Empty Pesticide Container Collection and Recycling

Mini Metro Collection Schedule

Recycling of empty pesticide containers will be conducted at each of the locations during the hours indicated. To participate bring clean, rinsed pesticide container to any of the sites to meet the recycling truck. Empty containers will not be accepted at the place of business prior to or after the designated times.

PRE-SEASON COLLECTION

June 28, Wednesday 8:00 AM - Noon Hennepin Co Transportation Dept 1600 Prairie Drive (Hwy 55 & Co Rd 118) Medina

> Aug 30, Wednesday 9:00 - 10:00 AM Washington County Fairgrounds Lake Elmo

11:00 - 1:00 PM Turf Supply 2797 Eagendale Blvd Eagan

2:00 - 3:00 PM United Horticulture Supply 4841 Xerxes Ave. N Brooklyn Center

> Aug 31, Thursday 9:00 - 10:00 AM Cal's Market, 6403 Egan Dr. Savage

11:00 - 1:00 PM JR Johnson Supply, 2582 Long Lake Rd Roseville

Sept 6, Wednesday 9:00 - 10:00 AM Washington County Fairgrounds Lake Elmo

11:00 - 1:00 PM North Star Turf, 3080 Centerville Rd Little Canada

Sept 7, Thursday 9:00 - 10:00 AM Cal's Market, 6403 Eagen Dr. Savage

11:00 - 1:00 PM United Horticulture Supply, 4841 Xerxes Ave N Brooklyn Center

END OF SEASON COLLECTION

Sept 27, Wednesday 9:00 - 11:00 AM United Horticulture Supply, 4841 Xerxes Ave N Brooklyn Center

What's accepted for Recycling:

Only #2 HDPE rigid plastic containers (identification on bottom of container)
No caps
Remove label sleeve and booklet
No containers larger than 55 gallon.

Empty Pesticide Container - Do's and Don'ts

Do recycle your empty pesticide containers. Recycling is an environmental sound option for container disposal.

Do rinse pesticide containers as soon as they are emptied. If containers are allowed to site after being emptied, the product will dry inside. It is very difficult to rinse dried product out of a container.

Do rinse containers to remove all the product you paid for out of the container and onto the intended crop. Product left in the container can also affect the performance of the crop protection chemical.

Don't recycle empty pesticide containers through the local recycling center or curbside recycling. Pesticides are a toxic product that can permeate the plastic container. The plastic should not be mixed with other recyclable materials. The empty pesticide container collection program determines the end market of the recycled plastic to ensure the end product does not come in contact with humans or animals.

Don't burn empty pesticide containers. An open fire does not burn hot enough to destroy pesticides. An open fire will cause pesticide residue to be disbursed into the air. Also, burning of pesticide containers is an illegal act in Minnesota.

For more information

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