CONWAY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

“PLEASE DISPOSE OF IT SAFELY”

For the Towns of:
Albany, Bartlett, Conway, Eaton, Jackson, Madison, and Hale’s Location

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st 2019
8:00 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M.
CONWAY TRANSFER STATION, 755 EAST CONWAY ROAD

10 GALLON LIMIT PER HOUSEHOLD

PLEASE NOTE:
LOCAL CONTRACTORS CANNOT TRANSPORT WASTE TO THIS EVENT. PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONTRACTOR PRIOR TO THE EVENT.
YOU MAY CALL 603-447-3811, EXT. 223 FOR CONTRACTOR INFORMATION

Why Should You be Concerned?1

The average household throws 15.5 pounds of hazardous materials into the trash each year. Household hazardous materials are disposed of in other ways, too. Certain products, such as used oil, are frequently poured down storm drains and many products end up going down the sink drain to septic systems or sewers. Flammable or reactive household chemicals can release toxic fumes or even explode if they are mixed together in the trash, causing fires or injuring workers. Dumping solvents into septic systems or landfills may contaminate ground and surface waters ruining drinking water and killing fish and wildlife. Pesticides can damage sewage treatment plants, and oil poured into storm drains can flow directly into streams and ponds. There are also certain health threats associated with some of these products. Products like lye can burn skin, eyes or respiratory passages. Exposure to some pesticides, paints and solvents can cause weakness, confusion, dizziness, irritability, headaches, nausea, sweating, tremors and convulsions. Other repeated chemical exposures can cause cancer or birth defects.
Children are also vulnerable to these products and accidental poisonings can occur if these products are not properly stored. In New Hampshire, the third and fourth leading causes of poisoning are personal care products and cleaning substances behind prescription and nonprescription drugs. These substances should be stored safely and, if not used, disposed of properly.

1 N.H. Department of Environmental Services, Environmental Fact Sheet HW-3, 1998

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