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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 <u>all Illinois residents</u> 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paints, thinners, antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline, kerosene, weed killers, insecticides, and pesticides, old or outdated medication, and similar hazardous household products.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.

- 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	State Farm Arena	jhall@co.champaign.il.us
	Champaign County	1800 S. First Street	recycling@champaignil.gov
	Registration Link	Champaign, IL 61820	crkwong@urbanaillinois.us
April 22	South Holland	South Suburban College	wasteandrecycling@cookcountyil
	Cook County	15800 S. State Street	<u>.gov</u>
	Registration Link	South Holland, IL 60473	
April 29	Ottawa	LaSalle County Court House	landuse@lasallecountyil.gov
	LaSalle County	707 E. Etna Road	
	Registration Link	Ottawa, IL 61350	
May 6	Springfield	Illinois State Fairgrounds	Public.works@springfield.il.us
	Sangamon County	801 E. Sangamon Avenue	
	Registration Link	Springfield, IL 62702	
May 20	Orland Park	Orland Park Village Center	highway@orlandroaddistrict.org
	Cook County	14700 Ravinia Avenue	
	Registration Link	Orland Park, IL 60467	
June 3	Macomb	Western Illinois University	mchd@mchdept.com
	McDonough County	306 W. University Drive	
	Registration Links	Macomb, IL 61455	
June 10	Taylorville	Christian County Fairgrounds	Information@ccsolidwaste.com
	Christian County	1716 W. Spresser St.	
	Registration Link	Taylorville, IL 62568	
June 10	Peoria	Location TBA	recycling@peoriacounty.org
	Peoria County		
	Registration Link		
June 24	Lake in the Hills	Location TBA	kmboeckmann@mchenrycountyi
	McHenry County		<u>l.gov</u>
	Registration Link		
June 24	Carbondale	Banterra Center, South Lot	kerrig@jchdonline.org
	Jackson County	1400 Arena Drive	
	Registration Link	Carbondale, IL 62903	
*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. <u>Appointments are required</u>. 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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