

WASTELINE



Fauquier County Environmental Services

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Until Help Arrives



In an effort to better prepare staff to help co-workers and the public in emergencies, Fauquier County is implementing a mandatory employee training program called Until Help Arrives. This training is aligned with the nation-wide Stop the Bleed campaign, which seeks to train civilians on how to keep trauma victims alive until paramedics can arrive on scene. Staff will be taught basic techniques to treat traumatic injuries, as well as some emergency management strategies. Pictured above is (center) Lt. Matthew Shields of Fauquier County Department of Fire Rescue & Emergency Management, teaching a class section on chest wound treatment to County employees (L-R) Linda Yowell, Carrie Horvath, and Fred Brown.

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Road Flares



A common question asked by County residents is: How do I dispose of old road flares? Traditional road flares *are not accepted* at any *Environmental Service site*, at any time. It is also no longer recommended to place flares in water for disposal, as this creates an environmental hazard. Residents may safely burn road flares at home, outdoors on gravel or pavement, and dispose of the cold ashes as trash. LED road flares are a good alternative when replacing old flares, as they are less hazardous and may be disposed of at the Corral Farm Collection Site only, seven days a week.

DATES TO REMEMBER

8/6- Household Hazardous Waste Collection

8/20- Household Hazardous Waste Collection



Medical Waste Treatment



Steri-Green, a Florida-based medical waste disposal company, is offering a new method of disposing of “red bag” (potentially infectious) medical waste. Most red-bag waste is incinerated or heat-sterilized (autoclaved), which emits carbon and heat, and has the potential to release toxins into the air. Steri-Green’s process treats this waste at room temperature, using a small amount of electricity and a patented chemical process that shreds and disinfects the waste, reducing waste volume by 90%.

With the use of this technology, Steri-Green hopes to lower carbon emissions, reduce energy usage, and minimize landfill space needed for red-bag medical waste. Disposal costs are also estimated to be 20 to 50 percent less than incineration or autoclaving.

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CURRENT VACANCIES

Waste & Recyclable Material Collector

(Part-time Temporary)

Collections Site Lead

(Full-time Permanent 40hr/week)

Apply online at www.fauquiercounty.gov

Recycle Right: Glass



Recently, many localities around the country have been stopping collection of glass for recycling. Here in Fauquier County, Environmental Services still collects clean glass bottles and jars for recycling and beneficial use. In order to be acceptable for these purposes, glass must be as free of contaminants as possible. Please fully empty and rinse glass bottles and jars, and remove caps, lids and corks before placing in glass recycling containers. Metal caps and lids may be recycled as scrap metal, in the “small metal objects” containers available at every collection site. Please see a site attendant for assistance.

Safe Battery Disposal



The popularity of rechargeable electronics, such as cell phones and laptops, has caused an increase in lithium battery fires at waste and recycling facilities. When these items are discarded in trash or recycling, the batteries can create sparks or even explode when crushed. To be safe and environmentally responsible, please do not place *any* type of battery in with other recycling or trash.

“Dry-cell” household batteries of all types may be brought to any remote site or the Corral Farm Facility. Please tape all contact ends of your batteries before dropping them off. Car batteries and other “wet” lead acid batteries may be disposed of at the Corral Farm Facility **only**. Batteries may be dropped off seven days a week. Please speak to a site attendant for assistance.

Hours of Operation

***Summer hours in effect**

	Corral Farm	Remote Sites	Remington Site
Monday	7am-3pm	*11am-7pm	*2pm-7pm
Tuesday	7am-3pm	7am-3pm	Closed
Wednesday	7am-3pm	7am-3pm	10am-3pm
Thursday	7am-3pm	*11am-7pm	Closed
Friday	7am-3pm	7am-3pm	10am-3pm
Saturday	7am-3pm	7am-3pm	7am-3pm
Sunday	7am-3pm	7am-3pm	10am-3pm