

# Recycling Authority March 2025

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## **Get Ready for HHW Collection Events**



The first of this year's RRRASOC Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events is on April 5 at the Wixom Department of Public Works - *that's right around the corner!* At these special events, residents of Farmington, Farmington Hills, Village of Milford, Milford Township, Novi, Southfield, South Lyon, Walled Lake, and Wixom have an opportunity to safely discard their hazardous items, e-waste, sensitive documents for shredding, batteries, and even clothing for donation.

Need to refresh your knowledge on what's accepted at HHW

Collection Events, or just want to familiarize yourself with a few collection and transportation tips to keep everything running smoothly? Check below for some helpful info!

### What's Accepted?



Consider the HHW that's taking up space in your home. Do you still use these items, or can they be disposed of? Check your bathroom, kitchen, garage, and workshop for bleach, cleaners, solvents, aerosol cans, auto oils and fluids, paints, glues, pesticides, and more.

### What Do I Need to Know?



The event starts at 9am. You're welcome to arrive early and wait in the line in your car, but please be aware that HHW will not be collected until the event starts. At that time, workers will unload the HHW from your vehicle to reduce unnecessary foot traffic.



All kinds of electronic waste and batteries are accepted at HHW Collection Events! Feel free to bring car batteries, rechargeable Li-ion batteries, button batteries, and alkaline batteries to the event. Additionally, any item that has a cord (plugs in to the wall) or motherboard is accepted as e-waste.



Some items are easy to miss! Don't forget to bring your propane tanks, oil-based paints, and pill-form medications to the event, as well as clothing to donate and documents for shredding!



While everyone at the event is working hard to keep things running smoothly, hiccups do happen on occasion. Please remember to be patient! To save time for both workers and attendees, place your items in boxes (such as shipping boxes) that you do not need back.



Lightbulbs and batteries need extra care when packing for transport. Try to keep them separate and secured to avoid shattered glass in your trunk. Additionally, please tape the end terminals of your batteries so that they do not touch one another; improper disposal could cause fires!

For more accepted items and event preparation tips, visit our What is HHW page or view our 2025 Household Hazardous Waste flyer.

## March is Green - In More Ways Than One!

We hope you had a great St. Patrick's Day this week! Looking for ways to keep the green going? Celebrate with even more green holidays in March!



#### March 21: World Planting Day

Plan out this year's garden, donate to a charitable organization that focuses on conserving our planet's resources, or just take some time to spread awareness about the importance of our trees, flowers, and other leafy plants on World Planting Day! Plants provide food, oxygen, and habitats for Earth's fauna (that includes us!). Without them, life would not be sustainable for us, so remember to take a moment to appreciate the beauty of the plants you see in and around your house!



#### March 22: Earth Hour

Earth Hour is held annually to encourage individuals, communities, and businesses to turn off nonessential lights for one hour as a symbol of commitment to our planet. On Saturday, March 22 at 8:30pm, help contribute to the cause by flipping the switch. With the lights off, try stargazing and listening to the nature in your backyard. Collectively, every small action can make a big impact on our planet!

# "Can I Recycle Aerosol Cans?"

### The answer is: *Only if they're empty!*

Empty aerosol cans are recyclable at curbside or RRRASOC dropoff locations. Remove plastic lids before recycling them. Aerosol cans that still have product in them should be taken to an HHW Collection Event where they can be disposed of safely. Check below for a **RRRASOC HHW Collection Event** near you!



### **2025 HHW Collection Event Dates**

During the following HHW Collection Events, all residents of RRRASOC member communities are welcome to bring household hazardous waste for an opportunity to safely discard their hazardous items and e-waste. *Simple Recycling* and paper shredding services will also be available<sup>\*</sup>.

April 5, 2025 □ Wixom Dept. of Public Works 2041 Charms Rd., Wixom 9:00am - 2:00pm

May 10, 2025 Oakland Community College 27055 Orchard Lake Rd., Farmington Hills

9:00am - 2:00pm

April 26, 2025 RRRASOC MRF - Truck Entrance 20875 Mapleridge Ave., Southfield 9:00am - 2:00pm

#### May 17, 2025 🗌

Milford Civic Center 1100 Atlantic St., Milford Enter from west off of Mont Eagle St. 9:00am - 2:00pm

July 12, 2025 Wixom Dept. of Public Works 2041 Charms Rd., Wixom 9:00am - 2:00pm

#### October 25, 2025 🗌

RRRASOC MRF - Truck Entrance 20875 Mapleridge Ave., Southfield 9:00am - 2:00pm October 4, 2025 Novi Dept. of Public Works 26300 Lee BeGole Dr., Novi 9:00am - 2:00pm

\*The T-shirt icon indicates an HHW Collection Event during which clothing, shoes, accessories, and small household items will be accepted by *Simple Recycling.* 

For more information about HHW events and how to prepare your items, please visit our **HHW page**.

### **HHW Drop-Off at ERG Environmental Services**

If you have HHW that you'd like to properly dispose of between collection events, you're in luck! Drop off your HHW without a fee at ERG Environmental Services during the following hours:

**Monday - Friday:** 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

HHW pickup from your home is also available for a fee of \$135 per stop plus \$0.75 per pound of material collected. This fee is paid directly by the resident to ERG Environmental Services.

To confirm drop-off times and/or to schedule a pickup, please contact:

ERG Environmental Services 13040 Merriman Road, Livonia (734) 437-9650



#### For more info, visit the ERG HHW Drop-Off page or our HHW page.

## **RRRASOC Recycling Directory**



Not sure what to do with stuff?

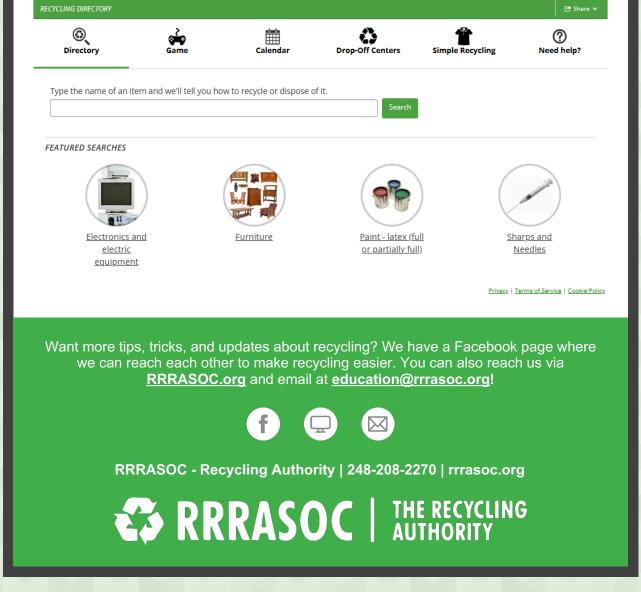
Visit **rrrasoc.org** and use the Recycling Directory search bar to type in keywords and get recycling, composting, reuse or disposal instructions.

The searchable, intuitive format of the Recycling Directory provides RRRASOC specific information.

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