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**Household Hazardous Waste Collection to be Held on May 15, 2021**

Preregistered Northampton, Florence, and Leeds residents may bring hazardous household waste (HHW) for safe disposal to the City of Northampton's annual HHW collection event on Saturday, May 15, 2021. Online pre-registration is required (no walk-ins) and space is limited. The event will be held in the rear parking lot of Smith Vocational High School, located at 80 Locust Street in Northampton.

A wide range of unwanted household products with labels indicating the need for special handling or disposal will be accepted, as well as rechargeable, "button" and other non-alkaline batteries, fluorescent bulbs, ballasts, and mercury-bearing thermostats and thermometers. For more information and a list of accepted items, visit [www.northamptonma.gov/1826](http://www.northamptonma.gov/1826).

*Important details:*

- The City will cover the disposal cost of up to 25 gallons or pounds of material for City households. Residential participants will be required to pay a disposal fee for any material above that amount. Disposal fees will also apply for fluorescent bulbs (\$1.00-2.00 each), antifreeze (\$4.00/gal), and ballasts (\$3.00 each).
- **Online preregistration is required by midnight on May 12, 2021** (via [northamptonma.gov/1826](http://northamptonma.gov/1826)). City residents without computer access may call 413-587-1570 to register. No walk-ins will be allowed.
- Registered participants will select a 30-minute appointment window. Additional instructions will be provided to registered participants.
- Northampton **small businesses and institutions may qualify to participate** on a fee-based basis. Call 413-587-1570 for details.
- COVID-19 safety precautions will be in effect.

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