

# Chippewa County 2026 Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Schedule



Take a look in your garage, kitchen, basement, or workshop. Some of the household products you find here may require special consideration in their use, storage, and disposal. Improper disposal of these products can cause fires, injuries to people and animals, and groundwater contamination. Chippewa County is making it easy for residents to get rid of household hazardous waste. Please consult the table below for a convenient time and location. Please call the Chippewa County Recycling Program at **715-726-7999** if you have any questions.

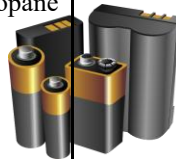
<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Time</u>
Saturday <b>Apr. 25</b>	Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds 225 Edward St, Chippewa Falls	8 am - Noon
Saturday <b>Oct. 10</b>	Northern Wisconsin State Fairgrounds 225 Edward St, Chippewa Falls	8 am - Noon

### DO BRING:

Oil/solvent-based paints	Heavy metal paints
Antifreeze	Corrosives
Solvents	Cleaners
Wood preservatives	Oil Filters
Waste motor oil	Fluorescent bulbs
Fuel mixtures, kerosene, fuel oil	Aerosol cans
Thinners, strippers, stains, varnish	1 and 20 lb. propane cylinders
Mercury and other heavy metals	Fertilizers
Lead acid batteries	Fungicides
Pesticides	Herbicides
Insecticides	

### Batteries:

**(All batteries must have both terminals individually taped with clear packaging tape)**



### DO NOT BRING:

- Mattresses
- Tires
- Furniture
- Latex paint
- Radioactives
- Business waste
- Empty and dry containers
- Explosives or ammunition
- Biological and infectious wastes
- Pressurized cylinders
- Picric Acid
- PCB's
- Spray Foam Insulation Cylinders

**HAZARDOUS WASTE WILL BE ACCEPTED FOR FREE FROM ALL CHIPPEWA COUNTY RESIDENTS!!**

## ***Clean Sweep Collection and Disposal Guidelines***

1. *No commercial or industrial wastes will be accepted.*
2. *All products must be in original containers or positively identified for liability and safety reasons.*
3. *DO NOT MIX substances together – lethal products can result.*
4. *Package carefully – line a cardboard box with a plastic bag or separate each product with folded newspaper.*
5. *Before deciding to bring a product to the Clean Sweep consider using it up according to label directions or give it to a friend or neighbor who will use it as intended.*

## ***An Ounce of Prevention***

Your participation in Clean Sweep will prevent serious accidents in your home and the environment. You can clean hazardous materials out of your home and be rest assured they will receive proper disposal through Clean Sweep.

## ***Lending a Helping Hand***

Do you have elderly or disabled neighbors or family members who can't make it to a Clean Sweep? Lend a helping hand and help the environment. Volunteer to take their household hazardous wastes to a Clean Sweep collection site for them.



## ***Latex Paint, What to do!?!***

Many Chippewa County residents wonder why Chippewa County Clean Sweep events have never accepted latex paint. Latex paint is composed of primarily water and small amounts of other materials which are essentially non-toxic. Because latex paint is made up of primarily water it can be evaporated and dried out by the homeowner and does not need to be handled through an expensive Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Program. Here are some tips on how to dispose of latex paint at home.

### **For small amounts of paint:**

- # Remove the lid and let the paint dry in the can. Stir the paint occasionally to speed drying.
- # Or, brush paint in layers on newspaper or cardboard.

### **For larger amounts of latex:**

- # Pour one-inch layers of paint into a cardboard box lined with plastic. Allow the paint to dry one layer at a time - thin layers will speed up the drying process.
- # Or, mix paint with cat litter, sawdust or redi-mix concrete (1:1 ratio) in cardboard boxed lined with plastic and let dry.

Throw the completely dried paint, cans and other materials in the trash. Leave the lids off paint cans so garbage haulers will see that the paint is dry and accept them.