



MONTGOMERY  
COUNTY  
PENNSYLVANIA

# Household Hazardous Waste

## 2026 Residential Event Dates

By Appointment Only. Preregistration is Required.

Free residential collection events are held outdoors. There are no permanent drop off locations, only these collection events. Montco residents may also attend any Household Hazardous Waste event held by [Bucks](#), [Chester](#), [Delaware](#), or [Philadelphia](#) Counties.

Please do not contact the host sites, as they are not affiliated with the events.

In case of severe weather, call 610.278.3618, option 6 for event status.

Contact us at:

[Recycling@MontgomeryCountyPA.gov](mailto:Recycling@MontgomeryCountyPA.gov)



Pennsylvania Department  
of Environmental  
Protection

## Register at

[www.MontcoPARecycles.org](http://www.MontcoPARecycles.org)

### Dates

#### **Saturday, April 25**

Indian Valley Middle School  
130 Maple Avenue  
Harleysville

#### **Saturday, June 6**

Temple University–Ambler  
Campus  
Enter at 1431 E. Butler Pike  
Ambler

#### **Saturday, June 20**

Norristown Area High School  
1900 Eagle Drive  
Norristown

#### **Saturday, June 27**

Abington Middle School  
Enter at  
2056 Susquehanna Road  
Abington

#### **Saturday, September 26**

Spring-Ford 9th Grade Center  
400 South Lewis Road  
Royersford

#### **SUNDAY, October 11**

Lower Merion Transfer Station  
1300 N. Woodbine Avenue  
Penn Valley

# Acceptable Household Materials

| paint products                     | outdoor products                 | automotive products                                  | household products                                         | household other                              |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| Turpentine                         | Swimming Pool Chemicals          | Grease & Rust Solvents                               | Drain Openers                                              | Acids, Caustics, Solvents                    |
| Paint Thinners                     | Weed Killers                     | Fuel Additives                                       | Rug Cleaners                                               | Flammables                                   |
| Strippers & Removers               | Septic Tank Degreasers           | Carburetor Cleaners                                  | Wood & Metal Cleaners                                      | Oxidizers, Reactives                         |
| Oil-Based Paints                   | Asphalt Sealers                  | Transmission/Brake Fluid                             | Mothballs/Flakes                                           | Aerosols                                     |
| Stains, Varnish                    | Caulking Compounds               | Antifreeze                                           | Adhesives/Solvents                                         | Mercury (Thermostats & Thermometers)         |
| Shellac                            | Joint Compound                   | Car(lead-acid), Truck, Motorcycle, Marine, Batteries | Rechargeable Batteries, Lithium, Ni-Cad, Button, Lead Acid | Fluorescent Tubes and CFLs                   |
| Other Solvent-Based Paint Products | Roof Cements                     | Gas, Oil, Gas Oil Mixture                            | Spot Removers, Dry Cleaning Fluid                          | Ballast (must be removed from light fixture) |
| Wallpaper Cement                   | MINI Propane Tanks, No BBQ Tanks | Road Flares, No Marine Flares                        | Fire Extinguishers                                         | Electric Oil-filled Heaters                  |
| Spray Paint                        | Pesticide                        |                                                      | Kerosene                                                   |                                              |

## Unacceptable Materials

|                                                         |                            |                            |                    |
|---------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------|
| 25- or 50-Gallon Drums (5 Gallon Bucket Maximum)        | Alkaline Batteries (Trash) | Appliances/White Goods     | Asbestos           |
| BBQ-Sized Propane Tanks (leave at local exchange sites) | Electronics/Televisions    | Explosives & Ammunition    | Freon/Refrigerants |
| Gas Cylinders                                           | Helium Tanks               | Latex Paint* (Water-Based) | Radioactive Waste  |
| Sharps, Infectious or Medical Waste, Prescription Drugs | Smoke Detectors            | Tires                      | Unidentified Waste |

\* Take off lid, dry out paint, discard can without lid; or pour paint into plastic bag with absorbent material (clay-based kitty litter, saw dust, rags) place bag and can without lid, in trash. Paint hardener can also be purchased at hardware stores.

For a list of where to recycle unacceptable materials, please visit the Recycling Guide: Recycling items from A - Z at <https://www.montgomerycountypa.gov/1923/A-Z-RECYCLING-WHAT-TO-DO-WHEN-YOURE-DONE>

## Drop off guidelines

- Leave items at home that are not for the event so that they are not removed accidentally.
- If you need your gas can or container returned, please tape a note to it stating that you want to keep it.
- You may arrive any time within your registered appointment window.
- Please print out your ticket or write your name and appointment time on a piece of paper, **and place it on your dash-board where it is visible to event staff.**
- If you cannot attend the event, please cancel your appointment through your Eventbrite ticket or by emailing Recycling@MontgomeryCountyPA.gov, as others may be waiting for an opening.
- NO TVs, electronics, or appliances will be accepted.
- Event workers will unload your materials so please remain in your vehicle.
- BUSINESSES AND CONTRACTORS WILL BE TURNED AWAY, no commercial/industrial waste accepted.
- Bring all substances in original containers with labels. Items must be identifiable. Do not mix materials.
- Tighten lids on all containers. If containers are leaking, pack in larger container with newspaper to soak up leaks.
- NO 25- OR 50-GALLON DRUMS ALLOWED. Five-gallon buckets are the largest acceptable container. Maximum amount accepted per vehicle is 25 gallons or 220 pounds.
- There are no permanent drop off locations in the region for household hazardous waste, only the listed collections.