



Clinton County Department of Waste Management Clean Community Event Guidance Sheet FALL 2020

Please review this guidance sheet. It provides examples of the types of materials accepted at each of the collection stations, fees charged if any, and special guidelines for some items. **Please make checks payable to "Clinton County DWM"**. For more information please call 989-224-5186 or email recycle@clinton-county.org.

STATION #1 - PARTICIPANT CHECK-IN – DRIVEWAY #5 ON WOOD ROAD

Volunteers will be asking a couple questions and assessing any charges you may owe for televisions and computer monitors. **Please note:** there is a \$10 fee for each television and computer monitor. Payment is due at Station #5 – donations are accepted and appreciated!

STATION #2 - HOUSEHOLD AND SMALL BUSINESS HAZARDOUS WASTE

*Residents and Farmers can drop-off all hazardous wastes and automotive fluids for FREE. **Businesses must call the office prior to Friday, September 6th** to receive and complete proper paperwork (989) 224-5186. Fees are assessed on business waste according to vendor charges to the County, which vary for each material, but are less than those charged by the private sector. **Motor oil and antifreeze are free of charge.***

EXAMPLES:

- Agricultural and landscaping chemicals such as herbicides, insecticides, pesticides, fertilizers, fungicides, etc.
- Automotive fluids such as motor oil, antifreeze, gasoline, brake fluid, carburetor and fuel injection cleaners, gasoline starter fluids, etc.
- Cleaners and solvents such as drain openers, oven cleaners, metal cleaners and polishes, grease and rust solvents, etc.
- Building/remodeling materials such as paint thinners, oil based paint, strippers and removers, adhesives, wood preservatives, etc.
- Rechargeable batteries such as Nickel Cadmium, Nickel Metal Hydride, Lithium, and Small sealed lead batteries, or small "button" batteries as they contain small amounts of mercury and silver.
- Household (alkaline) batteries.
- Compact fluorescent lights, fluorescent lights, PCB light ballasts, transformers, capacitors, electric lamps, etc.
- Spent fuel such as kerosene, propane (cylinders and tanks), etc.
- Unwanted or expired over-the-counter or prescription medications.
- Other miscellaneous substances such as photographic chemicals, swimming pool chemicals, mercury or mercury-containing items, and any known or unknown substances that fall into hazardous material classifications such as acids, bases, flammables, oxidizers, halogenated/non-halogenated solvents; aqueous liquids; liquids containing heavy metals, cyanide, sulfide, and other chemicals that may be corrosive.

DO NOT BRING LIST:

- **Car and lawn mower batteries.** Lead acid batteries cannot be put in a landfill, but can be easily returned to any service station or retail establishment that sells them, as the law requires any seller of automotive batteries to accept them back from consumers. A small fee of \$3 to \$5 may be charged. Bee's Sports & St Johns Lions Club drop off recycling center in St. Johns will accept lead acid batteries for free. Call for details 989-224-3201.

- **Latex paint.** Latex paint is water based, which means it isn't hazardous. It isn't accepted through this program in order to control costs, as it can be safely landfilled. It can be disposed of with household waste as long as it is completely dried out. Recommended drying methods are to simply remove the lid and let the can sit. To speed up drying time, mix in cat litter, saw dust or pour paint into a box with either material. Once the paint is dry, throw everything out with household trash. If the paint is completely dry it can be disposed of with junk items at the spring Clean Community Event (held in April – fees apply).

STATION #3 – RESIDENTIAL AND SMALL BUSINESS ELECTRONIC WASTE

Residents can bring items in most items for FREE. There will be a \$10 charge for all TVs and Computer Monitors. Payment due at check out - cash or check only the day of the event.

EXAMPLES:

- Televisions (\$10 charge per item)
- Computer monitors (\$10 charge per item)
- Computer peripherals, e.g. CPUs, printers, scanners, laptop, projector, etc. (FREE)
- Other consumer electronics e.g. fax machines, desktop copiers, audio/stereo equipment, VCR, DVD, cell phone and other telecommunication devices, video camera, etc. (FREE)

DO NOT RECYCLE WITH ELECTRONICS:

- Air conditioners
- Microwave ovens (*junk if plastic, scrap metal if metal*)
- Major appliances (*scrap metal*)
- Kitchen items such as blenders, toasters, bread makers, etc. (*junk*)
- Anything containing gas or Freon (*propane tanks or gas cylinders go to hazardous waste*).

STATION #4 –BOOKS, MAGAZINES & PHONE BOOKS

This is FREE for residents and businesses. All items are collected by Michigan State University Surplus and are accepted at their discretion. Local libraries will be on hand to go through the books for reuse before they are sent to MSU Surplus to be sorted and recycled.

- Hardcover books, encyclopedias, text books
- Paperback books
- Magazines and catalogs
- Phone books

STATION # 4 - REUSABLE RESIDENTIAL BUILDING MATERIALS

This is FREE for residents and businesses. All items are collected by Clinton County Habitat for Humanity and are accepted at their discretion.

- Working appliances/dishwashers, range tops, washer/dryers ovens etc.
- Architectural items such as columns, mantel pieces, fireplaces etc.
- Bathroom fittings-tubs, sinks, showers, commodes
- Doors-solid, hollow, storm
- Cabinets and countertops
- Electrical items-plugs and wiring
- Fans
- Flooring materials
- Hardware
- Lighting
- Lumber
- Piping and plumbing materials
- Roofing
- Power and hand tools
- Vents - floor, ceiling, return
- Wall board and covering

STATION #5 - PAYMENT, CHECK OUT, MERCURY THERMOMETER EXCHANGE

Unless previous arrangements are made, payment is due at the event in the form of a check made payable to Clinton County DWM, cash is also accepted. Receipts are required to be provided. Participants can exchange their old mercury fever thermometer for a free digital one! Donations are accepted and appreciated!

TROUBLE SHOOTING

Aerosol Cans – if full HAZARDOUS WASTE.

Expired or Unwanted Medications –HAZARDOUS WASTE

Compact Fluorescent Lights - HAZARDOUS WASTE

Gas Tanks or Cans –Any small gas cans with gas go to HAZARDOUS WASTE.

Pressurized Tanks – to HAZARDOUS WASTE.



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