

Household Hazardous Materials Hours:

***Residential Household users drop off hours:**
Tuesday: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM
Thursday: Noon – 4:00 PM
1st and 3rd Saturdays: 9:00 AM – Noon

large containers (more than 10 gal) need to schedule an appointment for materials drop off. Call 608-785-9999 to schedule an appointment.

Small Business and Organization customers by appointment only. Call 608-785-9999 for appointment.

*Residential Household users with large loads of hazardous waste (greater than 250 lbs) or with

Safe Transportation of Household Hazardous Materials (HHM)

- If possible, bring items in their original containers, or clearly mark contents on container. If you do not know what is in the container, tell the attendant.
- Tighten all covers and lids.
- **NEVER MIX CHEMICALS!** They may be fine separately, but together they could produce toxic fumes, heat, cause a fire or explosion.
- If container is leaking, pack it separately in a leak-proof container (i.e. pail or tub), with absorbent material in the bottom.
- To ensure passenger safety, materials should not be loaded into the passenger compartment of a vehicle.
- To avoid spills, put waste containers, upright, in a sturdy container and place them securely in the trunk or back of a truck or van.
- Do not put different types of materials into a plastic bag.
- Read and follow all directions when you arrive at the Household Hazardous Materials Facility.
- If you have questions about the best way to transport a material call, **608-785-9999** before you visit.

Garage & Workshop			
Acetone	H	Shellac	H
Artist's paint & media	H	Stain	H
Antifreeze	H	Transmission fluid	H
Auto body repair products	H	Varnish	H
Automobile oil	H	Windshield Washer Solution	H
Battery acid	H	Wood preservative	H
Brake fluid	H		
Car wax, solvent-based	H	Kitchen/Bathroom	
Contact cement	H	Alcohol-based lotions (perfume, aftershave)	H
Driveway sealer	H	Bleach	H
Empty Containers	T	Cleaners, ammonia-based	H
Fiberglass epoxy	H	Cleaners, solvent-based	H
Fluorescent light bulbs	H	Cosmetics	T
Gasoline/oil mixtures	H	Disinfectants	H
Gasoline & other fuels	H	Drain cleaner	H
Glue, solvent-based	H	Floor care products	H
Glue, water-based	T	Hair remover	H
Herbicides	H	Nail polish	H
Joint compound	H	Nail polish remover	H
Kerosene	H	Oven cleaner	H
Lawn & Garden Chemicals	H	Skin cream, lotion	T
Lighter fluid	H	Thermometers (mercury)	H
Non-automotive oils	H	Toilet bowl cleaner	H
Oil filters	H	Tub & tile cleaner	H
Paint, empty cans	T	Window cleaner	H
Paint, latex	H		
Paint, oil-based	H	Home & Garden	
Paint thinner	H	Aerosol cans, full	H
Paint stripper	H	Aerosol cans, empty	T
Parts cleaner	H	Batteries, alkaline	T
Photographic chemicals	H	Batteries, button	H
Propane cylinders	H	Batteries, rechargeable	H
Rust remover	H	Compact fluorescent bulbs	H

Unacceptable Wastes

Compressed gas cylinders	U
Radioactive materials	U
Shock- or heat-sensitive materials (peroxide, picric acid)	U
Ammunition	U
Explosives, Fireworks	U

KEY	
H	Take to HHM
T	Place in curbside trash/recycling collection
U	Unacceptable waste

E-Waste Recycling

Certain Electronics are **BANNED** from disposal in Wisconsin landfills or incinerators and **MUST** be recycled.

E-Waste and Appliances accepted at the Household Hazardous Materials Facility:

- TVs- (Fee Applies - see website for current pricing information)
- Any devices that plug into a TV (VCR, DVD player, gaming consoles, cable TV receiver, etc.)
- Desktop computers, laptops and tablets
- Computer accessories that plug into a computer (keyboards, mice, scanners, printers, external hard drives, circuit boards etc.)
- Computer monitors
- Fax machines, telephones, copiers, CB and ham radios
- Stereo receivers, radios and boomboxes
- iPods, cell phones and digital cameras
- Microwaves
- Small Freon appliances including dorm size refrigerators, window ac units, dehumidifiers (Fee Applies -see website for current pricing)

TVs and other electronics that have been salvaged or disassembled will be charged \$0.25 per pound.

For more information about pricing and acceptable materials call 608-785-9999 or visit:

<http://lacrossecounty.org/solidwaste/hhm.asp>

Choose To Re-Use

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Compost, Waste to Energy and only landfill as a last resort. This is the waste hierarchy and this is what the Solid Waste Department encourages all of us to do. The Department works hard to keep materials out of the landfill by diverting such wastes as asphalt roofing shingles, clean wood waste, electronics, mattresses and also certain household hazardous wastes. You can find good useable materials like paints, stains, car care products and garden supplies in the **Reuse Room** at the main office when you come to the landfill. In 2014 over 40,000 lbs. were recycled out of the **Reuse Room** by citizens to be properly used in their homes. Now with our new neighbor the Habitat ReStore you have even more opportunity to donate materials and reduce your cost of disposal. So before you throw something in the trash see if you can follow the hierarchy. You never know, your trash might be someone else's treasure.

Does Your Business or Organization Generate Hazardous Waste?

Many businesses and organizations, including rental properties, contractors, service stations, and shops, generate small amounts of hazardous wastes and are looking for an effective and cost-efficient means of disposing of such items.

Steps for small businesses and organizations:

1. Prequalification is required. Only businesses and organizations that qualify as VERY SMALL QUANTITY GENERATORS (VSQG) can use the facility. Call 785-9999 or go to the program website at: <http://www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/SolidWaste/hhm/business.asp> to get qualification information, pricing and forms.
2. Fill out and return the "VERY SMALL QUANTITY GENERATORS (VSQG) CERTIFICATION FORM"
3. Call 785-9999 to schedule an appointment to drop off materials. Hours available for small business and organization appointments are Mondays from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm and Thursdays from 8:00 am – 11:30 am. **Businesses and Organizations will not be allowed to drop off waste without an appointment.**



Please Keep In Safe Place. Do Not Discard.

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- How to Prepare Materials for Recycling
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Please like us on Facebook at **La Crosse County Government - Solid Waste, Landfill, HHM** for information, updates, and opportunities at the landfill. We look forward to connecting with you!

Green Tier

The La Crosse County Solid Waste Department became Wisconsin's first publicly owned solid waste disposal system to join the State's Green Tier program.

This program encourages participants to voluntarily collaborate with the state Department of Natural Resources to go beyond compliance with regulations and to achieve superior environmental performance.

Participation in Green Tier assures that your waste will be managed properly and in an environmentally sound manner.

For more information visit La Crosse County Solid Waste Department's Green Tier Web page at:

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/GreenTier/Participants/LaCrossCountySWD.html>

For missed pick ups of trash or recycling, please call your waste hauler or municipality.

Landfill Hours of Operation

Summer Hours (April – October)
 Monday – Friday: 6:30 AM – 4:30 PM
 1st and 3rd Saturday: 9:00 AM – Noon

Winter Hours (November – March)
 Monday – Friday: 7:00 AM – 4:00 PM

CLOSED ON SATURDAYS DURING WINTER HOURS

For special hours see our website at www.lacrossecounty.org/solidwaste

Landfill Fees

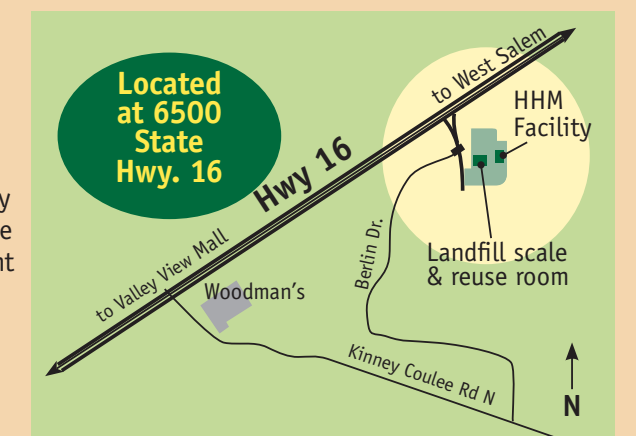
These fees apply to garbage, large items, and demolition/construction waste. Other materials, such as brush, yard waste or tires, have different fees. See our website at www.lacrossecounty.org/solidwaste for a complete list of fees*.

- Car - \$10
- SUV/Passenger Van - \$15
- Pick-up - \$25
- Trailers, Cargo Vans, UHAULS (And similar vehicles), Businesses (Including Landlords) - \$15 service fee + \$62/ton by weight
- Mattresses and Box Springs-\$15

*Fees subject to change without notice.

County Landfill Information

La Crosse County's public drop-off site at 6500 Highway 16 is available for use by homeowners, renters, and businesses located around the region. There are numbered and labeled containers so that you can separate your waste appropriately. Customers using the flat-rate system must pay before unloading. After unloading the customer may exit the landfill without checking out. Customers using the by-weight system must check in at the scale and then reweigh after unloading. For unloading materials you must provide your own labor.



No Salvaging. Once waste is in the container, it cannot be safely removed.

Only people authorized by site attendants may use the facility. Security cameras are in use, and violators will be referred to law enforcement.

What Can Be Dropped Off?

Large Items: Furniture and furnishings including upholstered items, general household waste, toys, bikes, grills, lawnmowers (without gas and oil), mattresses, stoves, hot water heaters, washers, dryers, small appliances, etc.

Demolition/Construction Debris: WWood, drywall, doors, windows, sinks, toilets, tubs, roofing, bricks, carpets, tile, and flooring.

Garbage: Normal household waste like bagged waste, paper, and food waste.

Other: Yard waste/grass clippings, shingles, brush, and animal carcasses.

Tires: Accepted at a higher fee.

Freon Items (\$20 fee): Refrigerators, dehumidifiers, air conditioners.

What Cannot Be Dropped Off?

The landfill public drop off area does not accept Household Hazardous materials. Hazardous waste can be dropped off at our Household Hazardous Waste facility (See information on back page).

Please note: There is a 3% convenience fee (minimum \$2 per transaction) for the use of credit or debit cards.

If you have questions, call 785-9572 or visit the Solid Waste Department Web site: www.lacrossecounty.org/solidwaste

Recycler 2016 Municipality Contacts:

City of La Crosse 608-789-7508 www.cityoflacrosse.org	Town of Greenfield 608-787-0400 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfGreenfield
City of Onalaska 608-781-9500 www.cityofonalaska.com	Town of Hamilton 608-786-0989 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfHamilton
Town of Bangor 608-486-4543 townofbangortownship@gmail.com	Town of Holland 608-526-3354 www.townofhollandwi.org
Village of Bangor 608-486-4084 www.villageofbangor.com	Village of Holmen 608-526-4336 www.holmenwi.com
Town of Burns 608-486-4272 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfBurns	Town of Medary 608-781-2275 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfMedary
Town of Campbell 608-783-0050 www.townofcampbell.com	Town of Onalaska 608-783-4958 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/townofonalaska
Town of Farmington 608-857-3139 www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfFarmington	Town of Shelby 608-788-1032 www.townofshelby.com
	Village of West Salem 608-786-1858 www.westsalemwi.com

Location

W3765 County Road DE (on the east side of Mindoro next to the Town highway shop).

Days & Hours (also see calendar opposite)

Saturdays: 8 a.m. to noon
Tuesdays: 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
If a holiday lands on a Tuesday the center will be open the following Wednesday; if a holiday lands on a Saturday (including the opening of deer gun season), the center will be open on the Friday before the holiday, from 1PM to 5PM.

Solid Waste (Garbage) Fees and Instructions

The Town of Farmington operates this center on user fees; the goal is to be self-supporting—not to rely on property taxes.

- Regular garbage:** \$1.00 per bag. Bags should be clear or transparent; they can be found at most retailers. A bag is defined as 30 gallons in size and weighing no more than 30 pounds. Larger or heavier bags are subject to a higher fee. **Place bags in the compactor.**
NO private slaughter or hunting wastes. Dispose of these wastes at the county landfill (see back page of this brochure).

Yard Waste

The Town Board is anticipating taking limited amounts and types of yard waste this coming growing season. This will be limited to brush and tree limbs no larger than 6 inches in diameter, and no longer than 4 feet. Watch for a sign at the recycling center for when we be taking yard waste.

Recycling Fees and Instructions

- FREE recycling of some items is offered:** Newspapers, plastics marked #1 through #7, glass jars and bottles, and steel and aluminum cans are accepted. See "How to Prepare Recyclables" opposite. Scrap metal items of a reasonable size are also accepted. Glass and steel and aluminum cans can be commingled and placed in the dumpster. Place paper (including junk mail and magazines) and cardboard (including cereal boxes) in the Dumpster. Place demolition and scrap metal in their respective bins.
- Used tires:** Fees ranges from \$3.00 to \$20.00 each, depending on size. Car tires mounted on rims are an additional \$3.00 each.
- Other materials:** The Town accepts private demolition materials, furniture, carpeting, silo bags cut into 10-foot sections, bathroom fixtures, televisions, computers, stoves, refrigerators, and other household appliances (white goods). Fees are assessed for these items.
- Special note on appliances:** See green box at right regarding appliance recycling.
- Special note on electronic devices:** See outside of brochure for information on recycling these devices at La Crosse County's Household Hazardous Materials site or call 785-9999 for more information.

NO regular light bulbs, dishes, glasses, mirrors, ceramics, bottle caps, jar covers, foil packaging, pizza, or paper beverage containers. Put these in with your regular garbage. **NO ashes from wood furnaces or burn barrels.** Dispose of them on your property. See information on open burning in the next column.

Recycling Building

In the recycling building you will find containers for :

Paper, which includes newspaper, books, magazines, telephone books, printer paper, copier paper and junk mail. Shiny inserts are ok too. You can bundle or place in paper bags, but avoid plastic bags.

Cardboard should be clean and broken down to save space. Do not include packing peanuts or bubble film or air pillows. Pizza boxes are not recyclable and are to be thrown in the compactor. Cereal boxes are placed in with the cardboard. Coated cardboard is not recyclable.

Comingle is for glass jars and bottles, steel cans including empty aerosol cans, and aluminum cans and plastics 1 to 7. The following are NOT recyclable and go in the compactor: standard light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or auto glass, microwave trays, porcelain or ceramics.

Metal any metal can be placed in this bin.

The above 4 groups are commodities like oil and corn and are sold to help cover our costs. As markets change, what we can recycle and how we recycle are subject to change. We ask for your cooperation in keeping out materials that do not belong in these containers.

Land Fill includes furniture, mattresses, demolition material. There are fees assessed for this bin, based upon estimated weight.

Again traffic pattern is counter clockwise around the compactor. Please do not drive in the opposite direction, as staff and users are not expecting traffic from the opposite direction.

Open Burning

A permit for open burning in the Town of Farmington can be obtained from fire marshal **Jean Van Riper, W3914 County Road D, Mindoro, next to the fire station, for a fee of \$1. Only dry leaves, dry plant material, and dry brush may be burned, and you must have a permit in hand when burning.** Permits may be cancelled or prohibited by the Fire Chief or Town Chairman if the risk of wildfire is significant.

About Agricultural Plastics, Including Silo Bags

Material Description

The term "agricultural plastics" (or "ag plastics") covers a wide variety of products and plastic types. These include:

- Low density polyethylene (LDPE)** and **low linear density polyethylene (LLDPE)** film used to make silage and haylage bags, bunker silo covers, greenhouse covers, bale wrap, mulch film, and other flexible products.
- High density polyethylene (HDPE),** a more rigid plastic used in pesticide containers and nursery pots.
- Polystyrene (PS),** another rigid plastic used in nursery containers and flats.
- Polypropylene (PP),** used in nursery pots, row covers and woven tarps.

Plastic products are used for an increasing number of purposes in agriculture and at nurseries and greenhouses because of their durability, flexibility and low costs. Dairy industry experts estimate that approximately 15 to 20 pounds of all types of ag plastics a year are used per cow. A 300-head dairy farm using plastic silage bags may produce as much as 6,000 pounds a year of waste plastic.

Environmental Impacts

Burning plastic (which is illegal in Wisconsin) can release toxic and potentially cancer-causing chemicals into the air, where they can be inhaled by humans and animals and deposited in soil and surface water. Residue from burning contaminates the soil and groundwater and can enter the human food chain through crops and livestock. In addition, certain chemicals released by burning can accumulate in the fats of animals and then in humans as we consume meat, fish, and dairy products. Because agricultural burning often occurs near food sources, it is particularly important to reduce this health hazard to food production.

Some of the most dangerous chemicals created and released during burning some types of plastic are **dioxins** and **furans,** many of which are highly toxic. **Dioxins,** which are byproducts formed when chlorine-containing products are burned, tend to adhere to the waxy surface of leaves and then enter the food chain. Even if certain types of plastic (such as polyethylene or polypropylene) do not contain chlorine, other materials burned with the plastic may be a chlorine source.

Appliance Disposal

\$20.00 per appliance

Major appliances are defined as:

- Refrigerators
- Stoves
- Ovens
- Freezers
- Dishwashers
- Clothes washers and dryers
- Dehumidifiers
- Air conditioners
- Furnaces
- Boilers
- Water heaters
- Microwaves
- Computers

Pay at site (\$20 per item). Appliances may also be taken to:

Computers and other electronic devices may also be taken to La Crosse County's Household Hazardous Materials site—see outside of this brochure.



Drop-Off Dates for Solid Waste & Recycling Center

If you have questions or concerns, please call

608-857-3095

JANUARY 2016							FEBRUARY 2016							MARCH 2016							APRIL 2016						
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Center dates and hours:
Tuesdays 1 to 5 p.m.
Saturdays 8 a.m. to noon

Holidays

How to Prepare Recyclables

GLASS: Jars and bottles only!
• **NO** light bulbs, dishes, glassware, window or auto glass, mirrors, microwave trays, porcelain or ceramics.
• Remove metal rings and lids and rinse clean.

STEEL CANS: Empty food, paint, aerosol cans only!
• **NO** chemicals, scrap metal, or vehicle parts.
• Ends of cans can stay attached. Flattening of food cans is appreciated.

ALUMINUM: Cans only!
• **NO** food or pie plates
• Drain liquid and rinse cans clean. Flattening is appreciated.

PAPER & CARDBOARD

- Paper** includes newsprint, magazines, catalogs, telephone books, printer paper, copier paper and junk mail.
- Newspapers:** Shiny inserts are OK. You may bundle and tie with string or twine or place in a paper bag.
- Cardboard:** Clean cardboard boxes (including cereal boxes) should be broken down and placed in the Dumpster. Coated or dirty cardboard should be bagged and placed in the trash compactor.
- Please keep paper and cardboard as dry as possible before recycling!

PLASTIC: #1 through #7

- NO** plastic bags, ice cream buckets, or Styrofoam.
- We take #1-#7 plastics that are imprinted with the recycling number—mostly **bottles with screw caps and narrow necks.** See examples below and explanation at right.
- Rinse clean; discard caps.

How do I know whether it's a bottle—and what do I do with plastic containers that aren't bottles?

- To be a **bottle,** the container's mouth must be smaller than the sides.
- Caps of plastic bottles and plastic containers that aren't bottles should be put in the regular trash.
- All items must be marked with a recycling number.

#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6	#7
drink bottles vegetable oil bottles mouthwash bottles	milk & bleach jugs detergent bottles butter tubs	shampoo bottles window cleaner bottles	clear plastic clamshell food containers squeezeable bottles	ketchup bottles syrup bottles medicine bottles	CD cases	3- and 5-gallon water containers

Please Note: The Town of Farmington contracts with Xcel Energy to burn our waste for energy, therefore the Town recycles ONLY the items listed in this brochure. Items such as plastic bags and nonrecyclable containers should be placed in the regular trash.

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Other chemicals released while burning plastics include **benzo(a)pyrene (BAP)** and other **polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)**, which have both been shown to cause cancer. If film or containers are contaminated with pesticides or other harmful substances, those will also be released into the air. If plastics are burned with other materials, additional toxic chemicals may be created from the interaction of the different substances.

Unburned portions of the plastic become litter on the ground and in lakes and rivers. As it disintegrates, animals may eat the plastic and get sick. Larger pieces of plastic can become a breeding ground for diseases, such as by trapping water that provides habitat for mosquitoes.

These Plastics Are Too Valuable to Waste

There is a growing worldwide demand for many types of used plastic, which can be reused, recycled, and turned into new products, or in some cases incinerated in controlled conditions to generate energy.

Town of Farmington Will Accept Some Agricultural Plastics

Although we currently have no market to recycle some of these plastics, we will accept **properly rinsed containers** at no cost. Ask the attendant which containers are recyclable and which will be sent to Xcel to be converted to energy. **We will also accept reasonably clean silo bags and other plastic films at a cost of \$15 per bag.** If the bag is cut into pieces shorter than 10 feet, it will be sent to Xcel. Longer pieces will be sent to the landfill. You may report the number of bags you have at the beginning of feeding season and pay your fee up front, then bring the plastic in as you feed out the bag and not have to pay each time you recycle.

Contact Information

Town of Farmington
Dennis Konze,
Solid Waste & Recycling Manager,
608-857-3095 or
Mike Hesse, Town Chairman, 608-857-3139

Household Hazardous Materials Site
La Crosse County Landfill, 6500 Hwy. 16,
La Crosse • Phone: 785-9999

You will receive a brochure at the beginning of each year, so please keep this brochure! If you misplace it, please call 608-857-3139 or 857-3095 for a new one.

Please visit our web site
www.co.la-crosse.wi.us/TownOfFarmington

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