

Additional Info

- Any person, company or organization that purchases or controls a pesticide is legally responsible for proper use, handling, storage, and disposal. It is illegal to buy, burn or discard a pesticide or its container in a manner inconsistent with instructions found on the label.
- If you have questions about the use, registration or condition of a pesticide, contact the MDA at (406) 444-3144. You will need to provide the product name, manufacturer, and EPA registration number found on the product's label.
- Pesticides with a missing label or unknown pesticides can be accepted into the disposal program. Large volumes of an unknown pesticide may require analysis before acceptance into the collection. The participant should be reasonably sure that the unknown material is a pesticide. Any information about the material should be provided.
- The program will only collect and dispose of unusable pesticides and their containers. Fertilizers, waste oil, paints and any other non-pesticide material will not be accepted.

For more information, contact the
Montana Department of Agriculture:

Kalispell, MT	(406) 257-9015
Missoula, MT	(406) 329-1346
Bozeman, MT	(406) 587-9067
Great Falls, MT	(406) 761-0655
Glasgow, MT	(406) 228-9510
Billings, MT	(406) 652-1917


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Waste Pesticide Disposal Program



What are waste pesticides?

Any pesticide (herbicide, insecticide, fungicide, etc.) that is unusable as originally intended is waste. Pesticides become unusable when they have become contaminated, if the registration has been cancelled, or if the labels were lost or have become unreadable. The program also accepts empty metal pesticide containers as waste.



How do I participate?

⇒ Complete a Montana Department of Agriculture Pesticide Disposal registration form online.

⇒ Registration Form:

<https://agr.mt.gov/Topics/N-P/Pesticide-Pages/Pesticide-Disposal-Pages/Pesticide-Waste-Disposal-Program/Participant-Registration>

⇒ Once pre-registered, you will be notified of the exact location and date of the collection.

⇒ The actual drop-off takes less than 15 minutes.

Why should I bring in my waste pesticide containers?

A pesticide that can no longer be used must be disposed in a way that protects human health and the environment.

The longer a pesticide is held in storage, the greater the risk of accidental environmental damage. Old pesticides or pesticides that are stored improperly can expose children, livestock or pets to serious injury or even death. Containers may corrode, causing pesticides to leak. Fire or flooding may cause a pesticide release that can contaminate air, soil and water, resulting in costly cleanup.

To protect your family, pets, livestock and drinking water you are encouraged to participate in this environmentally responsible program.

How much will this cost me?

Cost is based on the weight of the waste pesticide and its container. Fees that are collected help pay for the program.

- The first 200 lbs. are FREE
- \$1.00 per pound for amounts over 200 lbs.

The Department may charge a higher fee to accept pesticides in pressurized cylinders or in containers that contain dioxin or heavy metals.

Cost Example

$$\begin{aligned} 50 \text{ gals.} \times 10 \text{ lbs./gal.} &= 500 \text{ lbs.} \\ 500 \text{ lbs.} - 200 \text{ lbs. (free)} &= 300 \text{ lbs.} \\ 300 \text{ lbs.} \times \$1.00 \text{ lb.} &= \$300.00 \end{aligned}$$

When and Where are the collection sites?

The Waste Pesticide Disposal Program is held annually in September. Four or five collection sites will be chosen, alternating in each of Montana's three waste pesticide disposal districts. Publicity will precede collections in each district.



Western Montana - September 2020
Central Montana - September 2021
Eastern Montana - September 2022

Will there be any penalties?

NO! The disposal program is a non-regulatory service program that offers pesticide users the opportunity to dispose of unwanted and unusable pesticides in a safe and environmentally friendly way.

**Remember to
Pre-Register!**