Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Saturday, November 03, 2018 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. City of Murfreesboro Public Works Facility 4765 Florence Road Murfreesboro, TN

The Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC), in collaboration with Rutherford County and City of Murfreesboro governments, are hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection (HHW) on Saturday, November 03 from 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the City of Murfreesboro Public Works Facility, 4765 Florence Road in Murfreesboro.

TDEC is also hosting numerous other HHW collections throughout the State that citizens may chose to attend if unable to attend the November 3 collection in Murfreesboro. For an online schedule please go to: https://www.tn.gov/environment/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-program/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-program/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-collection-event-schedule.html Tennessee citizens are allowed to dispose of household hazardous waste at any of the collections; it is not necessary to be a resident of that particular county where the collection is held. All households are encouraged to participate to properly dispose of hazardous materials.

Acceptable items: Home maintenance/improvement products such as used strippers and thinners, adhesives, driveway sealant, roofing tar and wallpaper remover. Home lawn and garden products include pesticides, fertilizers and wood preservatives. Acceptable miscellaneous items include pool chemicals, photo processing chemicals, aerosols/compressed gas, mercury thermostats and thermometers, fluorescent tubes, and compact fluorescent bulbs. Medicines and drugs will also be accepted, but please empty medications into a zip-lock plastic bag before bringing to the event. Needles and sharps in puncture proof containers with sealed lids are now accepted. For a complete list refer to:

https://www.tn.gov/environment/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-program/sw-mm-household-hazardous-waste-acceptable-unacceptable-items.html

Items NOT accepted: Infectious wastes, automotive gas tanks, explosives, ammunition, gun powder, fireworks, radioactive wastes such as smoke detectors and radium paint.

PAINT IS NOT ACCEPTED at this collection. For directions on solidifying latex paint and information on the collection of oil-based paint, please refer to http://solidwaste.rutherfordcountytn.gov/oil-based-paint.html

Electronic waste is also NOT accepted at his event. Instead, it is collected each Monday through Thursday, and Saturday from 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. at 1140 Haley Road in Murfreesboro. For more information please go to: http://solidwaste.rutherfordcountytn.gov/electronic-waste.html

Small Business Hazardous Waste Disposal

For a fee and advance reservations, small businesses may properly dispose of hazardous materials immediately following the household hazardous waste collection through the conditionally-exempt-small-quantity-generators program (CESQG). This is for businesses such as automotive painting and repair shops, beauty salons, construction companies, dentists, dry cleaners, painters, print shops, property managers, public storage businesses or any other business or not-for-profit agency that needs to dispose of hazardous materials. Please contact Clean Harbors Environmental Services at 615 643-3170 or by email at TNCESQG@cleanharbors.com for a price quote and appointment time.

For more information about the HHW/CESQG programs contact Mimi D. Keisling, Environmental Education Coordinator, 615 542-4633 or mkeisling@rutherfordcountytn.gov.