

County Clean Sweep
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Clean Sweep, Collection of Hazardous Waste, is May 3 and 4

The UW-Extension of Fond du Lac County will hold a Clean Sweep collection of hazardous chemical waste on Friday and Saturday, May 3 and 4. This collection is for household and agricultural chemical waste. It is open to all Fond du Lac County residents, farms, school districts, and businesses. The fee for residents and farmers is \$5 per vehicle (cash only).

Collections are staggered over two days in three locations, and residents may choose the time and location most convenient for them. On Friday, May 3, chemical waste is collected in **Brandon** from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Highway Garage on Hwy. 49. Later that day, a collection occurs in **Campbellsport** from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Public Works Building. On Saturday, May 4, the County Fairgrounds Expo Building in **Fond du Lac** is a collection site from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. The Fairgrounds are at Martin Road and Hwy 45/Fond du Lac Avenue.

At last year's event, participants disposed of more than four tons of potentially dangerous chemical waste including pesticides; solvents and craft supplies; household cleaners; lead acid batteries; and mercury.

A list of items that will be accepted is at the UW-Extension Web site, <http://fonddulac.uwex.edu/CleanSweep>. The site also explains how to dispose of other items that will not be accepted.

Farms, businesses, and school districts must pre-register because of the potential for large quantities. Businesses and school districts will receive a no-obligation cost estimate from Veolia, the program contractor, and a discount on vehicle fees.

Clean Sweep is funded by a grant from the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection and Fond du Lac County. Residents who need ADA accommodations are encouraged to contact the UW-Extension office before the event. To ask questions or pre-register, call the Fond du Lac County UW-Extension office at (920) 929-3171 or e-mail a program assistant at Tina.Engelhardt@ces.uwex.edu.

Clean Sweep accepts a variety of old and expired chemicals.

A Veolia employee sorts chemical waste at Clean Sweep (2012).