



Muskegon County 2011-2012 **HOUSEHOLD RECYCLING & DISPOSAL GUIDE**

SAVE THIS GUIDE

How to recycle or dispose of everything from antifreeze to yard waste

Tips for conserving energy

Listings for disposal & recycling facilities



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RECYCLING OPTIONS FOR MUSKEGON COUNTY RESIDENTS

THE THREE RS: REDUCE • REUSE • RECYCLE

We all have a stake, and a responsibility, to do more with less. Adhering to the principles, REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE (in that order!), can help curb energy and raw material consumption in the face of growing demand on our natural resources. You can REDUCE packaging waste by purchasing items in bulk and/or looking for items with minimal packaging, made of recycled (aka post-consumer) content. Reduce unwanted “junk” mail by customizing your direct mail preferences at www.DMAchoice.org.

Find ways to REUSE or repurpose things! Craigslist.com and freecycle.org are excellent tools for turning your trash into someone else’s treasure. Invest in a refillable water bottle — it will save you money while reducing packaging waste, transportation fuel use and air pollution! Remember your reusable bags when you visit your local grocery store or farmer’s market. And, RECYCLE everything you can! You can even earn recycling rewards at www.recyclebank.com!

Many private haulers (and a few municipalities) offer curbside recycling options for free, or for a nominal fee, to the majority of Muskegon County residents. Contact your waste hauler for details and be sure to follow their collection guidelines. When a household includes unacceptable items with recyclables, such as food waste, refuse, broken glass or pizza boxes, it can contaminate the entire load and your diligent efforts to recycle can end up in the trash!

Here is a list of local haulers and municipalities that offer curbside recycling services in and around Muskegon County:

- Allied Waste (AKA: Republic Services) (877) 698-7274
- Ames Disposal Inc. (231) 744-3031
- City of Roosevelt Park (residents only) (231) 788-5096
- Kuerth’s Disposal Inc. (231) 744-4967
- Lakeshore Disposal Inc.. (231) 744-2373
- Mid Town Waste Disposal (231) 737-9903
- Montague Disposal & Recycling (231) 894-4677
- Muskegon Charter Township (residents only) (231) 777-2555
- RMS Disposal Inc. (231) 788-5096
- Village of Fruitport (residents only) (231) 865-3577
- Waste Management (800) 538-3750



Reduce the amount of driving you do.

Whether it’s by walking, biking, carpooling, taking advantage of the Muskegon Area Transit System or foregoing an unnecessary trip, cutting back on driving is perhaps the most effective way to decrease the amount of fuel you use, and ensure fewer trips to the gas station.

This publication is brought to you by Muskegon County Department of Public Works and funded by our Solid Waste program in partnership with our sponsors. If you have additional disposal questions that are not covered in the guide, please do not hesitate to contact our office at (231) 724-8846.

The County of Muskegon is committed to fostering a sustainable ecology, economy and community. Please visit the Muskegon County Sustainability Office online at www.co.muskegon.mi.us/sustainability. There you will find more comprehensive resources and ways we can all contribute to making Muskegon County a premier place to live, work and play!

If you live in an area where curbside recycling is not offered, or you have unique recycling or disposal needs, below is a current list of facilities in Muskegon County that offer a wide range of recycling and disposal options. Please note that some of these facilities do charge a nominal fee.

MUSKEGON COUNTY RECYCLING FACILITIES		DAYS/HOURS	*MATERIALS COLLECTED
	Cedar Creek Township Located on Holton Duck Lake Road (231) 821-0014	Sat. 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Household and yard waste, scrap metal.
	Community Recycling Services (owned & operated by Allied Waste) 1970 Port City Blvd., Muskegon (231) 773-8551	Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-3:45 p.m.	Plastics (#1-7), glass, paper, cardboard, metal. Visit www.recyclemuskegon.com for list.
	Dalton Township Located at Russell & Michillinda (231) 766-3043	Wed. & Sat. 8 a.m.-4 p.m.	Tin and scrap metals, clear glass only, #1 and #2 plastics, cardboard, batteries and tires. Visit www.daltontownship.org .
	Fruitland Township Ecology Station 5281 Michillinda (231) 893-0226	Wed. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sat. 8 a.m.-4 p.m.	Yard waste, paper, cardboard, #2 plastic, clear glass, cardboard, metals such as tin cans, aluminum, brass, steel, tires and used oil. www.fruitlandtp.org .
	Habitat for Humanity ReStore 280 Ottawa, Muskegon, between Causeway & Downtown near Marquette (231) 727-6020	Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-6p.m. Sat. 9 a.m.-3 p.m.	Appliances, cabinets, doors, electrical, fans, flooring materials, hardware, lighting, lumber, trim, mirror, glass, latex paint, wall coverings, pipe, PVC, metal/copper, plumbing, tubs, sinks, showers, roofing material, gutters, canales, tools, windows, screens, etc. www.muskegonhabitat.org .
	Holton Township Recycling Station (A service of Recycling for Newaygo County) 6511 Holton Whitehall Road (231) 821-2168	Recycling anytime!	Paper, plastics (#1 and #2 only), cardboard, metal. Visit www.recyclingfornewaygocounty.org for a complete list.
	Holton Township Transfer Station 7675 Holton Duck Lake Road (231) 821-2168	Sat. 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Waste only.
	Ken Cooper Recycling 5750 Airline Road., Fruitport Township (231) 865-3337	Mon.-Fri. 7 a.m.-5 p.m. Sat. by appointment	Concrete, asphalt, brick and cinder block.
	Shoreline Recycling Services www.shorelinerecycling.com 259 Ottawa, Muskegon (231) 722-6081	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Sat. 8 a.m.-11:30 a.m. (April 17 thru May 22 only)	Scrap metals, appliances, auto bodies and etc. www.shorelinerecycling.com .
	Whitelake Solid Waste Authority 2100 West Holton-Whitehall Road, Whitehall (231) 893-2405	Wed. & Sat. 10 a.m.-5 p.m.	Metal, yard waste, used oil, newspapers, tin and aluminum cans, clear glass plastics (NO GREEN GLASS), #1 and #2 plastics.
	West Michigan Recycling Center 40 Harvey, Muskegon (231) 773-7582	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:45 p.m.	Will purchase steel (short and long), car bodies, appliances and cast iron. Call for details.
	White Lake Excavating, Inc. 2571 Holton-Whitehall Road, Whitehall (231) 894-6918	Mon.-Fri. 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (April-Nov.)	Brush and stump grinding; leaf, grass and dredge spoil composting; asphalt and concrete recycling. www.whitelakeexcavating.com .

*Please note that while Muskegon County has made every effort to keep this information up to date, this list may not be exhaustive and may be subject to change at the discretion of the each facility operator. Check the yellow pages for additional local listings.

Handle with care

Antifreeze

(See also Household Hazardous Waste on Page 5.) Antifreeze contains ethylene glycol and should never be dumped on the ground or down the drain. It is toxic to humans, animals and aquatic life. Its sweet smell and taste make it attractive to household pets, so proper storage and disposal is critical. In addition to the Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste facility, you can take unwanted or used antifreeze to:

Speedy Lube Inc. locations:

2211 E. Apple Ave. (231) 773-4941
409 Center St. (231) 744-5203
57 W. Broadway Ave. (231) 737-1521

Firestone Complete Auto Care

700 W. Sherman Blvd. (231) 733-2591

Appliance Recycling

If you are replacing an old dishwasher, stove or refrigerator, check with the sales clerk or the manufacturer about whether they offer appliance recycling. If the appliance is in working order, you can also call **2-1-1** from any landline to find out if any charities are in need of working appliances (cell phone/pay phone users dial (231) 733-1155 or (877) 211-LAKE).

In addition, please refer to the **Muskegon County Recycling Drop-off Facilities** list on Page 3 or check the Yellow Pages under "Scrap Metals."

Note: Most scrap metal recyclers require refrigerants and compressors to be properly reclaimed prior to acceptance (i.e. dehumidifiers, refrigerators, etc.) This must be done by a licensed refrigerant reclamation specialist.

Quality Appliance Co., LLC, 874 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon is a licensed refrigerant reclamation company and accepts non-working appliances containing refrigerants, free of charge, for recycling; (231) 767-3152.

Battery Recycling

Batteries Plus Norton Shores will accept everything from car and boat to laptop and regular alkaline batteries for recycling. The only exclusion is liquid nickel-cadmium batteries. Due to the cost associated with recycling, this service is offered to customers only, located at: 5839 Harvey St., Norton Shores, (231) 747-9168.

Public Health Muskegon County accepts both non-rechargeable and rechargeable batteries. Batteries can be dropped off at the Public Health Department at the Health Education office Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information about battery recycling, call (231) 724-1249.

- AA, AAA, C, D, 9V and button batteries.
 - Battery packs from cameras, cell phones, laptop computers, power tools, etc.
 - Batteries from handheld electronics like iPods, PDAs, pagers, etc.
 - Important: They do **not** accept lead acid batteries
- Note: The Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste Program also accepts batteries. See Household Hazardous Waste for schedules and directions.*

Radio Shack will accept nickel-cadmium rechargeable batteries at no charge, no purchase necessary. Examples are those used in cell phones, laptops and camcorders. There are four retail locations in Muskegon County:

850 W. Sherman Blvd., Muskegon	(231) 759-7597
1819 E. Sherman Blvd., Muskegon	(231) 739-9249
(Lakes Mall) 5600 Harvey St., Suite 2068	
Muskegon	(231) 798-3468
511 E. Colby, Whitehall	(231) 894-2469

U S A-1 Battery Auto Electric Service accepts car batteries (aka: lead acid batteries) for recycling at no charge. They are located at: 1225 South Getty, Muskegon; (231) 722-0327. Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Cell Phones

Many organizations will accept old cell phones for emergency use by local persons in need:

Volunteer Muskegon
(231) 722-6600 ext. x11
www.volunteermuskegon.org
Distributes unwanted working cell phones to seniors and disabled residents so they may have access to call 911 in an emergency.

Every Woman's Place
(231) 759-7909
www.everywomansplace.org
Recycles gently used cell phones for client use.

Verizon Wireless Hopeline
www.verizonwireless.com
Collects cell phones and parts for victims of domestic violence. Visit a local Verizon Wireless store to make your donation.

Electronic Waste & TV Recycling

Goodwill Industries of West Michigan, Inc.
271 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon, (231) 722-7871,
www.goodwillwm.org
Goodwill Industries and Dell, Inc. are partners in RECONNECT, a statewide computer recycling and reuse program. Older, obsolete computers are taken apart (or "demanufactured") by Goodwill workers. The parts are then sorted and recycled responsibly.



Check vehicle alignment & tire pressure

A little bit of vehicle maintenance can go a long way in improving gas mileage. Each tire that is underinflated by 10 psi reduces fuel economy by about 3.3%. Four tires that are underinflated by 10 psi, then, would reduce a vehicle's fuel economy by a substantial 10%. Misaligned tires drag instead of rolling freely. Improper alignment can reduce fuel efficiency by as much as 10% as well. Tires should be balanced and rotated according to the vehicle's owner's manual to improve tire performance, longevity and fuel economy.

Newer, working computers are refurbished and resold with the proceeds funnelling back into workers' wages. **This is a free service to the community that diverts significant toxic, as well as valuable, materials from landfill.** The program also provides jobs and wages to persons with disabilities or disadvantages.

If you have an old computer, laptop, printer, fax machine or similar item, you can drop it off at any retail Goodwill location or at Goodwill headquarters, 271 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon. Please note that Goodwill Industries employs best practices to wipe data from donated computers; however, donors are advised to retrieve and remove data from hard drives and other storage media before making a donation.

In May 2010, Goodwill Industries of West Michigan also launched a FREE TV RECYCLING program in partnership with Universal Recycling Technologies. Now you can get rid of that old TV, guilt-free, at any retail location.

Explosives & Ammunition

Bullets, shotgun shells, fireworks, flares, grenades and other explosives are not generally accepted by the Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste program. Contact your local law enforcement agency for disposal options.

Flag Disposal

The U.S. Flag Code specifies proper display etiquette as well as disposal guidelines. If you have a U.S. Flag that is faded, tattered and ready for retirement, you can drop it off at any local VFW post. They work with the Boy Scouts of America to see that your flag is properly disposed of. For more information about flag etiquette and disposal, or to find a VFW post near you, visit www.vfw.org and select Flag Education. You can also bring your old stars and stripes to the Muskegon County Department of Veterans Affairs, Veterans Services Center, 165 E. Apple Ave., Suite 201, Muskegon; (231) 724-7143.



Fluorescent Lamps & CFLs

Fluorescent lamps, including Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs, or "CFLs," contain trace amounts of mercury. While they use 75 percent less energy, and last about 10 times longer than traditional incandescent bulbs, you should take care that they do not break and dispose of them safely. CFL bulbs and fluorescent tubes can be recycled at any Home Depot or Lowe's. Simply bring in your spent, unbroken fluorescent lamps and ask an associate to point out the recycle container.

Home Depot, Roosevelt Park

2699 Henry, Muskegon
(231) 755-0440

Home Depot

900 Jackson, Grand Haven
(616) 850-8401

Lowe's

2035 East Sherman Blvd., Muskegon
(231) 739-1100

Lowe's

12635 Felch St., Suite 10, Holland
(616) 738-2500

Public Health Muskegon County will also accept unbroken, burned-out CFLs for recycling in the Health Education Office, located at 209 E. Apple Ave. in Muskegon, Monday - Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, please call (231) 724-1249.

The Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste Program also accepts spent fluorescent bulbs at their regular collection site, as well as Saturday events. (See *Household Hazardous Waste on Page 5.*)

Household Hazardous Waste Disposal

Hazardous materials can be found in common household items such as cleaners, paint thinner, gasoline and motor oil, pesticides, fertilizers and even Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs (CFLs). Once these items can no longer be used, they become Household Hazardous Waste (HHW), and it's important to make sure they are disposed of properly to safeguard families, pets and the environment.

The Muskegon County Department of Public Works offers a free HHW disposal program to Muskegon County residents. Please note that commercial and industrial waste is prohibited. Should you possess any of the following materials, the HHW program will dispose of them in a safe and responsible manner.

- Mercury or mercury-containing devices (i.e. Compact Florescent Light bulbs (CFLs) and other fluorescent lamps, mercury thermometers or thermostats, etc.)
- Petroleum products
- Antifreeze and other automotive fluids

- Pesticides
- Insecticides
- Herbicides
- Aerosol cans (containing hazardous materials)
- Alkaline batteries (we do not accept lead acid/car batteries. *Please see Battery Recycling on page 4.*)
- Acids (i.e. muriatic acid)
- Bases (i.e. drain cleaner)
- Fire extinguishers
- Other products with approval

Recycling used oil is preferred over disposal as HHW. Used oil can be recycled, free of charge, at any AutoZone location and most other quick oil change service locations. See *Used Oil Recycling* for a more complete list of used oil recycling options in Muskegon County.

NOTE: Paint is not considered a hazardous waste. The best way to dispose of paint is to use it or recycle it. (See Paint Recycling & Disposal on Page 6.)

Regular Collection Hours:

The second and fourth Friday of each month, May-Oct., 1-3 p.m.

Late fall and winter collection is by appointment only. Appointments are made only for those who are not able to wait for a normal collection day.

Collection Location:

Household Hazardous Waste Site
Rear lot of Pound Buddies Rescue
1300 Keating, Muskegon

Contact: If you have questions regarding materials that you'd like to dispose of, please contact the Household Hazardous Waste line at (231) 724-6001 (option 4).

To learn more about health and safety information on household products, help identify potential sources of HHW in your home and find ways to seek out alternatives, visit <http://householdproducts.nlm.nih.gov/>.



Go easy on the pedals.

Speeding, braking and rapid acceleration waste gas. Depending on the type of vehicle, poor driving habits can negatively affect fuel economy between 5 and 33 percent. Driving sensibly — not like a race car driver — can lead to substantial gas savings.

FALL 2011 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) SATURDAY COLLECTION EVENT

Date: Oct. 15, 2011

Hours: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Location: Michael E. Kobza Hall of Justice Employee Parking Lot
930 Pine St., Muskegon
Located one block north of Apple Avenue on Pine and Walton Avenue

*Please note that in addition to collecting HHW, Goodwill Industries will be collecting electronic waste, including FREE TV RECYCLING, and any other household donations at the same site. This will be a great opportunity to dispose of Household Hazardous Waste and recycle unwanted electronics and household goods in one stop!

SATURDAY COLLECTION EVENTS ARE IN ADDITION TO THE STANDARD HOURS LISTED ON THIS PAGE FOR THE PERMANENT HHW FACILITY AT 1300 KEATING, MUSKEGON.

Ink Cartridges

Most ink cartridges can be refilled or recycled. Drop off ink cartridges at any of the locations listed below and you can even earn store credit while diverting recyclables from the landfill!

Office Max

Sherman Centre
1700 East Sherman Blvd., Muskegon
(231) 739-1700

12635 Felch St., Suite 40, Holland
(616) 786-3161

Staples

Westshore Plaza
1773 East Sherman Blvd., Muskegon
(231) 739-7739

840 Jackson St., Grand Haven
(616) 847-2946

North Park Plaza
2337 North Park Dr., Holland
(616) 393-8103

Medication & Sharps Disposal

The Muskegon Area Medication Disposal Program (MAMDP) is a collaborative of community organizations providing an outlet to safely dispose of unused, unwanted and expired medications. FDA and EPA no longer recommend flushing or landfilling medications due to environmental concerns about the effects on safe drinking water and the ecology of our watersheds. MAMDP partners offer collection events as well as an expanding network of daily disposal options. Visit www.mamdp.com for more information.

UPCOMING MEDICATION DISPOSAL DROP-OFF EVENTS

Date: June 18, 2011

Hours: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Dalton Township Fire Department
1650 E. Riley Thompson Road,
Muskegon, (231) 766-3277

Date: Oct. 8, 2011

Hours: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Location: Norton Shores Fire Department
1100 East Pontaluna Road,
Norton Shores, (231) 798-2255

When dropping off medication, be sure to black out personal patient information. Leave medication information visible. Items accepted:

- Prescription drugs
- Narcotics/DEA scheduled/controlled drugs
- Over-the-counter medications
- Medication samples
- Medicated ointments and lotions
- Antibiotics
- Inhalers
- Steroids
- Cold and flu medicines
- Pet medications
- Vitamins

DAILY DISPOSAL OPTIONS FOR OVER-THE-COUNTER, NON-CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES

Glenside Pharmacy

1663 W. Sherman Blvd., (231) 755-2443
(inside Glenside Plumb's)

Hackley Professional Pharmacy

1675 Leahy, Suite 111, (231) 728-5888
(inside Hackley Professional Center)

Healthcare Equipment & Pharmacy

6401 Prairie St., (231) 727-7968
(in Lakes Campus near The Lakes Mall)

Westshore Professional Pharmacy

1150 E. Sherman Blvd., (231) 672-2204
(inside the Health Pavilion)

Wolf Lake Pharmacy

5483 E. Apple Ave., (231) 788-4087
(inside Wolf Lake Plumb's)

Benson Drug SavMor Pharmacy

961 Spring St., (231) 722-2861

Sharps

If you do not have access to sharps disposal options through your pharmacy, health center or otherwise, MAMDP, in partnership with Muskegon County Department of Public Works, will accept used sharps at their one-day events **ONLY** in a sealed, safe sharps container or empty laundry soap jug. (See Upcoming Medication Disposal Drop-off Events.)

There are also a number of mail-back disposal services, such as:

BD Sharps Disposal Home, (800) 327-4277

Stericycle Sharps Mail-Back Program,
(866) 783-7422

Medwaste Tracker, (866) 699-6466

Ask your pharmacist about other sharps mail-back programs.

Mercury Thermometers

(See also *Household Hazardous Waste on Page 5*.)

Public Health Muskegon County accepts unbroken mercury thermometers for disposal. Unbroken mercury thermometers can be dropped off inside the Health Education office Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call (231) 724-1249. 209 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon

The Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste Program also accepts mercury-containing devices.

Mercury Thermostats

(See also *Household Hazardous Waste on Page 5*.)

Many old thermostats contain mercury switches with about 3 grams of mercury per device. According to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the improper disposal of mercury thermostats results in about 8% of the mercury released annually in the U.S., equal to about 9.6 tons.

If you are looking to upgrade to a programmable, digital thermostat to help conserve energy in your home, make sure you dispose of your old mercury-containing thermostat properly, **NOT** with regular household trash. Once in the environment, it can transform into methyl mercury, which can be extremely harmful to human health. Please contact your thermostat manufacturer to determine whether they have a mail-back program, or bring them to the Muskegon County Household Hazardous Waste facility (see page 5). You can also visit www.michiganenergyoptions.org for more information and disposal options in Michigan.



Did you know

it takes 95% less energy to recycle an aluminum can than to produce one from virgin raw material?



Paint Recycling & Disposal

The best way to dispose of paint is to use it up! If you're purchasing paint for a project, consider the area you have to cover and use a paint calculator (visit www.homedepot.com or www.lowes.com) to ensure you're purchasing the right amount.

If you find you have leftover latex/water-based paint that has never been frozen, contact one of these organizations for free recycling:

Muskegon Habitat for Humanity,

(231) 727-6020

Muskegon Civic Theater, (231) 722-3852

Port City Paints/RepcoLite Paints, Inc.,

(231) 726-5911

And finally, as a last resort, since paint (latex as well as oil-based) is not considered a hazardous waste, paints that have been frozen, as well as others, may be disposed of with your household trash as long as it is dried or solidified by adding kitty litter (or other drying media) and leaving it open to dry in a well-ventilated area, away from children and animals.

Smoke Detectors

Some smoke detectors, specifically those with ionization chambers, contain a small amount of americium-241, a very low-level radioactive material encapsulated in a metal chamber. Ionizing radiation is not strong enough to penetrate paper. Contact the manufacturer to find out if they offer a mail-back disposal program. Otherwise, the State of Michigan, Radiation Safety Section recommends wrapping spent ionization chamber smoke detectors securely in newspaper, bagging them and disposing of them with your household waste. You can learn more about smoke detectors and ionization technology at www.epa.gov.

Styrofoam Recycling

Nupak Solutions Inc. will recycle CLEAN Styrofoam used in packaging at no charge, Monday-Friday from 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Styrofoam that has come in contact with food or drink is NOT accepted. Please call ahead for details and directions.

NuPak Solutions Inc.

2850 Lincoln St., Norton Shores (231) 755-1662

Please note that **packing peanuts** are accepted for reuse at Muskegon UPS store locations:

1934 E Apple Ave.

1887 Holton Road, Suite D

2743 Henry St.



Tire Disposal

Proper tire disposal is very important, not only for the environment, but for human and animal health as well. Disease-carrying pests such as rodents can inhabit tire piles. Mosquitoes also like to breed in the stagnant water that collects inside tires. Several varieties of mosquitoes can carry diseases, including encephalitis, dengue fever and West Nile virus. These retailers accept tires.

Discount Tire Company, Inc.

647 W. Norton Ave., Muskegon
(231) 739-3555

Accepts all passenger and light truck tires for a fee of \$2.75 each, Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

Randy's Auto Salvage

1641 S. Wolf Lake Road, Muskegon
(231) 788-5075

Accepts passenger and light truck tires for a fee of \$2.50 each Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call for semi and tractor tire disposal fees.

Smith Tire Station

499 W. Broadway, Muskegon Heights
(231) 733-9406

Accepts passenger and light truck tires for a fee of \$2.50 each Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturdays, 8 a.m.-noon. They ask that the tires be free of water and debris.

You can also reduce scrap tire generation by:

- Taking proper care of tires by checking air inflation, driving in a manner that does not put unnecessary demand on tires, rotating the tires, balancing the wheels and maintaining proper wheel alignment.
- Purchasing used tires or buying retreads.
- Supporting the recycled product market — look for products made with scrap tires or recycled rubber.
- Consider repurposing tires — make a planter or a tire swing!

Used Oil Recycling

AutoZone accepts motor oil at all three locations at no cost. AutoZone asks for **clean motor oil only** (not mixed with water, gas, leaves, etc.) and no more than five gallons per person, per day.

1236 E. Apple Ave., Muskegon, (231) 773-4479
Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.,
Sunday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

705 W. Sherman Blvd. Muskegon,
(231) 737-2502

Monday-Saturday 8 a.m.-9 p.m.,
Sunday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

1740 Holton Road, Muskegon, (231) 744-4265
Monday-Saturday 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.,
Sunday 9 a.m.-9 p.m.

In addition to AutoZone, the following locations accept small quantities of used motor oil for recycling. Please call ahead if you have a large amount or other types of automotive fluid you wish to recycle.

Advance Auto Parts Locations

1333 E. Apple Ave., (231) 767-9459
2703 Henry St., (231) 755-1811

Firestone Complete Auto Care

700 W. Sherman Blvd.,
(231) 733-2591

Walmart Tire and Lube

Express Locations

1879 E. Sherman Blvd.,
(231) 739-6202
3267 Henry St., (231) 739-4710

Fruitland Township

Ecology Station

5281 Michillinda Road,
(231) 766-3208

White Lake Area

Solid Waste Authority

2000 Holton-Whitehall Road,
(231) 894-4048

Speedy Lube Inc. Locations

2211 E. Apple Ave., (231) 773-4941
409 Center St., (231) 744-5203
57 W. Broadway Ave.,
(231) 737-1521

Miller's Oil Lube Express

624 E Colby St. Whitehall,
(231) 894-9340

Yard Waste

Michigan law currently prohibits yard waste from disposal in municipal solid waste landfills. Yard waste is defined as: leaves, grass clippings, vegetable/garden debris and shrubbery, brush or tree trimmings less than 4 feet in length and 2 inches in diameter.

Contact your city or township office to ask whether they provide a yard-waste drop-off location. *(Also see the Muskegon County Recycling Facilities listing on Page 3.)*

Consider composting your yard waste as a free way to return nutrients to your soil or garden and make your own potting soil. Visit your local Muskegon Area District Library (www.MADL.org) to learn more about composting, or contact the Muskegon Conservation District at 231-773-0008.

Muskegon County Landfill

9366 Apple Ave.
(231) 724-6001

The County operates a licensed Type II landfill to properly dispose of non-hazardous solid waste. If you have unwanted solid waste that cannot be reused or recycled, you can visit the landfill, which is located approximately 2.5 miles east of Maple Island Road on Apple Avenue.

HOURS

COMMERCIAL ACCOUNTS

Monday-Friday 7 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

PRIVATE ACCOUNTS

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

ALL ACCOUNTS

Saturday 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

Monday-Saturday except for the following holidays:

New Year's Day
Memorial Day
Independence Day
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day

RATES (As of May 2011)

Municipal solid waste
Muskegon County haulers only
\$24 per ton

Industrial, demolition, and all other wastes not listed
\$30 per ton

Contaminated soil
\$48 per ton (\$50 minimum)

Cars
2 1/4¢ per lb. (\$6 minimum up to 267 lbs.)

Pick-up trucks/trailers
2 1/4¢ per pound (\$18 minimum up to 800 lbs.)

Untarped charges
\$5

Tires are banned from the landfill by state law.

All refundable returnable containers are banned in the landfill by state law.

NO APPLIANCES, YARD WASTE, TIRES, PROPANE TANKS OR HAZARDOUS WASTE ACCEPTED.



Did you know

Did you know that recycling creates four jobs for every one job created in waste management and disposal industries? (Source: Public Sector Consultants)

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