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TWO (2) COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTIONS IN APRIL

Chester County municipalities are hosting TWO (2) Household Hazardous Waste Collection Events for Chester County residents: Saturday, **April 8 at the CAT Pickering**, Center for Arts and Technology Campus (Technical College High School), 1580 Charlestown Road, Phoenixville, PA 19460 and **April 22 at the Octorara High School**, 226 Highland Road, Atglen, PA 19310. The collection sites will be open at 9:00 AM and will close at 3:00 PM sharp.

NO ELECTRONICS, TV'S, OR APPLIANCES WILL BE ACCEPTED. NO ITEMS CONTAINING FREON WILL BE ACCEPTED.

No more than 220 pounds or 25 gallons of hazardous product per household will be accepted. Hazardous cleaning and maintenance 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, propane, Helium or gas cylinders, household alkaline batteries, PCB's, 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. Paint hardener may also be purchased at hardware stores. **Oil-based paint only** should be brought to a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event.

Interested residents can visit www.chestercountyswa.org. All waste reduction, recycling and disposal questions may be answered by visiting that site. Residents may also 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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