

Oklahoma Unwanted Pesticide Disposal Program

http://pested.okstate.edu/unwanted.htm



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When & Where?

8:00 am to 1:00 pm at all locations

DATE
COUNTY
CITY
LOCATION

Nov. 9, 2010 Woods County Alva Farmers COC Nov. 11, 2010 Jackson County Altus

Nov. 16, 2010 Kay County Blackwell Kay County F Nov. 18, 2010 Wagoner County Coweta

LOCATION Alva Farmers COOP Farmers Union COOP Kay County Fairgrounds Helena Chemical

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What is the Oklahoma Unwanted Pesticide Disposal program?

The Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food and Forestry are funding a program to help collect and properly dispose of unwanted pesticides that farmers/ranchers, homeowners, commercial applicators, or dealers may have. This will be an annual event; for future locations and dates check the website listed above.

What are unwanted pesticides?

Unwanted pesticides are pesticides that are unusable as originally intended for various reasons. Unwanted pesticides are leftover pesticides, pesticides that are no longer registered in the state of Oklahoma, pesticides that no longer have labels and pesticides that are no longer identifiable.

Who is eligible to participate and what does it cost?

Oklahoma commercial and non-commercial applicators and pesticide dealers may participate as well as Oklahoma farmers and ranchers. There is no cost for the first 2,500 pounds of pesticides brought in by a participant. Participants will however be charged \$1/pound for anything over 2,500 pounds except in the case of mercury based pesticides. Mercury based pesticides will cost participants \$2.22/pound for disposal. Clean Harbors will accept payment in the form of check or credit card only at the disposal site. No cash will be accepted!

• Liquid pesticide weighs about 10 pounds per gallon.

What are the steps to participate in the collection program?

Applicators, farmers, and ranchers are not required to pre-register. Dealers are asked to pre-register with Clean Harbors through OSU Pesticide Safety Education Program. After completing pre-registration requirements, if required, bring unwanted pesticides safely to one of the collection sites. Visit the OSU Pesticide Safety Education Program for information and how to register at http://pested.okstate.edu/unwanted.htm.

Why are dealers asked to pre-register?

Dealers are asked to pre-register due to the potential of large quantities coming from multiple dealers and/or multiple locations. This allows Clean Harbors to plan the appropriate resources to handle the quantity of pesticides that comes into the collections.

Will the department use my participation in the program as a means to prosecute for illegal management of pesticides?

No, the disposal program is a service program designed to remove unusable pesticides from storage and reduce the potential threat to public health and the environment. Participants in this program will not be prosecuted for illegal management practices.

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