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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FREE Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Event Saturday, October 7, 2023 at Rock Island County Fairgrounds

Got oil-based paint? Old household cleaning supplies? Lawn and garden chemicals? Illinois residents with these and other types of Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) who are looking to clear them out of their basements and garages will have the opportunity to dispose of these materials at a free upcoming HHW collection event.

The event is 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, October 7 at the Rock Island County Fairgrounds, 4200 Archer Drive, East Moline. This opportunity for safe, legal disposal of HHW items is open to all Illinois residents.

Reserve your drop-off time by visiting: <https://signup.com/go/XFZzDDa> or scan the QR code with your mobile device.



Waste material accepted at the event are:

- Oil-based paints
- Household batteries
- Used motor oil
- Paint thinners
- Herbicides
- Lawn chemicals
- Insecticides
- Solvents
- Pesticides
- Antifreeze
- Old gasoline
- Hobby chemicals
- Pool chemicals
- Aerosol paints and pesticides
- Cleaning products
- Fluorescent lamp bulbs
- Mercury
- Drain cleaners
- Acids
- Corrosives
- Unwanted medications (excludes Controlled Substances)

Residents should note that latex paint WILL NOT be accepted at the event. Latex paint is not hazardous. It can be safely discarded in a regular trash receptacle once it is dried out. Removing the lid of the paint can and leaving it open to the air will allow it to dry over a period of days.

Other materials that will not be accepted at the event include:

- Agricultural wastes
- Propane Tanks
- Business/commercial sector wastes
- Smoke detectors
- Explosives and ammunition
- Farm machinery oil
- Fireworks
- Fire extinguishers
- Controlled substances
- Biohazard waste
- Lead acid batteries
- Institutional wastes

The event is a collaborative effort by the Rock Island County Waste Management Agency (RICWMA) and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA).

For more information, residents may visit the RICWMA website at www.ricwma.org or call at (309) 788-8925.

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