

# HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017**

**GCC MAIN CAMPUS AND ORANGE TRANSFER STATION**

**PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED BY SEPTEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup>**

**Register online at: [www.franklincountywastedistrict.org](http://www.franklincountywastedistrict.org)  
or fill out the form on the back of this sheet and mail it.**

Your appointment time and directions will be mailed after registration is processed.

**For residents and businesses of the following towns:** Athol, Barre\*, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Deerfield, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leverett, Montague, New Salem, Northfield, Orange, Petersham, Phillipston\*, Rowe, Royalston, Shelburne, Sunderland\*, Warwick, Wendell, and Whately.

This collection event is free for residents. \*Barre, Phillipston and Sunderland residents must pay to participate in 2017. First come, first served. Greenfield and Leyden residents are not eligible and should call (413) 772-1528 for info on disposal. For business registration and pricing information, call (413) 772-2438.



## WHAT TO BRING

**Any substance labeled: CAUSTIC, TOXIC, CORROSIVE, POISON, FLAMMABLE, WARNING, DANGER, CAUTION**



### FROM YOUR YARD

Flea powder  
Fungicides  
Herbicides  
Insect sprays  
Lighter fluid  
Muriatic acid  
No-Pest strips  
Pesticides  
Pool chemicals  
Rodent killers  
Root killers

### FROM YOUR GARAGE

Antifreeze  
Asphalt sealer  
Automobile batteries  
Brake fluid  
Carburetor cleaner  
Creosote sealer  
Engine degreaser  
Gas treatments  
Gasoline  
Kerosene  
Radiator flusher  
Solvents  
Transmission fluid  
Used motor oil

### FROM YOUR WORKSHOP

Aerosol cans (paint/haz.)  
Degreasers  
Lead & oil-based paints  
(No latex paint)  
Paint thinners  
Photo chemicals  
Roofing tar  
Rust inhibitors  
Sealants  
Solvents  
Stains  
Varnish  
Wood preservatives  
Wood strippers

### FROM YOUR HOME

Arts & crafts supplies  
Batteries: *button, lithium + rechargeable*  
Chemistry kits  
Drain cleaners  
Furniture polish  
Mercury thermometers  
Mercury thermostats  
Metal polish  
Mothballs  
Oven cleaners  
Spot remover  
Toilet cleaners  
Upholstery cleaner

### WHAT NOT TO BRING

Fluorescent light bulbs (see reverse for alternate disposal), latex paint, empty containers from hazardous products (put empties in trash, not recycling), gas cylinders, radioactive material, explosives (including ammunition & fireworks)

Help make Franklin County mercury-free by exchanging your mercury thermometer for a free non-mercury one. For more information: [www.franklincountywastedistrict.org](http://www.franklincountywastedistrict.org) or call the Franklin County Solid Waste District at **(413) 772-2438**.

MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD).

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## Safe Home—Healthy Home



We are exposed to harmful chemicals in many ways—including products we use to clean our homes or maintain our gardens. Only a small portion of the more than 80,000 chemicals registered by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) have been thoroughly tested for human health concerns. Many common chemicals found in our homes can have immediate toxic effects on adults, children, and pets if not used properly. Others may have long-term health effects after repeated exposure. Particles from detergents, cosmetics, pesticides, and other chemicals are found in the dust in our homes, potentially contributing to asthma.

We can make our homes safer by changing our purchasing habits, adopting some minor changes to the way we clean our homes or care for our lawns and gardens, and through proper storage, use, and disposal of household chemicals. When considering a chemical product, ask yourself if something else you already have will do the job. There are a wide variety of nontoxic or low-toxic products available. Common household items such as baking soda, vinegar, and plant-based soaps can often clean just as well as specialty cleaners.



Mercury-containing products such as thermometers, thermostats and compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) should never be disposed of in the trash. CFLs and other fluorescent bulbs are accepted at Lowe’s, at all District transfer stations, and Greenfield Transfer Station (handle carefully and hand to attendant). Additionally, mercury-containing items and bulbs are accepted at the Regional Hazardous Waste Collection sites in Bernardston, Colrain, and Conway. At the annual Hazardous Waste Collection Day, only mercury-containing items such as thermostats and thermometers will be accepted; fluorescent bulbs are no longer accepted at the annual Hazardous Waste Collection.

Rechargeable, lithium, and button batteries are other common household items that should not be thrown in the trash. When these batteries are burned in waste combustion facilities or buried in landfills they can release mercury, cadmium or other heavy metals into the air and water, ultimately entering the food chain and posing health threats to people and the environment. Proper disposal of batteries and cell phones is free at all District transfer stations; simply hand them to the transfer station attendant. Towns that do not have transfer stations have collection boxes at town hall. Batteries are also accepted at the annual Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

*For information on alternatives to chemical products, and information about proper disposal of hazardous chemicals, mercury and sharps (needles), call (413) 772-2438 or visit [www.franklincountywastedistrict.org](http://www.franklincountywastedistrict.org). MA Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD). The District is an equal opportunity provider.*

### **Hazardous Waste Day Registration; submit between Aug. 17 and Sept. 15:**

**Please fill out this form completely and mail to:**  
FCSWMD, 50 Miles St., Greenfield MA 01301

Resident name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Town of residence: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Specify type and quantity of waste**  
**Ex: 2 gallons gas, 5 lbs. pesticides**  
**Please be specific!**

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