



NEWS ADVISORY

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HAZ WASTE DAYS TO BE HELD SEPT. 16 AND 17

Household Hazardous Waste Accepted at Missoula City Shops Friday and Saturday

The 19th Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event will be held this weekend at the City Shops on Scott Street at Turner Street. Hours will be Friday from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Missoula County residents are invited to bring hazardous waste for safe disposal. Many items are accepted at no charge – for instance, oil-based paints and stains, paint thinners, used motor oil and antifreeze – and others for a fee, such as pesticides and strong acids. This year also features a mercury fever thermometer exchange; bring your household's old mercury thermometer and receive a coupon for a free digital thermometer. Pesticides no longer registered by the EPA, such as DDT, chlordane and captan will also be accepted at no cost.

The event is sponsored by the Missoula Valley Water Quality District and the Missoula Wastewater Treatment Facility. For complete information on material accepted, look here:

<http://www.co.missoula.mt.us/wq/HHW/HazWasteDays/HHWDays.htm>

The Department of Agriculture is offering free disposal of up to 200 pounds of pesticides in Missoula on Sept. 14. Pre-registration is required; the deadline is past, on Sept. 2, but people needing this service can call (406) 444-5400 to arrange disposal. See the department's information page online at:

<http://agr.mt.gov/pestfert/disposal.asp>

The Haz Waste Days flyer also has detailed information about the event:

<http://mt-missoula.civicplus.com/Archive.aspx?ADID=4413>

Questions? Call 258-4890.

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