



Public Works Department: Recycling Center

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For 2026 Manitowoc County has expanded the Clean Sweep Program to include a partnership with the Brown County Hazardous Material Recovery Facility. This will allow Manitowoc County residents to dispose of acceptable household hazardous waste items, for FREE, at the Brown County Facility year-round during designated days and times. This partnership is meant to compliment the local Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep event. People who cannot wait for the event now have a free means of disposal if they are willing to drive to Green Bay, a trip which is easily combined with other out of town errands. People who are not willing to make the drive still have the option of the one-day event. We anticipate that this will help lower the attendance numbers and volume of material that the event has to process, which should mean shorter and quicker lines.

Further information about the Brown County option is available on our website at <https://manitowocountywi.gov/.../brown-county-option/>

Brown County Resource Recovery

2561 S. Broadway
Green Bay, WI
920-492-4950

Website: [Brown County Hazardous Material Recovery](#)

Drop off hours:

Tuesday 9am – 3pm
Thursday noon – 6pm
Or by appointment.

Guidelines:

- Free disposal for acceptable hazardous waste items for Manitowoc County residents.
- Fees apply to any items that are not considered hazardous including electronics, batteries, propane tanks, light bulbs, cooking oils, and others.
- Farms and businesses are not covered under this arrangement but may still utilize the Brown County program and pay for their materials. Appointments are necessary, see their [website](#) for details.
- Bring proof of residency.
- Drivers must remain in their vehicles.
- Hazardous materials must be in the back end of vehicles (trunk, truck bed). Material will not be removed from front or back seats.
- Staff is not able to "pour off" liquid hazardous waste and return the containers during collections. If you are bringing gasoline or other fluids to the Hazardous Material Recovery facility this material must be brought in a container that can be left at the facility.

- Large loads including full truck beds and full trailer loads must call and make an appointment. They reserve the right to reject or delay any unscheduled large load that shows up during their residential hours.
- A product exchange room is available Tuesday 9am – 3pm and Thursday 1pm – 6pm.

ACCEPTABLE HAZARDOUS WASTE ITEMS

- Pesticides
- Herbicides
- Insecticides
- Fungicides
- Rodenticides
- Other poisonous repellents and banned chemicals (DDT)
- Oil based paints
- Oil (non-hazardous but covered under our arrangement, please consider taking oil to one of the [local drop offs](#))
- Varnishes
- Shellacs
- Turpentine
- Thinners
- Lead based paints
- Aerosols (full or part full)
- Wood preservatives
- Oven cleaners
- Spot removers
- Polishes
- Contaminated oil
- Antifreeze (non-hazardous but covered under our arrangement)
- Old gasoline
- Acids/bases
- Mothballs
- Pool and spa chemicals
- Photographic chemicals
- Chemical strippers
- Nicotine Vape Pens

UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Smoke Detectors and other Radioactive Material
- Explosives
- Biological and Infectious Waste
- Sharps
- Medications and Pharmaceuticals
- Large Appliances or Freon Containing Appliances

