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Illinois EPA Announces Ten Spring 2023 Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events

One-day collection events resume, in addition to five long-term collection locations resuming acceptance of approved waste

SPRINGFIELD – Following a temporary suspension of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collections, Illinois EPA Director John J. Kim is announcing ten upcoming HHW one-day collection locations for the spring of 2023. Operations have also resumed at five previously established long-term HHW collection locations. Illinois EPA offers residents free HHW collection events to safely dispose of unused or leftover hazardous products commonly found in homes.

“The Illinois EPA is pleased to announce we are resuming one-day Household Hazardous Waste collection events in Illinois. These events receive tremendous response from residents, and we know they were missed during the unexpected delay in collections. We are also happy to announce long-term collection locations in Chicago, Naperville, Rockford, Lake County, and Madison County are back to accepting all approved residential waste items,” **said Director Kim**. “We would like to thank our local partners and co-sponsors who have worked to make these collections possible, providing residents with opportunity to safely dispose of unwanted chemicals and potentially hazardous products.”

One-day collections are open to all Illinois residents and operate from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the day of the event. Pre-registration is required for all spring 2023 collection events. Residents participating are encouraged to bring chemical cleaners, oil-based paints, thinners, antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, kerosene, weed killers, insecticides, and pesticides, old or outdated medication, and similar hazardous household products. Fluorescent and other high-intensity discharge lamps may also be brought to the collections. **ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED** include latex paint, explosives, propane tanks, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, agricultural chemicals, and business wastes.

For safe transport of HHW, residents are asked to:

- Pack HHW items in a disposable box to avoid spilling during transport.
- Keep like chemicals together and separate unlike chemicals.
- Secure lids and make sure containers are not leaking.

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- Place box(es) of HHW in the empty trunk or storage compartment of your vehicle, away from passengers during transport.
- **Remain in vehicle at collection site.** On-site personnel will remove the HHW from your vehicle.

A complete list of wastes that are and are not accepted is available online at <https://epa.illinois.gov/topics/waste-management/waste-disposal/household-hazardous-waste/acceptable-wastes.html>. The spring 2023 one-day collections are scheduled on Saturdays as follows:

DATE	LOCATION	ADDRESS	Public Contacts
April 15	Champaign <i>Champaign County</i> Registration Link	State Farm Arena 1800 S. First Street Champaign, IL 61820	jhall@co.champaign.il.us recycling@champaignil.gov crkwong@urbanaininois.us
April 22	South Holland <i>Cook County</i> Registration Link	South Suburban College 15800 S. State Street South Holland, IL 60473	wasteandrecycling@cookcountyiil.gov
April 29	Ottawa <i>LaSalle County</i> Registration Link	LaSalle County Court House 707 E. Etna Road Ottawa, IL 61350	landuse@lasallecountyiil.gov
May 6	Springfield <i>Sangamon County</i> Registration Link	Illinois State Fairgrounds 801 E. Sangamon Avenue Springfield, IL 62702	Public.works@springfield.il.us
May 20	Orland Park <i>Cook County</i> Registration Link	Orland Park Village Center 14700 Ravinia Avenue Orland Park, IL 60467	highway@orlandroaddistrict.org
June 3	Macomb <i>McDonough County</i> Registration Links	Western Illinois University 306 W. University Drive Macomb, IL 61455	mchd@mchdept.com
June 10	Taylorville <i>Christian County</i> Registration Link	Christian County Fairgrounds 1716 W. Spresser St. Taylorville, IL 62568	Information@ccsolidwaste.com
June 10	Peoria <i>Peoria County</i> Registration Link	Location TBA	recycling@peoriacounty.org
June 24	Lake in the Hills <i>McHenry County</i> Registration Link	Location TBA	kmboeckmann@mchenrycountyiil.gov
June 24	Carbondale <i>Jackson County</i> Registration Link	Banterra Center, South Lot 1400 Arena Drive Carbondale, IL 62903	kerrig@jchdonline.org
*NOTE: All one-day collection events for spring 2023 require pre-registration.			

In addition to the one-day collections, the following long-term collection facilities are available for disposal of HHW throughout the year:

- **Naperville**, 156 Fort Hill Drive (immediately North of Naperville Public Works), DuPage County, www.naperville.il.us/hhw.aspx
Hours: Saturdays 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Sundays 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM, Phone: 630-420-6095
- **Rockford**, Four Rivers Sanitation Authority, 3333 Kishwaukee, Winnebago County
<https://rockfordil.gov/city-departments/community-and-economic-development/sanitation/household-hazardous-waste/>
Hours: Saturdays 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Sundays Noon – 4:00 PM, Phone: 779-348-7425
- **Chicago**, Goose Island, 1150 North Branch, Cook County www.cityofchicago.org/hccrf
Hours: Tuesdays 7:00 AM – Noon, Thursdays 2:00 PM – 7:00 PM, and First Saturday of every month 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM, Phone: 312-744-3060
- **Lake County**, The Solid Waste Agency of Lake County (SWALCO) currently operates a long-term household chemical waste collection program. Information and a collection schedule can be found on their website (www.swalco.org) or by calling 847-336-9340.
- **Madison County**, Madison County Building & Zoning, 249 N. Old St. Louis Road, Wood River, Madison County,
https://www.co.madison.il.us/departments/planning_and_development/recycle_events.php
Hours: First Saturday and Third Friday of every Month 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM. **Appointments are required.** See website to schedule your appointment. Questions: 618-296-5237 or recycling@co.madison.il.us

For questions concerning the Illinois EPA's one-day or long-term collections, please contact Don Buis with the Illinois EPA Waste Reduction Unit at 217-785-4116. HHW collection schedules are also available on the Illinois EPA website at <https://epa.illinois.gov/topics/waste-management/waste-disposal/household-hazardous-waste/collections.html>. Illinois EPA HHW collections continue to be contactless for the safety of participants and workers. Collection events are funded through the Illinois EPA's Solid Waste Fund.

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