# Thursday, September 26, 2024 – Hazardous Waste/Clean Sweep

## **Hazardous Waste**

#### What is Hazardous Waste?

- Hazardous waste is waste that can harm the environment and human health if managed improperly.
- Look on product labels for words like: caution, toxic, flammable, reactive, volatile, corrosive, caustic, combustible, etc.

# City of Menomonie, Town of Menomonie & Town of Red Cedar Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Program

## 2024 Clean Sweep Date: Thursday, September 26th, 2 - 6 PM

- Community Services Building (Street Dept Shop), 621 11th Ave W, located across the street from the wastewater treatment plant
- Fees: \$10/vehicle (cash or check only)
- City of Menomonie, Town of Menomonie & Town of Red Cedar residents only
- Acceptable Items:
  - Antifreeze
  - Brake Fluid
  - Degreaser
  - Gasoline & Fuels
  - Batteries smaller than a car battery in size (no alkaline or car batteries)
  - Bulbs CFL, U-shape, Circular fluorescent, HID, Incandescent, Fluorescent Tubes, LED
  - PCB & Non-PCB Ballasts
  - Polish & Spot Removers
  - Pool Chemicals
  - Aerosol Cans (with product remaining, no empty cans)
  - Acids/Bases
  - Rodent Bait
  - Mercury
  - Oil & Lead Based Paint (no latex paint)
  - Oil-Based Stains & Polyurethanes
  - Adhesives
  - Turpentine, Strippers & Thinners
  - Insecticides
  - Fertilizer w/ Weed Killer
  - Herbicides
  - Fungicides
  - Rodenticides

#### Unacceptable Items

- Appliances
- Alkaline & Automotive Batteries
- Gas Tanks (propane, helium, spray foam, etc)
- Electronics
- Explosives (gunpowder, ammunition, fireworks)

- Latex Paint
- Medical Waste
- Pharmaceuticals
- Sharps
- Smoke Detectors
- Tires
- Fire Extinguishers

This is not an inclusive list of acceptable and unacceptable items. If you have questions, please contact the City of Menomonie.

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## **Latex Paint Disposal**

- Latex paint is not accepted at City of Menomonie Clean Sweep Hazardous Waste Collection events.
- Latex paint can be tossed in your regular trash once it is hardened and solid.
- Tips for for solidifying latex paint:
  - Remove lid and let air-dry
  - o Remove lid, mix in kitty litter, sawdust, shredded paper, etc and let air-dry
  - Remove lid and paint thin layers on a cardboard box until empty. Let air dry and toss the paint can, lid and cardboard box in the trash.

## **Year-Round Hazardous Waste Option**

- LRI (707 Lehmann Way, Somerset, WI)
  - o Residents must contact LRI and set up an appointment
  - Fees apply
  - Hazardous waste must be dropped off at their facility in Somerset
  - 800-558-1166 or 920-456-0336 or service@recyclewithlri.com

#### **Hazardous Waste Reduction Tips**

- Reducing the amount of hazardous chemicals in your home can help eliminate the need for hazardous waste disposal.
- Read labels carefully to determine if the product is considered hazardous.
- Only buy the amount of product you can use entirely.
- Store products properly in their original container.
- Share any usable, leftover products with a friend or neighbor.
- Switch to alternative non-hazardous products:
  - o Switch to water-based paints, stains, polyurethane, sealers, etc
  - Switch to natural cleaners instead of chemical cleaners
    - Natural Cleaner Recipes & Tips