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## **County waste department to provide free household hazardous waste collection event for the Blythe area on Saturday**

The Riverside County Department of Waste Resources will host a free household hazardous-waste collection event on Saturday, Dec 14, at the County Administration Center in Blythe. The collection is open to all Riverside County residents.

The department provides an opportunity for Riverside County residents to keep hazardous waste out of the county landfills and ensure it is properly managed. The event will accept residentially generated household hazardous waste from Riverside County residents only. Waste from businesses or nonprofits will not be accepted. Typical waste includes used motor oil, paint, antifreeze, household and automotive batteries, pesticides, cleaning products,

sharps (that is, needles/syringes or lancets), unused medication (except controlled substances), fluorescent lamps, and electronic waste such as televisions, computers, VCRs and telephones. Limit the amount of waste transported to no more than 15 gallons, or 125 pounds maximum per vehicle. Individual containers should be no larger than five gallons nor weigh more than 50 pounds.

The collection will not accept explosives, radioactive material, ammunition, asbestos, compressed-gas cylinders over 40 pounds, or infectious or medical waste other than sharps.

The event is subject to cancellation during inclement weather or for other hazardous conditions as determined by the county. The event is scheduled to run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the County Administration Center at 260 N. Broadway St. in Blythe. For more information, contact the Riverside County Department of Waste Resources at (951) 486-3200 or (800) 304-2226, or <http://www.rcwaste.org/hhw>.

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