

LARGE APPLIANCES & TIRES



The Authority accepts large appliances and tires for recycling. Ozone damaging gasses are safely recovered, and the metal is salvaged. This is the environmentally preferred option over disposing of them in the landfill.

If you live in a community that has a contract with one refuse hauler to pick up trash in the entire municipality, large appliances and tires are usually collected on special days. There are extra charges for such services. Call your municipal office for more information.

If you hire your own trash hauler, most of them collect appliances and tires. There is usually an extra charge for such services. Call your waste hauler for more information.

If your trash hauler does not accept large appliances and tires, you may hire another trash hauler to pick up those items for you. Or you may bring appliances and tires to Authority facilities. The Authority charges a fee; please call the office for details.

PRESCRIPTION DRUGS



The Office of National Drug Policy has issued the following guidelines for the proper disposal of prescription drugs:

- Take the drugs out of their original containers.
- Mix the drugs with an undesirable substance, such as used coffee grounds or kitty litter and put them in a sealable container, like an empty can or bag.
- Throw the repackaged drugs in the trash. Do not flush drugs down the toilet unless the label or information specifies to do so.

IN-HOME MEDICAL WASTE



Medical wastes generated in the home may be infectious. When thrown in the trash, they pose a risk at curbside where bags are accessible before pickup. They also put waste haulers and waste facility operators at risk because they might come into contact with those materials. Potentially hazardous items are 'sharps' (needles, syringes and lancets), soiled bandages, disposable sheets, medical gloves, etc.

For the safe management of 'sharps' the Authority will provide residents with a complimentary "Safe Clip", a device that clips a needle off and automatically and safely stores it in an attached receptacle. They will hold up to 1,000 needles and can be mailed to you or picked up in our main office. Return them (free of charge) to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility when ready for disposal.

For other medical waste materials you might have, the Authority will provide homeowners (and other small quantity generators such as doctor's offices) with red medical buckets. The buckets are provided free of charge, and you may pick them up at the Authority's main office (1299 Harrisburg Pike). When they are ready for disposal, simply return them to the Household Hazardous Waste facility free of charge.

If you have a substantial quantity of medical waste to dispose of the best option may be to hire one of several companies that collect such materials in Lancaster County. Call the Authority office for more information.

GRASS CLIPPINGS



Most people now realize that the most environmentally beneficial option for grass clippings is to leave them on the lawn. As clippings decompose they act as a natural fertilizer; they filter down to the soil where they reduce water evaporation and encourage new growth.

The following are some helpful hints for good lawn care: Cut grass often enough so that clippings do not clump together on top of the lawn. Ideal lawn height is about 3 inches; the general rule of thumb is to remove no more than 1/3 of the grass blade when you cut. Invest in a mulching mower or blade, which chops up clippings.

If you still prefer to remove grass clippings, call your municipal office for potential recycling opportunities.

AUTHORITY FACILITIES

Transfer Station (Manheim Twp.)

Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Frey Farm Landfill (Manor Twp.)

Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Resource Recovery Facility (Conoy Twp.)

Monday-Friday 6:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 7:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Household Hazardous Waste Facility

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



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WHAT'S SO SPECIAL ABOUT SPECIAL WASTE?

A RESIDENT'S GUIDE



Printed on Recycled Paper



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

DEAR RESIDENT OF LANCASTER COUNTY,

The way your trash is managed has changed enormously over the last decade – and for the better! The **Lancaster County Solid Waste Management Authority** manages a system that employs *multiple* methods of trash disposal and processing – it's called **an integrated system**.

What does that mean? It means that Lancaster County's waste can be recycled, incinerated or landfilled. Most communities have only one or two of these options; typically waste in the United States is landfilled. In Lancaster, the integrated system has saved the County approximately 20 years of landfill capacity. How? Because Lancaster County has:



Recycling Programs for aluminum, glass, plastic, newspaper, computers, cell phones, batteries and more!



Resource Recovery Facility where Lancaster County's trash is incinerated and used to create clean renewable energy in the form of electricity



Frey Farm Landfill where waste goes that can't be incinerated (such as construction/demolition waste)

Just by reading this brochure, and following a few simple guidelines, you too can help the Authority meet its mission to manage waste and recyclable materials in an environmentally safe, reliable and efficient manner.

Many materials used in the home, garage and garden are considered *household hazardous waste* and they can cause serious safety and health problems in transportation or in disposal facilities. **Residents** of Lancaster County can dispose of these materials at the Authority's Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Facility **free of charge**. These materials include:

- **E-waste: televisions, computers and cell phones**
- **Transmission & brake fluids, antifreeze, used motor oil & batteries**
- **Fire extinguishers**
- **Household cleansers**
- **Floor & furniture polish**
- **Paint, stains, turpentine, thinners, rust inhibitors**
- **Pesticides, herbicides, insecticides**
- **Adhesives**
- **Kerosene, gasoline**
- **Old chemistry sets**
- **Photographic & pool chemicals**
- **Mercury-containing devices, such as fluorescent bulbs (including compact bulbs), ballasts & thermometers**



Do you have a question about other materials?

Call us at (717) 397-9968 or

Email info@lcswwa.org

HOURS

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.



THE FOLLOWING ARE **NOT ACCEPTED AT THE HHW FACILITY:**

- ✗ **Empty containers (put in the trash)**
- ✗ **External speakers, VCR and DVD players**
- ✗ **Materials from businesses, institutions, industries and agriculture, unless otherwise noted.**



E-CYCLING

The Household Hazardous Waste Facility accepts **televisions, cell phones and computers**. You can also bring

in cell phone accessories and computer-associated items such as monitors, printers and keyboards.

Each computer and TV monitor can contain 5-7 pounds of lead and other metals that are better recycled than put in a landfill. Cell phones are sent to a company for refurbishment and resale. Phones that can't be resold are recycled.

Lancaster County residents can bring their TVs, cell phones and computers **free of charge**; small businesses are assessed a \$5 fee for each TV or computer component (monitor or CPU) after the first ten components. **BUSINESSES – Please call the Authority for an appointment.**



WASTES THAT CONTAIN MERCURY



Fluorescent bulbs (including compact bulbs) and ballasts, thermostats and glass thermometers all contain mercury. Mercury is a toxic substance that the Authority wants to remove from the waste stream. If a resident brings any of the above mercury-containing items to the HHW facility, they will receive a free digital thermometer in exchange as a thank you.

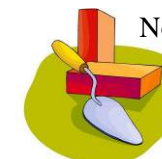
HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Household batteries - the kind used in toys, radios, watches, hearing aids, cameras, and so on, may be harmful to disposal facilities and should not be thrown away in your trash.



You can bring your household batteries to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility or you may use the orange plastic battery collection bags provided by your municipal office or the Authority. Place all household batteries in the collection bag and when the bag is **full**, put it **next to** your trash can. Your trash hauler will pick up the bag during regular trash pickup. **If you need a replacement bag**, call the Authority. Many municipal offices and waste haulers can also provide you with bags.

CONSTRUCTION / DEMOLITION WASTE



Normally, your hauler will allow you to place one container of construction/demolition waste with your regular trash each week. But, if you have home projects that generate more than one refuse-container of construction/demolition materials, try to make special arrangements with your trash hauler to pick up the waste.

If your hauler doesn't handle this type of waste, or if you have more than one container per week, you will have to deliver it to the Transfer Station or the Frey Farm Landfill. Please call the Authority for details.

ASBESTOS

Friable asbestos (the kind that crumbles) must be wetted and double-bagged and delivered to the Frey Farm Landfill. The rigid kind, found in flooring, siding and roofing materials, can be treated as construction/demolition material.