

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal Event to be held in Rhinebeck this Saturday

Poughkeepsie... Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency will host its next Household Hazardous Waste Disposal event on Saturday, October 6th at the Town Highway Department in Rhinebeck. The event is open to all Dutchess County residents and runs 7:30am to 9:30am. **Pre-registration is required** and there is a \$5 fee. Call the DCRRA at [\(845\) 463-6020](tel:8454636020) or visit <http://www.dcrra.org/> to pre-register and schedule an appointment.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) can be hazardous to children or household pets and can contaminate septic systems if they are left around the house. In order to decrease these risks, try to reduce your use of hazardous household waste wherever possible. You can do this by buying only what you need and using it all. If you do have leftovers, you can share it with someone else who needs it. You can also try to find natural or non-hazardous alternatives to using chemicals. If you still have some HHW left, bring it to a HHW collection event so it can be disposed of properly. Solid Waste Coordinator for Dutchess County, Lindsay Carille, said "Reduction in the use of HHW results in reduction of the potential hazards to our families and the environment." DCRRA Executive Director William Calogero concurs. He went on to say that, "It is better for the environment if, in addition to our disposing of HHW properly, we try to minimize our use of these products."

There will be one additional collection event for 2012 on Saturday, 11/3 at the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency.

HHW events are partially funded by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

"So whether you are cleaning out your kitchen, basement or your garage, sign up for the Hazardous Household Waste Disposal Day event and do your part to protect the environment," said Ms. Carille.

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