

## Program Overview and Guidelines

Buffalo County is again offering an Ag & Household Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep Collection Program to residents, businesses, and farms. Funds for collecting hazardous waste are provided by Buffalo County and grants from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade & Consumer Protection.

Residents and farmers may bring their materials to the Clean Sweep collection site at no cost.

### What Is Clean Sweep?

Clean Sweep is the common name for programs designed to safely dispose of hazardous waste products so they don't end up in landfills and the environment. There are three types of Clean Sweep programs: Residential; Agricultural; and Very Small Quantity Generator for businesses which generate and store smaller amounts. Clean Sweep programs are typically sponsored by either county or municipal governments.

Hazardous waste describes products that if not handled properly, can be harmful to people, animals, or the environment, particularly surface and ground waters.

Farmers and property owners may bring chemicals from active and abandoned farms for disposal at no cost. Agricultural businesses may be eligible for a subsidy to reduce the disposal fees.

**Proof of Buffalo County residency will be required.**

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Requests for reasonable accommodations for disabilities or limitations should be made prior to the date of the program or activity for which it is needed. Please do so as early as possible prior to the program or activity so that proper arrangements can be made. Requests are kept confidential.



**2021  
AG & HOUSEHOLD  
CLEAN SWEEP**

**Saturday  
June 12  
8:00am - 12:00pm**

**Buffalo County  
Highway Shop**

**S1672 State Hwy 37  
Alma, WI**

## ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

### PESTICIDES/HERBICIDES

- Pesticides
- Herbicides
- Fungicides
- Insecticides
- Rodenticides
- Other poisonous repellents and banned chemicals (DDT)

### PAINTS/SOLVENTS

- Varnishes
- Shellacs
- Turpentine
- Thinners
- Lead Based Paints
- Oil Based Paints
- Aerosols
- Wood Preservatives

### CLEANERS/CLEANSERS

- Oven Cleaners
- Spot Removers
- Polishes

### OTHER MATERIALS

- Contaminated Motor Oil
- Antifreeze
- Bulk Mercury
- Devices & Compounds Containing Mercury
- Agrichemical Sludge
- Veterinary Supplies
- Acids/Bases
- Mothballs

## AGRICULTURAL CLEAN SWEEP

Buffalo County residents may bring ag chemicals for free disposal. Participants are asked to keep individual materials in their original or separate containers. **DO NOT MIX chemicals!**

When transporting to the collection site, place materials in a cardboard box lined with a plastic bag. Materials must be brought in containers that can be left at the collection site.

## UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS

- **LATEX Paint is NOT acceptable**
- Sharps
- Explosive & Radioactive material (such as smoke detectors)
- Compressed gas tanks and high pressure cylinders
- Tires
- Infectious and biological waste
- Appliances
- Freon gasses
- Ammunition
- Used motor oil
- Batteries
- Empty Pesticide Containers
- Ag Plastics

## UNKNOWN CHEMICALS

Unknown chemicals will be accepted from active & abandoned farms in quantities up to 50 pounds or 5 gallons. For larger quantities please contact the Buffalo County Recycling department.

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## HOUSEHOLD CLEAN SWEEP

Buffalo County residents may bring household hazardous waste for free disposal. Wastes must be brought in their original containers. Please keep materials separate. **DO NOT MIX chemicals!**

To prepare your materials for transport, line a cardboard box with a plastic bag and place them in a box separated by cardboard.

## BUSINESSES

Businesses that generate Ag Chemicals, and Very Small Quantity Generators (VSQGs), are eligible for reduced or subsidized disposal cost.

**All businesses, industries and institutions must pre-register by June 7th.** Some limitations apply.

For more information, contact the Buffalo County Recycling department.

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