



HoCoGro Product

Materials brought to the Alpha Ridge Landfill Wood Waste Area are processed on-site into compost, mulch and a topsoil blend. Residents may purchase these products in bulk. Visit our website for pricing.

Compost Demonstrations

By following a few simple steps, you can successfully compost in your backyard. See hands on composting demonstrations sponsored by the Master Gardeners and pick-up a free compost bin. For a demo schedule, call 410-313-6444 or visit HowardCountyRecycles.org.

Holiday Slide Schedule

Residents' Convenience Center at Alpha Ridge Landfill will be closed:



Guided Tours

Schedule a guided tour and learn what happens to items collected at the Residents' Convenience Center. Tours of the Composting Facility and Recycling Processing Center are also available. Call 410-313-6444 for more information.

Alpha Ridge Landfill Residents' Convenience Center

*Proof of County Residency is required.
Scavenging is prohibited.*

HOURS

Monday - Saturday
8:00 am - 4:00 pm

2350 Marriottsville Road
Marriottsville, MD 21104

410-313-6444

KnowBeforeYouThrow.org

KNOW before
you THROW
HOWARD COUNTY, MD



YES we accept:

- ✓ **American Flags** – U.S. flags for retirement by the American Legion.
- ✓ **Antifreeze** – Pour liquid into tank.
- ✓ **Batteries** – Auto, boat and motorcycle. Rechargeable and other non-alkaline batteries are accepted as HHW. Alkaline batteries can be disposed in your regular trash.
- ✓ **Bicycles** – Reusable bicycles only. No tricycles or motorized bikes.
- ✓ **Building Materials (Reusable)** – Banisters, bathtubs, cabinets, countertops, doors, hardware, lighting fixtures, lumber, molding, plumbing fixtures, shelving, stairs, toilets, windows, etc. Items go to The Loading Dock. Tax receipts are available the first Saturday of the month.
- ✓ **Books** - paperback & hardback
- ✓ **Cardboard** – Please flatten. No Styrofoam or packaging material.
- ✓ **Clothing & Textiles** – Clothing, curtains, sheets, blankets, towels, hats, belts, handbags, paired shoes.
- ✓ **Compressed Gas Tanks** – Fire extinguishers, propane, helium & oxygen tanks.
- ✓ **Cooking Oil** – Used cooking oil. Empty into container.
- ✓ **Electronics** – Anything electrical with a plug that is not an appliance or furniture.
- ✓ **Food Scraps** – Visit FeedTheGreenBin.org for accepted items. If bagged, must use compostable bags.
- ✓ **Mattresses & Box Springs** – Dry mattresses and box springs of all sizes. Please load vertically.
- ✓ **Medical equipment** – Reusable durable medical equipment like wheel chairs, walkers, canes and aids. No motorized items.
- ✓ **Metal** – Appliances, grills, air conditioners, auto parts, furniture, mowers, copper and brass items, aluminum siding, tire chains, light fixtures, tire rims, fencing, cable, etc. Please drain motors of oil and fuel. Place air conditioners and refrigerators in designated area. Freon removal fee applies to commercial businesses.
- ✓ **Oil & Filters** – Motor oil, oil filters and hydraulic oils

- (brake, transmission and power steering).
- ✓ **Recycling Single Stream** – Paper, plastic bottles & containers, metal food & drink cans, glass bottles & jars. Containers must be empty. Leave lids, labels and caps on. No plastic bags, film or wrap.
- ✓ **Rigid Plastics** – Buckets, lawn furniture, laundry baskets, flower pots, garbage cans, etc. No PVC pipe.
- ✓ **Styrofoam #6** – Foam packaging, clean food trays, cups, containers, and egg cartons. Items must be marked with #6. No foam peanuts, foam insulation or non-foam #6 containers.
- ✓ **Tires** – Automobile & truck tires. Limit four (4) tires annually. No rims.
- ✓ **Trash** – Last resort! Non-donatable, unrepairable, non-recyclable items only.
- ✓ **Wood & Yard Trimmings** – Brush, shrubs, logs, stumps, grass, leaves, pallets, untreated lumber, etc. Plastic bags are prohibited.

** Materials may be added or removed as markets and vendors change.*

Prohibited Items*

- ✗ Ammunition
- ✗ Dead animals
- ✗ Hot ash
- ✗ Explosives
- ✗ Engine blocks (over 2')
- ✗ Friable asbestos
- ✗ Medical waste
- ✗ Radioactive waste
- ✗ Septic waste

**Additional materials may be added.*

Construction Debris

Construction and demolition debris are not considered household waste and are charged a tip fee. Materials include carpet, cabinets, countertops, drywall, treated lumber, wood, plastic fencing, and other items. Vehicles transporting these material must weigh in and out at the scale house and will need to unload at the transfer station area.



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW) DROP-OFF

RESIDENTIAL USE ONLY
SATURDAYS ONLY

April through November

8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Many of the products we use in our home may be hazardous and are considered HHW. Corrosive, flammable, reactive or toxic products pose risks if used, stored or disposed of improperly. Even green, natural cleaners can be hazardous. It is your responsibility to dispose of these products responsibly.

Before you go:

- Bring materials in original container or in secure, clearly labeled, leak-proof container.
- Make sure lids are tight.
- DON'T mix different or unknown materials together in the same container.

At the collection site:

You will be directed to the HHW drop-off area and asked to place your items on one of the chemist tables.

Onsite chemists will examine the materials. They may ask for your help in identifying any unknown or unlabeled materials that you have brought.



YES we accept:

- ✓ Automotive fluids (transmission fluid, brake fluid, etc)
- ✓ Batteries* (rechargeable, button, Lithium)
- ✓ Cleaners/powders
- ✓ Degreasers
- ✓ Fluorescent light bulbs/CFLs*
- ✓ Gasoline, diesel fuel
- ✓ Insecticides, pesticides, herbicides
- ✓ Paint
- ✓ Photography chemicals
- ✓ Rust removers
- ✓ Solvents/strippers
- ✓ Swimming pool chemicals
- ✓ Thermostats**

*Retail stores may offer free customer take-back programs. Visit KnowBeforeYouThrow.org for more information.

**Mercury thermometers and thermostats may be taken to the Howard County Health Department.

NO we cannot accept:

- ✗ Asbestos
- ✗ Commercial, industrial or medical waste
- ✗ Dioxin
- ✗ Explosives or Ammunition
- ✗ Kepones (an insecticide)
- ✗ PCB's
- ✗ Radioactive materials. Call the MDE Office of Radiological Health at 410-537-3300.

TIP: Use white vinegar, salt and water for surface cleaning and baking soda as a toilet cleaner.

TIP: Air dry or solidify paint by adding kitty litter, shredded newspaper or paint hardener. Once the paint is solid, place it out with your regular trash.

Visit HowardCountyMD.gov/HHW for more information about how you can be a responsible consumer.

