



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CONTAINER OPENING

ATHENS, TENNESSEE – February 26, 2019 – The City of Athens Public Works Department is excited to announce the City of Athens Recycle Center Household Hazardous Waste Container opening:

The City of Athens Recycle Center will be opening the Household Hazardous Waste Container to the public on Friday, March 1, 2019. The container will be open during normal business hours. Please see website for information pertaining to acceptable and unacceptable items.
www.cityofathenstn.com/publicworks/recycling.html

The City of Athens is a full-service municipality nestled in the foothills of the Great Smoky Mountains and has garnered a reputation as the “Friendly City.”

For more information, please contact the Office of the Public Works Department at 423-744-2745.

Household Hazardous Waste Container

Hours of operation:

Monday 7am to 3pm
Tuesday 11am to 6pm
Wednesday 11am to 6pm
Thursday 11am to 6pm
Friday 7am to 3pm
Saturday 8am to 12pm

Things to remember:

-NO businesses, School, Church, Hospital, Doctor, Dental or Contractors Waste
-HOUSEHOLD Hazardous waste ONLY
-Containers must be free of leaks & approved by City of Athens Employee
-Containers will not be returned
-Ask attendant for other recycling resources if you have an item not on acceptable list
-Attendant must be present to drop off any item

For questions please call
Public Works at
(423)744-2749



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Acceptable Items:

Home Maintenance:

Pool Chemicals
Spa Chemicals
Paint Thinner
Preservatives
Muriatic Acid
Lamp Oil
Paint Strippers
Adhesives
Driveway Sealant
Fluorescent Bulbs
Aerosols
Propane Compressed Gas
Spray Paint
Acetone
Toluene
Rat/Mouse Poison
Stump Remover

Lawn & Garden:

Pesticides
Herbicides
Insecticides
Fertilizers
Plant Food
Weed & Feed
Bug Repellent

Automotive Products:

Fuel & Oil Additives
Grease & Rust Solvents
Body Putty
Starter Fluids
Carburetor & Fuel Injector Cleaners
Brake Cleaner
Battery Acid
Cleaners
Gasoline
Kerosene
Diesel Fuel

Personal Care Products:

Lipstick
Lotion
Nail Polish
Nail Polish Removers

Household Cleaners:

Drain Openers
Oven Cleaners
Wood/Metal Polish
Toilet Bowl Cleaner
Disinfectants
Bleach

Medical Sharps & Lancets:

Mercury Thermometer
Sharps must be in sturdy container
- Labeled w/ contents & NO RECYCLE

Unacceptable Items:

Radioactive:

Smoke Detectors
Radium Paint

Explosives/Ammunition:

Fireworks
Military Ordnance
Gun Powder
Ammunition

Medical Waste:

Medicines/Drug
- Use containers at law enforcement offices and some pharmacies
Dead Animals
- Contact local sanitation or solid waste dept.
Infectious Waste

Miscellaneous:

No Latex/Water based paint
-Harden the paint and discard in regular trash
Empty Containers or Aerosols
-Discard with regular trash
Automotive Gas Tanks
Any item not in approved container
Unlabeled or unknown chemicals

