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## HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION AT OWEN J. ROBERTS MIDDLE SCHOOL

Chester County municipalities are hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event for Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, Bucks and Philadelphia residents on Saturday, May 20 at the Owen J. Roberts Middle School Campus, 981 Ridge Road, Pottstown, PA 19465. The collection site will be open at 9:00 AM and will close at 3:00 PM sharp. Residents are asked to take their clean corrugated boxes home to be recycled at the curb or at a drop-off site. **This event is not for businesses or contractors; they will be turned away.**

A maximum of 220 pounds or 25 gallons of Hazardous Products per household will be accepted. Hazardous products will have the following cautionary words on the label: poisonous, caustic, toxic, flammable, ignitable, corrosive, reactive, caution, warning, danger or hazardous. Many items, such as fertilizer or cleaning products, should just be used as they were designed to be used.

**The following items WILL NOT be accepted:** latex paint, used motor oil, tires, asbestos, explosives, gas cylinders, household alkaline batteries, PCBs, medical waste, unidentified waste, commercial and industrial waste, ammunition, computers, TVs, electrical appliances, and appliances containing Freon.

**LATEX PAINT IS NOT HAZARDOUS WASTE!** Residents should not bring latex paint to Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events. Solidify latex paint by either air drying small quantities or pouring the paint into a plastic trash bag with sawdust, clay-based kitty litter or rags and placing the bag and the opened can in the trash after the paint is solidified. **Oil-based paint only** should be brought to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event.

Interested residents can visit [www.chestercountyswa.org](http://www.chestercountyswa.org) and call their municipality or the Chester County Solid Waste Authority at 610-273-3771 \* 228 for information on how to properly handle unacceptable materials and for the other regional collection events scheduled throughout the year.

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