fax: 231-745-6213  
Email: [msue43@msu.edu](mailto:msue43@msu.edu)

**Mecosta Conservation District**  
18260 Northland Dr., Big Rapids  
Phone: 231-796-0909 Ext. 3  
Fax: 231-796-3607  
Email: [charmaine.lucas@mi.nacdnet.net](mailto:charmaine.lucas@mi.nacdnet.net)  
Web Site: [www.mecostacd.org](http://www.mecostacd.org)

**Osceola-Lake Conservation District**  
138 W. Upton Ave., Suite #2, Reed City  
Phone: 231-832-2950  
Fax: 231-832-2683  
Email: [charmaine.lucas@mi.nacdnet.net](mailto:charmaine.lucas@mi.nacdnet.net)  
Web Site: [www.osceolalakecd.org](http://www.osceolalakecd.org)

**A pre-registration form is required if bringing over 200 lbs. to the collection site and must be submitted to any contact above two weeks prior to the collection date.**

## Acceptable materials (not all inclusive):

### Automotive Products & Fuels

|                     |   |
|---------------------|---|
| Antifreeze          | Gasoline  |
| Brake Fluid         | Kerosene  |
| Car Wax             | *Motor Oil - containers must be 5 gallons or less in size - <b>NO DRUMS</b> |
| Contaminated Oil    | Oil/Gas Mixtures  |
| Diesel Fuel         | Transmission Fluid  |
| Fuel Oil (no tanks) |   |

### Paint Products

|                  |                     |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Artists' Paints  | Oil Based Paint     |
| Deck Stain       | Paint Strippers     |
| Preservatives    | Thinners & Solvents |
| Epoxies          | Turpentine          |
| Glue/Adhesives   | Varnish & Sealers   |
| Lead Based Paint |                     |

### Yard & Garden Products

|                   |                      |
|-------------------|----------------------|
| Insect Repellents | Fungicides           |
| Insect Foggers    | Chemical Fertilizers |
| Insect Killers    | Mouse/Rat Poison     |
| Pesticides        | Herbicides           |

### Cleaners

|                        |               |
|------------------------|---------------|
| Cleaning Solvents      | Naval Jelly   |
| Dry Cleaning Solutions | Oven Cleaners |
| Floor/Furniture Polish | Silver Polish |
| Muriatic Acid          | Metal Polish  |
| Rust Removers          |               |

### Miscellaneous

|                     |                     |
|---------------------|---------------------|
| Household Batteries | Nail Polish/Remover |
| Fluorescent -       | Pool Chemicals      |
| Light Bulbs         | Mercury -           |
| Lighter Fluids      | Thermometers        |
| Mercury (elemental) | & Thermostats       |
| Moth Balls          | Unused Medication   |

**\*Used motor oil–No 55 gallon drums - containers must be 5 gallons or less**