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# The Mad River



## Resource Management Alliance



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For Residents of Duxbury, Fayston, Moretown, Northfield, Roxbury, Waitsfield, Warren, Waterbury

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

#### Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Paint Drop & Swap, October 6, 2012

**When?** Between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. on Saturday, October 6, 2012 the Mad River Resource Management Alliance, the Moretown Landfill, Inc. and the Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation are sponsoring a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day and Paint Drop and Swap.

**Where?** Harwood Union High School, Route 100, Duxbury.

**What?** Bring your household pesticides and up to ten additional gallons of household hazardous chemicals. Check your garage, basement, barn, bathroom, storage shed, or under the sink to see if you have things that require special disposal. We can accept fluorescent light bulbs at this event.

**Pesticides:** At this special day, as a result of a contract with the Vermont Agency of Agriculture Food and Markets Division, we have a program to help farmers, growers, and households to

dispose of canceled or unwanted pesticides at no cost. Funding for this program comes from the registration fees that pesticide manufacturers pay for their products to be sold in Vermont. Only pesticides are covered by this contract. Planning to bring a large quantity of pesticides to this event? Please pre-register and provide a list of the pesticide types and quantities. Call John Malter, Alliance Administrator, at 244-7373, for pre-registration information.

**Mercury Added Products:** Items such as thermometers, fluorescent light bulbs, thermostats, switches, medical and scientific instruments, mercury batteries and other mercury containing products will be accepted at this event. (See following article) We consider an 8 foot long fluorescent lamp the equivalent of one gallon of hazardous waste in calculating the 10 gallon limit for large generators of mercury containing lamps in the Alliance.

#### Thermostat \$5.00 Incentive Program

As a result of Expanded Mercury Management Legislation passed in Vermont in 2008, manufacturers of mercury containing thermostats had to develop a collection and financial incentive program to manage these thermostats. The Thermostat Recycling

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Corporation (TRC) has developed a system that will provide a coupon that must be filled out by the person who brings their mercury thermostat to the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event. The cover of the thermostat must be included with the product. You will get a receipt and a mail back coupon that will be redeemed for \$5.00 after the TRC receives the thermostat and the coupon.

### **Vermont Mercury Containing Lamp Collection and Recycling Program**

As a result of legislation passed in 2011 and effective July 1, 2012, individual residents can bring any number of compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs) and up to ten additional non CFL mercury containing lamps to our HHW collection at no charge. Large generators of various mercury containing bulbs are not covered by the fee exemption in this manufacturer's product stewardship program. In addition to the two annual HHW events, the Waterbury True Value Hardware Store will accept all CFLs and up to ten additional non CFL mercury containing lamps from individuals per visit to the store for recycling at no charge. John Halloran, owner of the Waterbury True Value Hardware Store says that customers should package the lamps with care when transporting them to the store but should not tape the lamps together. The lamps will be processed at an approved fluorescent bulb treatment

facility. Check the [earth911.com](http://earth911.com) web site to find additional locations to recycle mercury containing lamps in Vermont.

### **Mercury Thermometer Swap:**

To encourage the removal of mercury thermometers from households where they can pose a serious health hazard if they are broken, the Resource Management Alliance will exchange one digital thermometer per household for any mercury thermometers brought in for disposal. Kinney Drugs, Inc., and the Waterbury Pharmacy in Waterbury will accept mercury thermometers and button batteries at their store. You can not exchange your mercury thermometer for a digital thermometer at these stores.

### **Batteries**

The Waterbury True Value Hardware Store also participates in the Rechargeable Battery Recycling Corporation Take back Program. You can bring rechargeable batteries from cell phones, power tools and other electronic equipment that weigh less than 2 pounds to the stores at no charge.

**Latex Paint: Please do not bring latex paint to this event for disposal. Latex paint is not a hazardous waste.** If you have partially used cans of latex paint, open the lid (outdoors) and air dry the paint. You can then dispose of it with your household refuse. If there is still liquid in the can, mix enough kitty litter with the latex paint to solidify the paint, then dispose of it with your household

refuse. Remember, latex paint is not a hazardous waste. If you have full or nearly full containers of paint and they have not frozen, bring them for the Paint Drop and Swap held in conjunction with the hazardous waste collection day. If you have several partially full containers of oil based paint that can no longer be used, please try to consolidate them at home before the collection day event. We get charged on a per container basis for paints, so it will save money and resources if you do this consolidating.

**Crankcase Oil:** If you have used crankcase oil, don't bring it to this event. We have three used oil recycling tanks, located at the Moretown Landfill, Inc., the Earthwise Transfer Station and the Northfield Transfer Station. Bring the oil to these sites during business hours, for \$3.00 per gallon at the Waitsfield site, 50 cents per gallon at Moretown and no charge at the Northfield site, to get the crankcase oil recycled.

**Oil Filter Crusher:** The Alliance has an Oil Filter Crusher located at the Moretown Landfill, Inc.. Personnel from Moretown Landfill, Inc. are responsible for managing any oil filters that are brought to the site for crushing. The oil that is drained from the crushed filters is collected and deposited in the used oil collection tank located at the Moretown Landfill, Inc.. Bring your oil filters to the landfill office. There is a 75¢ per filter charge for any filters that are crushed. The filter crusher is another recycling component available to the residents of the Alliance communities.

**Who:** Residents and small businesses from the Alliance can bring all their

pesticides and up to ten additional gallons for free. If you are from outside the Alliance or have more than ten gallons (or equivalent) of material to dispose of (except for pesticides and CFLs) there will be a charge for processing.

**Conditionally exempt small quantity generators** of hazardous waste from within the Alliance **must pre-register** in order to participate. We need to estimate the types and quantities of waste that you plan to take to the event. Please contact Alliance Administrator John Malter (244-7373) to pre-register by October 4, 2012.

#### **Not Allowed?**

Some other wastes can't be accepted: radioactive wastes such as some smoke detectors (return them to the retailer or manufacturer), propane tanks should be returned to the retailer, infectious wastes (contact your doctor's office or hospital for safe disposal); explosives such as ammunition and flares, (contact the state police for instructions in proper handling and disposal).

#### **What's In It For You?**

The Paint Drop & Swap gives everyone a chance to pick up paints to use for primer coats or for a painting project. Don't dump perfectly good excess paints, bring them to the Drop & Swap. This is a much better way to deal with this material. You'll also get a free paint stick and remember the disposal of the first 10 gallons and all pesticides and

CFLs are free for Alliance residents.

#### **Plan Ahead:**

Try to identify any products you want to bring to the event. Be sure that the containers are closed and not leaking. This will save you the fun of cleaning up your vehicle after an unplanned spill of *stuff*. We plan to continue holding two hazardous waste collection day events annually. The Spring event will be held on the second Saturday in May, which is the Saturday after Green Up Day and the Fall event will be held on the first Saturday in October.

#### **Vermont Electronic Waste Law**

Vermont's new e-waste law banned the disposal of electronic waste starting January 1, 2011 and provides convenient collection of computers, monitors, printers, computer peripherals and televisions at no charge. Eligible participants are Vermont households, charities, school districts and small businesses with 10 or fewer employees. There are currently over 80 locations around Vermont to take this material including the Moretown Landfill E-Waste Site, Waitsfield Earthwise Transfer Station and the Northfield Transfer Station. As of July 1, 2012 any entity can bring up to seven computers, printers, monitors or televisions to these sites daily at no charge. Electronic devices contain toxic materials (including lead, mercury and chromium) that should be managed responsibly as well as

precious metals (such as gold).

For further information contact [www.vtecycles.org](http://www.vtecycles.org).

#### **Compost Bins**

If you want to do some composting in your backyard, we still have a few compost bins available from our spring truckload sale at \$45 and kitchen collectors for \$11. Contact John Malter if you are interested in purchasing a bin. They make great birthday, anniversary and holiday gifts!

#### **Tire Clean Up Following Hurricane Irene**

The clean up following the flooding associated with Hurricane Irene has continued throughout the year here in the communities of the MRRMA. Over 50 tons of tires has been collected this spring and summer by the many wonderful volunteers that have taken the time to help restore our environment.

All the efforts by our neighbors and strangers as well has meant so much to so many people and it just confirms that we live in a very special place.

#### **Web Site**

Check out [madriverrma.org](http://madriverrma.org) which is the web presence for the Mad River Resource Management Alliance.

RECYCLABLES & OTHER MATERIALS / WHAT THEY ARE / WHERE THEY CAN GO				
☉	Earthwise Transfer Station Waitsfield	RTR Waterbury	Moretown Landfill, Inc. Moretown	Northfield Transfer Station
<b>Hours of Operation</b>	8 a.m.-3 p.m./ Mon, Wed, Fri. 8 a.m. -1 p.m./ Sat	7am -4pm /Tue.-Fri 7am-3 pm Redemption Center 8 am-3 pm/ Sat 8am-2pm Redemption Center	7 am - 3:30 pm / Mon-Fri 8 am - 12 pm / Saturday	8 am-12 pm/ Wednesday 8 am-3 pm / Saturday
<b>Charges</b>	\$4.50/30 gal bag trash; \$2.85/13 gal. bag trash; \$4.25/30 gal bag for Sr's, 2 bag per week/household; Minimum fee \$1.00 for single stream recycling; \$1.25/30 ga. Container of single stream recycling; \$6/cu. yd. Cardboard; crankcase oil 3.00¢/gal, no limit; \$6.00/car tire/off rim; \$12.00/ car tire on rim; \$47/cu. yd construction debris but shingles and sheet rock \$79/cu. yd; \$10.00 for appliances. E-waste collection site-computer systems and peripherals, monitors, printers, televisions-no charge for residents, non-profits, small businesses and school districts	\$4.00/30 gal bag of trash; \$5.00/50 gal. bag; \$3.00/30 gal bag or less of recyclables; \$45/cu. yd construction debris; \$45/cu. yd sheet rock; No liquids, no propane cylinders, no asbestos. \$10 for small appliances, \$15 for large appliances; \$10 for CPU, \$18 for a monitor, \$27 for a complete computer system, car tire: \$4.50-13"-16"; \$6.50-16.5"-24"; \$8.00 with rim; \$75.00>24.5" tire; car batteries-\$5.00 also a beverage container redemption center	\$4.00/30 gal bag of trash; recycling at no charge for Alliance residents; if no trash then a 50¢/30 gallon bag of recyclables is charged, used crankcase oil 50¢/gal, 5 gal per person per visit, used oil filters, 75¢ each. \$7.00/car tire; No tarp, no entry for trucks with more than 4 bags on board. If going over the scale, must have a safety vest. E-waste collection site-computer systems and peripherals, monitors, printers, televisions-no charge for residents, non-profits, small businesses and school districts;	\$3.00/15 gal/12.5# bag of trash \$4.00/30 gal/25# bag trash; \$6.00 per bag over 25 #; source separated recycling free, commingled \$1.50 per 15 gal. bag ; Used crankcase oil free. Car tires, 13"-16"(maximum of 20 per day)\$2.50 with or without rims; Truck tires, 16.5"-24"\$5.50 off rims, with rims \$7.50;Tires>24.5" \$75.00. E-waste collection site-computer systems and peripherals, monitors, printers, televisions-no charge for residents, non-profits, small businesses and school districts
<b>Phone</b>	496-6394	244-7689	244-1100	775-7722
<b>Cardboard, including corrugated and boxboard</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Glass Containers</b>	All colors, no bottle caps	All Colors	All colors, no bottle caps	All Colors
<b>Newsprint</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Office Paper including white, colored and mixed office paper</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Metal food and beverage containers</b>	Yes	Yes, No aluminum foil or food trays.	Yes	Yes
<b>Gable-top milk and juice cartons and drink boxes</b>	No	No	No	No
<b>Plastic containers (#1)through (#7) except no plastic bags(#4) or foam polystyrene(#6)</b>	Yes, no oil, dry gas or antifreeze containers	Yes	Yes, no oil or dry gas.	Yes
<b>White goods such as refrigerators, freezers, washers and dryers</b>	Yes, Freon containing products i.e. freezers and refrigerators add \$40.00, Commercial coolers-\$150.00	Yes, Freon containing products i.e. freezers and refrigerators add \$20.00, commercial coolers-\$80.00	Yes, Freon containing products, i.e. freezers, dehumidifiers, refrigerators, \$20.00, Commercial coolers-\$150.00.	Yes, Freon containing products, i.e. freezers, refrigerators, \$15.00, Commercial coolers-\$75.00
<b>Tires</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Construction and demolition debris</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Used crankcase oil</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
<b>Household refuse</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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