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The City of Burleson is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event on Saturday, Nov. 7, at the City's old municipal service center at 133 N. Main St., by the railroad tracks at Renfro Street and Main Street.

From 9 a.m.-11 a.m., household chemicals will be collected by the visiting Crud Cruiser from the City of Fort Worth's Environmental Collection Center (ECC). Only material from Burleson residents may be accepted, so participants are asked to bring their City water or solid waste bill as proof of residency. This is a first-come first-served event.

Business and commercial waste is not accepted. The Crud Cruiser will accept acids, aerosol cans, antifreeze, batteries (all kinds, including car batteries), brake fluid, cooking oil, craft chemicals, degreasers, drain cleaner, fertilizer, fluorescent light bulbs, compact fluorescent light bulbs (CFLs), herbicides, household chemicals, motor oil, paints & stains, paint thinners, pest strips, pesticides, pharmaceuticals, photo chemicals, pool chemicals, oil filters, solvents, transmission fluid and varnish.

The Crud Cruiser will not accept ammunition, asbestos, building materials, butane cylinders, electronics, explosives, medical waste, PCBs, propane cylinders, radioactive material, smoke detectors, tires and TVs.

If you are bringing liquid paint, sort it by type (latex, oil-based, lead-based). Keep chemicals in their original containers. Place broken or leaking containers in a second container of like material (glass for corrosives and metal for flammables). If the container has no label, but you know the contents, place a label that clearly describes the contents on that container. Put all household hazardous waste materials in the trunk of your vehicle.

Household hazardous waste collection events take place twice a year in Burleson. The City contracts with the City of Fort Worth environmental management department which operates the Crud Cruiser and the ECC.

If you can't wait until the City's Nov. 7 event, take your household hazardous waste to Fort Worth. The ECC is open Thursdays and Fridays, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., at 6400 Bridge St. There is no fee but residents must take a City of Burleson water or solid waste bill as proof of residency.

For more information on what the ECC will accept, call 817-392-EASY (3279). For more about Burleson's Nov. 7 event, call 817-426-9842 or e-mail bchafin@burlesontx.com.