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## Fall SAFE Disposal Events Start Soon!

### First Event is Saturday, September 14 in Queens; Events Give Residents an Easy Way to Dispose of Potentially Harmful Household Items

The New York City Department of Sanitation has announced its fall 2024 SAFE Disposal (Solvents, Automotive, Flammables, and Electronics) Events schedule. The events provide city residents an easy way to safely dispose of potentially harmful household products. The first event of the season will be held Saturday, September 14, at the Cunningham Park, Ball Field Parking Lot in Queens.

Household products such as pesticides, strong cleaners, mercury-containing devices, paints, automotive fluids, and medications may be brought to the drop-off events. Residents can also bring electronics, which may no longer be collected with trash and other recycling, due to a New York state law. **Only city residential waste will be accepted.**

The Department will hold five SAFE Disposal events this fall, one in each borough. All events are rain or shine, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The fall events are:

- **Saturday, September 14 - Queens**  
Cunningham Park, Ball Field Parking Lot  
Cars enter on Francis Lewis Boulevard between Union Turnpike and Grand Central Parkway
- **Sunday, September 22 - Manhattan**  
Union Square, North Plaza  
South side of 17th Street, between Park Avenue South and Broadway  
Cars approach from Park Avenue South & 20th Street
- **Sunday, September 29 - Brooklyn**  
Brooklyn Army Terminal, Pier 4 Parking Lot  
Cars line up at 63rd Street and 2nd Avenue (follow blue signs to Ferry Parking)  
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- **Saturday, October 19 – Staten Island**  
Midland Beach Parking Lot 8  
Father Capodanno Boulevard & Hunter Avenue  
Cars approach from Slater Boulevard



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- **Saturday, October 26 - Bronx**  
Orchard Beach Parking Lot  
Cars follow Park Drive to the end

To identify harmful products, look for items marked DANGER, WARNING, POISON, or CAUTION.

## Examples of Accepted Items

- Automotive products such as motor oil, transmission fluid, and auto batteries
- Personal care items like unwanted medicines or cosmetics
- Thermometers
- Syringes (clearly labeled and packaged in a “sharps” container or other leak proof, puncture-resistant container)
- Household products such as pesticides, paint, hazardous cleaners, compact fluorescent light bulbs
- Electronics, such as computers, televisions, and printers.

Materials collected are either recycled, blended for fuel, or sent to licensed hazardous waste treatment facilities for safe disposal.

For those unable to participate in these events, visit [www.nyc.gov/safedisposal](http://www.nyc.gov/safedisposal) or contact 311 for additional disposal options.

More information, with full list of accepted items, available at [nyc.gov/SafeEvents](http://nyc.gov/SafeEvents).