

Preserving the environment through integrated recovery and disposal.

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**Solid Waste Authority Offers Cleanup Tips for Fall**

As the summer season comes to an end, many of us begin cleaning up our yards and homes in order to prepare for the cold weather months.

The Oneida-Herkimer Solid Waste Authority offers the following guidelines to assist with summer cleanups.

<i>How Do I Dispose Of...</i>	
Inflatable Pool Floats	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  Inflatable pool floats should be placed in your regular garbage.
<b>BULKY RIGID PLASTICS</b> (Plastic lawn furniture, toys, coolers, garbage cans & more)	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  <b>DELIVER TO:</b> Authority's Utica or Rome Convenience Stations at no charge <b>OR</b> Contact your municipality for collection schedule.
Propane Tanks (1 lb. to 100 lb. tanks/cylinders)	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  <b>DELIVER TO:</b> Authority's Utica or Rome Convenience Stations at no charge.
Pool Chemicals/Paint/ Household Hazardous Waste	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  <b>DELIVER TO:</b> Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility at no charge until <b><u>September 30<sup>th</sup></u></b> .  Empty containers and hardened paint cans should be placed in your regular garbage.
Garden Hoses	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  All garden hoses should be placed in regular garbage.
Green Waste (Leaves, Grass Clippings, Garden Waste)	<b><u>DO NOT</u> PLACE IN RECYCLING BIN</b>  <b>DELIVER TO:</b> Authority's Utica or Rome Convenience Stations <b>OR</b> Contact your municipality for collection schedule.

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### **Utica Convenience Station/Household Hazardous Waste Facility**

- 80 Leland Ave. Extension, Utica, NY
- **Hours of Operation:**
- Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
- Saturday: 7:00 am – 2:00 pm

*Please note that Household Hazardous Waste is only accepted April 1<sup>st</sup> – September 30<sup>th</sup> each year.*

### **Rome Convenience Station**

- 575 Perimeter Road, Rome, NY
- **Hours of Operation:**
- Monday – Friday: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
- Saturday: 8:00 am – 12:00 pm

The Authority encourages reuse before disposal. There are various locations and organizations in Oneida and Herkimer Counties that accept used items as a donation for reuse or recycling. Please visit [www.ohswa.org](http://www.ohswa.org) for a list of organizations and acceptable items.

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 the answers.

For more information on recycling and waste disposal, please contact Authority Recycling Educator Jamie Tuttle at 733-1224 ext. 2300 or visit [www.ohswa.org](http://www.ohswa.org). You may also ask questions and find more information on the Authority's Facebook page (Oneida Herkimer Solid Waste Authority).

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