

## Unacceptable Items:

### Tires – Call the Osceola-Lake Conservation District

(231) 465-8012 or Mecosta Conservation District  
(231) 349-9805 for scheduled collections

Electronics – Call the Osceola-Lake Conservation District (231) 465-8012 or St. Michael School (989) 967-3681 for scheduled collections

Medication – Call the Ten 16 Recovery Network for locations of Medical Disposal Boxes (231) 527-1499

Latex Paint – Can be put in trash, if completely dry.  
(To dry, leave lids off, add kitty litter or sawdust for speedier drying). Paint hardener products are also available at various businesses.

### Ammunition or Explosives –

Call Sheriff - Lake Co. (745-2712) / Mecosta Co. (592-0150) / Osceola Co. (832-2288)

### Radioactive Materials – Call NRC Hotline at

1-800-233-3497 (Nuclear Regulatory Commission)

Construction/Remodeling Waste Ex. Drywall, tiles, shingles, insulation, wood/metal scraps, etc.) Call local waste hauler for disposal.

### Appliances and Furniture –

The INC Spot (no large appliances) (231) 832-9495

Community Thrift Center – (231) 745-2551

Mecosta Co. Habitat for Humanity ReStore - (231) 972-2100

M&J New & Used Furniture – must be in working condition (231) 357-9861

All Leopard-non-working appliances-Osceola Co (231) 734-5287

### Batteries (see below)

Rechargeable Batteries – Accepted at Lowes in Big Rapids

Household Batteries (alkaline, carbon zinc, manganese) can be disposed of with your normal household trash

Automotive Batteries – Area auto parts stores or Mecosta County Recycle.

**Above items will NOT be accepted at the collection sites.**

## **Clean Sweep is a simple and easy pesticide and mercury recovery program.**

### **Who can use the program?**

Any Michigan homeowner, farm, green-house, nursery, golf course or other end user of pesticides can use this service, but not dealers or persons who apply pesticides for hire.

### **What can I bring and how much?**

Old, unwanted, out-of-date or unusable pesticides can be dropped off for safe disposal. Pre-registration required for anything over 200 lbs.

### **Tips for safe transport of hazardous materials:**

Keep items in their original and labeled containers.

Do not mix the contents of unknown/unlabeled containers.

Make sure that containers are not leaking prior to bringing them to a collection facility.

- Inspect steel containers for rust, pinholes or deficient seams.
- Place any leaking container in a clear plastic bag or leak proof container.

Do not transport containers with open tops.

Place chemicals in vehicles away from passengers.

Secure all containers so they cannot slide, tip or spill contents.

This collection is a service to the community and it takes many volunteers on the day of the event. We are looking for dedicated participants!

Volunteers are needed to collect surveys, direct traffic, and unload vehicles. If you would like to be involved, please contact us.

### **Mecosta**

Brook Baumann (231) 349-9805

### **Osceola/Lake**

Mark Sweppenheiser (231) 465-8012

# **Clean Sweep and Household Hazardous Waste Disposal in Lake, Mecosta & Osceola Counties**

**August 6th, 2026**  
**2 p.m. – 6 p.m.**



*This project is supported by the Mecosta and Osceola-Lake Conservation Districts, MAEAP "Clean Sweep" Program, local units of government, municipalities, businesses, organizations, foundations and individual donations.*

*The community's continued support and donations are extremely important for the continued success of the HHW event.*

Suggested minimum donation of \$20 per vehicle is appreciated to help offset the cost of disposal. The program costs roughly \$60,000 a year to operate.

### **NOTE:**

Last year we collected 43,276 pounds of household hazardous waste from 476 households. We appreciate everyone who participated. If you would like to volunteer, call (231) 349-9805 or email brook.batmann@macd.org

