



News From

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MONROE COUNTY TO HOST NORTHWEST REGIONAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

Monroe County Executive Maggie Brooks today announced that the County's Department of Environmental Services (DES) and the Towns of Hamlin, Clarkson, Ogden, Parma, and Sweden and the Villages of Brockport, Hilton, and Spencerport will partner to hold an **appointment-only** Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) collection at the Town of Hamlin Highway Garage, 91 Railroad Avenue, on **Saturday, June 21, 2008 from 8 a.m. to 12 noon.**

Most HHW (paint, flammables and other chemicals from home-use) is safe when used and stored properly. When these products become unwanted and are disposed of improperly, these household wastes can become environmental hazards.

"This collection gives all Monroe County residents the opportunity to dispose of potentially hazardous chemicals in a safe manner and extends the useful life of our County landfill," said Monroe County Executive **Maggie Brooks**. *"This program is another example of how Monroe County is working with our local municipalities to meet the needs of residents and make our community a more sustainable place."*

This service is **open to all Monroe County residents**. To ensure safety and reduce waiting times, **appointments are required** at all HHW collections throughout the year. Appointments for this HHW collection can be made until June 20th.

To schedule an appointment, call:

- **964-2421** if you are a **Hamlin or Clarkson resident**.
- **617-6161** if you are an **Ogden or Spencerport resident**.
- **392-9464** if you are a **Hilton or Parma resident**.
- **637-2144** if you are a **Brockport or Sweden resident**.
- **753-7600 (option #3)** if you live **anywhere else in Monroe County**.

Waste from businesses will not be accepted.

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Up to 30 gallons of the following materials will be accepted per appointment at no charge:

- Oil-based & Latex Paint (for 1/3-gallon or less of Latex Paint: discard lid, add kitty litter, let dry, place can in trash)
- Wood Stain & Preservatives
- Automotive Fluids (antifreeze; brake, power steering and transmission fluids)
- Pesticides & Fertilizers
- Flammable Products (gasoline, kerosene, thinners, strippers, solvents)
- Household Cleaners (liquid soaps & waxes, drain cleaners, etc.)
- Driveway Sealer
- Pool & Photo Chemicals
- Rechargeable (Ni-Cad) & Button Batteries
- Mercury (thermometers, thermostats)
- Syringes/Sharps (safely packaged)

Do Not Bring: used motor oil & vehicle batteries (contact service station or retailer); propane tanks (permanent HHW facility only); cans with dried paint (if it rattles when shaken – remove lid and place in trash); empty containers (trash or recycle); everyday alkaline batteries (trash); glazing/spackle & joint compounds (trash).

If residents are unable to take advantage of this mobile HHW collection, the County's permanent collection facility is open (by appointment only) weekly. For more information or for business waste disposal options, call the Department of Environmental Services at 753-7600 (option 3), or go on-line to www.monroecounty.gov

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