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Fall Cleanup Recycling Day to be Held at Irmo High School

COLUMBIA, SC – Looking to safely clean out unused electronics, paper, household products and pesticides from your home? The South Carolina Department of Agriculture (SCDA) and Lexington/Richland Counties will hold a Fall Cleanup Recycling day on Saturday, October 20 from 9:00am to 1:00pm at Irmo High School, 6671 St. Andrews Road in Columbia.

The collection is for residents of Lexington and Richland Counties. Accepted products include:

- Electronics such as computers, printers, TVs, microwaves and telephones, with a limit of eight items per household.
- Paper to be shredded on site, with a limit of five boxes or bags per household.
- Scrap metal products, including appliances, bicycles, shelving and chairs.
- Hazardous household waste, including paint, aerosols, fertilizer, fire extinguishers, mercury and batteries, with a limit of eight gallons per household.
- Pesticides will be accepted from any South Carolina resident or farmer, with a limit of 2500 pounds of solid waste and 300 gallons of liquid waste. No straight fertilizer will be accepted, except for weed and feed.
- Rinstate will not be accepted.
- A hazardous material company will be on site to properly dispose of the materials collected.
- Materials should be transported to the collection event in sturdy boxes with newspaper stuffed between the containers to prevent spills.
- Leave items in the original containers.
- Workers will be on hand to unload vehicles, and citizens will be asked to stay in the car.
- A representative from SCDA will be on site to monitor pesticide collection and disposal and will have final authority on acceptance of products.
- Collection events may be cancelled due to inclement weather and will be posted on SCDA's website (www.agriculture.sc.gov). Possible makeup dates will be announced at a later date.

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