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**PAINT/CHEMICAL/HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY CLOSURES FOR SEASON**

On Friday, September 30<sup>th</sup>, the Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility will close for the 2016 season.

The facility, located at the end of Leland Avenue in Utica, will be open for residents of Oneida and Herkimer Counties, Monday through Friday 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM and on Saturday from 7:00 AM to 2:00 PM through the month of September.

The facility was designed to accept waste products from homes that can cause problems for humans and our environment when discarded improperly. Examples of wastes accepted include oil-based and latex paints, pesticides, oven cleaners and photographic chemicals. Once received, items are sorted by hazard class and properly disposed or recycled. Electronics/televisions/computer equipment, propane cylinders (under 100 lbs.), fluorescent light bulbs and many other common household items are accepted year-round, at no charge.

Households are only allowed to drop off 14 wet gallons and/or 20 dry pounds of waste per trip. Liquid paint may be brought to the Household Hazardous Waste Facility, however, empty paint cans or cans with hardened paint should be placed in the garbage. You must remove all covers before you place them in the garbage.

Certain businesses may also qualify to use the facility. To obtain approval, please call Superintendent of Waste Collection William Schrader at 733-1224 ext. 1100.

If you are not sure how to properly recycle or dispose of an item, the Authority encourages residents to visit its easy-to-use tool at [www.AmiRecyclable.com](http://www.AmiRecyclable.com) to search hundreds of different items and learn all of the answers.

For a brochure listing acceptable waste which includes a map to the facility, please call the Authority office at 733-1224 or visit the website at [www.ohswa.org](http://www.ohswa.org).

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