Holiday Schedule

**THANKSGIVING DAY**
Thursday, November 28, 2019
Thurs. collection on Friday
Friday collection on Saturday

**NEW YEARS DAY**
Wednesday, January 1, 2020
Mon - Tues regular collection
Wed - Fri collection 1 day behind

**LABOR DAY**
Monday, September 7, 2020
Collection 1 day behind

**MEMORIAL DAY**
Monday, May 25, 2020
Collection 1 day behind

**INDEPENDENCE DAY**
Saturday, July 4, 2020
No change to schedule

**CHRISTMAS DAY**
Wednesday December 25, 2019
Mon - Tues regular collection
Wed - Fri collection 1 day behind

**DECEMBER 13, 2019**
Yard Waste Collection Ends

**MARCH 16, 2020**
Yard Waste Collection Begins

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**Holiday Schedule**

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**GFL Environmental USA Inc**

26999 Central Park Boulevard Ste 200
Southfield, MI 48076

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**Bloomfield Township Solid Waste Program Update**

**Household Hazardous Waste Event Cancelled**

The Township Board voted to eliminate the annual Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off Days previously held in October and May. Additionally, the E-Waste, Paper Shredding and Medication Disposal Event held in the spring was also cancelled. These services are being eliminated as part of a cost-cutting measure related to unfunded pension and OPEB liabilities. Township voters said no to the proposed Public Safety SAD on the August 6 ballot. As a result, these are the first steps in changes made to the Township operations to make room in the budget for these legally mandated costs.

There is an upcoming Hazardous Waste Disposal Event hosted by NoHaz communities on October 12, 2019 at the Oakland County Service Center Campus (1200 Building in Pontiac). Cost to Township Residents is $50.

For other disposal alternatives, see several options below or for a more extensive list including additional information on the NoHaz event visit the Solid Waste page on the Township website www.bloomfieldtwp.org.

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**What about Batteries?**

While household batteries (AA, C, 9V, etc) can be recycled, they should not be placed in the recycling container. **Batteries should be considered household hazardous waste and disposed of properly.**

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**Environmental Responsibility**

Protecting our environment is of vital importance. Preventing the illicit discharges (oils, fuels, paints and other liquids) from entering into ditches and storm sewers helps keep the rivers, lakes & streams that comprise the Rouge River Watershed clean. Please do your part by disposing of your waste properly.

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**How Do I Get Rid of Paint?**

**LATEX** paint does not need to be brought to the HHW event, it is not hazardous. Latex paint can be disposed of with your regular trash by drying out any paint in the can then leaving it at the curb with the top off.

To help dry the residual paint, fill the can with kitty litter or sand.

**OIL-BASED** paint is hazardous waste and cannot be placed in regular trash.

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**Household Hazardous Waste**

ERG Environmental Services
Livonia 734-437-9650

There is a nominal charge

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**Prescription Medication**

Bloomfield Twp Police Dept.
4200 Telegraph

Must be in a sealed container in a ziplock bag. No needles.

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**Important Dates:**

- December 13, 2019 - Yard Waste Collection ends
- March 16, 2020 - Yard Waste Collection begins

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**Paper Shredding:**

SOCRRA 995 Coolidge, Troy
248-288-5150

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**Electronic Waste**

Many stores such as Best Buy, Staples and Office Depot offer recycling.
Common Household Hazardous Waste

Kitchen
- Aerosol Cans
- Ammonia Based Cleaners
- Drain Cleaners
- Furniture Polish
- Oven Cleaners

Bathroom
- Alcohol Based Lotions
- Disinfectants
- Hair Relaxers
- Mercury Thermometers
- Nail Polish
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner
- Tub & Tile Cleaner

Garage
- Automatic Transmission Fluid
- Battery Acid
- Brake Fluid
- Diesel/Gasoline
- Gas/Oil Mixtures
- Motor Oil
- Antifreeze

Basement Workshop
- Oil Based Paint
- Paint Stripper
- Turpentine
- Varnish
- Wood Preserver
- Rust Remover
- Glue

Miscellaneous
- Fluorescent Light Bulbs
- Propane Tanks

Yard Waste Collection Ends

The yard waste season ends December 13, 2019 and will resume on March 16, 2020.

Please remember compostable materials (i.e. leaves, clippings, twigs) must be prepared in one of the following ways:

- Paper yard waste bags (available at local lawn, garden and hardware stores).
- 32-gallon cans marked “Yard Waste” or “Compost” (stickers are available at the Township Clerk’s office and reception desk).
- Trimmings/branches between 2” - 6” in diameter will be collected with the garbage (solid waste) provided they are bundled and tied. Bundles should be 4 feet maximum in length and a maximum of 60 pounds each.

If you have trimmings larger than 6” in diameter, contact either GFL at 844-464-3587 or a private tree service.

Plastic Bags and Recycling

Plastic bags and some plastic wraps are recyclable — **just not in your curbside bin!** Meaning, it’s not that used plastic bags, wraps and film can’t be recycled into new materials — they simply require a different collection system and processing equipment than many curbside recycling programs provide. Therefore, you need to recycle those bags at your local grocery store drop-offs. When you place these items in the curbside bin, they get wrapped on the equipment at the recycling facility, and workers have to stop the machines to climb on them to cut out the bags. And then they get landfilled. This also applies to using plastic bags to bag your recyclables! Recycling facilities cannot recycle stuff that you put inside a plastic bag. Not only does the bag itself not get recycled, it is also likely that the recyclables in the bag do not get recycled. Putting your recyclables in plastic bags requires extra man power at a recycling center as the workers at the transfer station have to open the bags and then separate the recyclables. Often, these bags will just be pulled from the stream and they’ll landfill it. So please don’t put plastic bags/wraps/film in your bin. But please DO recycle them. More than 18,000 retail locations across the country — such as large grocery chains, home improvement stores, Walmart, Target, etc. — provide collection bins for these plastic bags/.wraps/film, usually in the storefront close to the main entrance.

Solid Waste Program Update