

# DCRRA to Host Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Recycling Event Saturday, May 3rd

**Poughkeepsie...** This year's long, harsh winter season has finally ended and spring is here! It's time for spring cleaning and de-cluttering garages, and basements. Fortunately, whether it is pool chemicals no longer needed, leftover varnish from last year's project, or an old television, it can be safely disposed of. The Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency will hold the second of eight scheduled Household Hazardous Waste and Electronics Recycling Events, Saturday, May 3rd. A complete list of accepted material is included below. Pre-registration is required and there is a \$5 fee. Call the Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency (DCRRA) at (845) 463-6020 or visit <http://www.dcrra.org/> to pre-register and schedule an appointment.

Dutchess County Deputy Commissioner of the Division of Solid Waste Management Lindsay Carille said, "People don't realize how many of the products they use on a regular basis are hazardous. Residents need a way to dispose of those items properly so that they don't pose a threat us, our neighbors, or our environment." Dangerous fumes may leak out of hazardous items that are sitting in storage. Chemicals can leak and pollute soil or groundwater. If it is disposed of improperly, it may mix with other chemicals, possibly creating a dangerous reaction or rendering it unrecyclable. "The best thing to do with an unused or unwanted hazardous product is to bring it to a Household Hazardous Waste event," Carille added.

"Last year, Dutchess County residents safely disposed of an impressive amount of hazardous wastes, electronics, and mercury-containing fluorescents. I hope this year will be even more successful," said DCRRA Executive Director William Calogero.

Collection events will be hosted throughout the year at a variety of locations throughout the county. The events are partially funded by the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation.

Saturday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency  
*(No medications accepted on this date)*

Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> Town of Rhinebeck Highway Department

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Dutchess Intermodal Center (Fishkill)

Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency\*

Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup> Cornell Cooperative Extension (Millbrook)

Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> Town of Rhinebeck Highway Department

Saturday, November 1<sup>st</sup> Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency\*

*\*Event will also feature safe medication disposal from 8am to 10am.*

*See below for a complete list of accepted HHW materials.*

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## **Dutchess County Resource Recovery Agency's 2014 Household Waste Disposal Days**

### ***Materials that WILL be accepted:***

Product containers marked with words: **"Warning"**, **"Hazardous"**, **"Flammable"**, **"Poisonous"**, or **"Corrosive"**

Photo chemicals, non latex driveway sealer, pool chemicals, creosote, kerosene, flammable liquids, metal polish, turpentine, stains, varnishes, strippers, thinners, gasoline/oil mixture, brake fluid, auto fluids, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, chemical fertilizers, adhesives, resins, solvents, oil & lead based paints (**no latex!**), mercury containing devices, button cell batteries for watches & hearing aids, lithium & sealed lead acid batteries, compact fluorescent lights and fluorescent tubes, and small non-Freon appliances (such as humidifiers, toasters, irons, and electric heaters.)

### **Electronic Equipment Collection**

Computer Monitors, Central Processing Units (CPU's), Modems, CRT's, Terminals, Laptops,  
Keyboards, Mouses, Fax Machines, Printers, Scanners, Copiers, Typewriters, TV's, VCR's,  
DVD Players, CD Players, Tape Players, Radios, Stereo Equipment, Cables, Answering Machines, Telephones & Video Game Systems.

Bins will also be available ***at the DCRRA location only*** to dispose of junk mail, white paper, magazines, newspaper and commingled bottles & cans. There is no fee charged and no registration needed for these bins.

***Materials that will NOT be accepted:***

Ammunition or explosives, asbestos products, latex driveway sealer & latex paint, motor oil, car batteries, antifreeze, broken glass, building or construction debris, tires, furniture, medical waste/medicines, propane or other flammable gas cylinders, radioactive materials, scrap metal, metal drums or empty containers, dehumidifiers, and air conditioners.