

Mid Michigan Waste Authority



COMMUNITY connection

A monthly update from the Mid Michigan Waste Authority

June 2016

Upcoming Events

MMWA Executive Cmte Meeting
MMWA Office
Thursday, July 28 @ 1:30 PM

HSW days underway

MMWA's expanded problem waste collection program kicked off last week, with it's first Tech Tuesday and Paint Wednesday drop-off days.

In order to make these events as safe, accessible, and economical as possible, there are specific days devoted to paint, electronics and hazardous waste collection.

Flyers promoting the 2016 Special Waste Drop-off Day schedule have been distributed to municipalities and community partners, but please contact us if you would like additional copies to help promote this program.

For more information, call the MMWA office at (989) 781-9555 or visit www.recyclemotion.org.



Fourth of July holiday means trash delay

Fourth of July is on a Monday this year, so that means ALL member communities will have their curbside collection services delayed by one day the week of July 4.

Residents should put their trash, recycling and yardwaste materials out one day later than they normally do that week.

The MMWA office will be closed on Monday, July 4, in observation of the holiday. The office reopens at 8:30 am on Tuesday, July 5.

Tips for bulk item curbside collection

Residents in all MMWA member communities are allowed to set out two bulky items per week on their regular collection day. If the items are too large/heavy for the trash driver to collect, he will tag them for collection by the WM bulk truck within two business days.

The bulk truck uses a crane to lift larger items, so it is important that they are not placed under a tree or low power lines where they cannot be safely accessed by the driver. Residents unsure about how to prepare a bulk item for curbside pick up should call MMWA at (989) 781-9555.

Saginaw County tire drive schedule set

Residents frequently contact MMWA for information on proper tire disposal. While that is not a service offered through the residential curbside program, Saginaw County residents have a wonderful resource in the Saginaw County Mosquito Abatement Commission.



The SCMAC has recently announced its summer tire drive schedule. Visit www.scmac.org/tires.htm for a complete list of tire drive locations and dates in June and July.



As Americans prepare to observe the Flag Day and Fourth of July holidays, Mid Michigan Waste Authority is reminding area residents to properly dispose of their old, unserviceable United States flags.

MMWA encourages flag owners to follow the United States Flag Code, which outlines how to respectfully retire an unserviceable American flag.

When an American flag becomes soiled, faded and tattered, it should be destroyed, preferably by burning, according to the code. Flags should never be disposed of in trash or recycling.

Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) directions for proper flag disposal include folding the flag in its customary manner, then placing it in a fire large enough to ensure complete burning of the flag. Individuals can come to attention, salute the flag, recite the Pledge of Allegiance, and have a brief period of silent reflection. After the flag is completely consumed, the fire should be safely extinguished and the ashes buried.

In May 2016, sixteen MMWA member communities had ZERO valid RCLs and five communities had ONE.

A valid RCL is when a Waste Management collection worker returns to the address to provide collection service.