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Preventing "Pool"-lution

You can help prevent water pollution in Frisco by dechlorinating your pool water before draining it!

Per city ordinance, drained pool water must not contain high concentrations of pool chemicals. To dechlorinate your pool, allow water to sit in the sun for 3 days. After water has been dechlorinated. it may be drained down the alley or street.

Learn more about water pollution prevention in Frisco at FriscoTexas.gov/Stormwater or call 972-292-5800.



Flammable Waste

Safely dispose of flammable items like lighter fluid, tiki torch oil, matches and gasoline during *Special Drop-Off Hours* (Wed 2-6 p.m. and Sat 8 a.m.- 1 p.m.).

Learn more about Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) disposal at www.FriscoTexas.gov/HHW.

For safety, please do not put flammable items in either cart.





The Reuse Center

Dropping off HHW? Don't forget to check out the Reuse Center at 6616 Walnut Street. Bring your ID and a matching, current copy of your City of Frisco water bill when you visit.

Open during *Special Drop-Off Hours*, you can pick up gently-used household products FOR FREE when you sign the waiver form.

Typically, the Reuse Center has paint, household cleaners, lawn products, pool chemicals, and more available for free reuse. Supplies may vary.

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Chunk Your Junk



August 14, 2021 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. At 6616 Walnut Street

Map and more information available at www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk

Event is for Frisco residents only.

ID and Frisco water bill with matching address are REQUIRED to drop off all items.

This is a do-it-yourself disposal event.

Residents must unload all of their own items, EXCEPT for HHW items.

Please do not get out of your car in the HHW disposal area.

Please have items ready in the trunk, so an attendant can unload them.

Event entry will be from southbound First Street only.

All other entrances will be CLOSED. Please consult map online at www.FriscoTexas.gov/ChunkYourJunk.

Residents must be in line by 11:30 a.m. to receive service.

Extremely long lines are expected at this event. Gates must close at 12 p.m., regardless of any line that remains.

Residents may bring the following items for safe disposal, recycling or donation.

To help residents move quickly through the event, items are listed in the order which they can be unloaded.

- 1. Prescription medications *
- 2. Cardboard, broken down and bundled
- 3. Plastic bags and Styrofoam
- 4. Paper shredding **

- 5. Yard waste / untreated wood
- 6. Metal / appliances ***
- 7. All items for trash
- 8. Refrigerators***

- 9. HHW / Electronics ***
- 10. Gently-used donations for Medina Children's Home
- *Remove all prescription medications ahead of time, and place them in a single bag. For the safety of our staff, please DO NOT bring needles or syringes.

 NO liquid prescriptions except for cough medicine containing Codeine. A Frisco police officer will be on site to supervise disposal.
- **A free paper shredding service will be provided. There is a FOUR BOX LIMIT per vehicle (max box size 12"W x 15.5"L x 10.5"H). No commercial accounts/quantities accepted. Note: This same service is provided on the 2nd Saturday of every month for a small charge, with no waiting in line.
- Driver's license and Frisco water bill with matching address are required to dispose of all items, including HHW, E-waste and refrigerators/Freon.

 Disposal charges are billed to Frisco water account for appliances with Freon (\$40). Limit two (2) TVs and no more than 50 total pounds of paint/HHW.

PRE-SORT BROKEN DOWN CARDBOARD, PLASTIC BAGS AND STYROFOAM before arrival. Load car from #10 to #1, for faster unloading at each station. **HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW)** includes household chemicals, paint, gasoline/oil, batteries, lightbulbs, etc.

UNDER SEVERE/DANGEROUS WEATHER CONDITIONS Chunk Your Junk may be "paused." For up-to-date information, please call 972-292-5900.

THE NEXT CHUNK YOUR JUNK will take place on Saturday, November 6 at 6616 Walnut Street.

APARTMENT RESIDENTS may not use Chunk Your Junk, but may use Special Drop-Off Hours with their driver's license and a current Frisco rent statement.

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BETWEEN CYJ EVENTS

Reserve your time slot at *FriscoTexas.gov/HHW* to take advantage of chemical and electronics drop-off ON YOUR SCHEDULE!

Bring items in *GREEN* to 6616 Walnut Street Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. and Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Bring items in **BLUE** to 6616 Walnut Street Wednesday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. (October - February) Wednesday 2 p.m. - 6 p.m. (March - September) and Saturday 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Take items in **RED** to the Custer Transfer Station at 9901 Custer Road in Plano Monday - Saturday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

We accept items in *ORANGE*ONLY during Chunk Your Junk events.

Note: Some local pharmacies may accept prescription medications for disposal.
Please call them ahead to verify.



Life in the "Fast Lane"

Take advantage of chemical and electronics drop-off on your schedule. No waiting in line! Reserve your drop-off time with Fast-Lane Fridays.

This is the same excellent service the Environmental Collection Center normally offers during *Special Drop-Off Hours*, but without the wait. Residents must show ID and current City of Frisco water bill to drop off electronics and household chemicals (HHW).

Reserve your own time slot today at *FriscoTexas.gov/HHW*.



For many of us, 2020 put our culinary skills, creativity and cookware to the ultimate test. If it's time to replace your worn pots and pans, please DO NOT put them in the blue recycling cart.

Although most are made of recyclable metals, pots and pans require a special recycling process separate from the blue cart. Please drop them off at The Environmental Collection Center with your HHW during *Special Drop-Off Hours* (Wednesdays 2-6 p.m. and Saturdays 8 a.m.- 1 p.m.).



The Small Stuff



When your carts flip upside-down during regular service, the wind can easily blow lightweight recyclables into the alley or street.

Please bag (with a loose tie) all small recycling items before placing them into your blue cart.

"Doo" the Right Thing

Did you know that pet waste can take an entire year to decompose naturally? In the meantime, it is acidic enough to kill your grass and can transmit harmful diseases. For example, dog waste left on the ground can easily spread parvovirus and parasites to other dogs.

Please pick up after your pet and put bagged pet waste in the black trash cart to prevent the flow of pollutants into Frisco's creeks and ponds.

Let's be good neighbors! Frisco is part of a shared watershed, which means our city's stormwater may impact the water sources of many communities downstream.



Subscribe to the WaterWise E-Newsletter for Frisco's Weekly Watering Recommendations, based on data from Frisco's own weather station. We take the guesswork out of watering! Know exactly when and how much to water your lawn with weekly watering advice straight to your inbox.

"Go blonde" this summer. When the heat is too much to handle, your lawn naturally slows its growth and turns "blonde" to conserve moisture. Unlike "going blonde" at the hair salon, seasonal dormancy is a natural process and is not harmful to your lawn. In fact, it might even save you money.

Forget the fertilizer. Applying chemical fertilizer in the middle of summer works against your lawn's natural dormancy process by forcing the grass to grow. This puts unnecessary stress on the root structure. Fertilize in the spring or fall instead.

Leave grass clippings on the lawn to add extra nutrients and conserve soil moisture. If you do bag them, use a compostable paper yard waste bag (not plastic). Per city ordinance, yard waste should never be blown into the street or storm drain.

Prevent soil moisture evaporation and control weeds by adding a fresh layer of mulch to your landscape. Remember to keep the "root flares" of your trees exposed to help prevent disease and rot. Frisco residents may purchase mulch at a discount from Texas Pure Products at the Custer Transfer \$\text{Station}\$ (990) Custer Road).

Plant native and well-adapted perennials, shrubs, trees, and grasses. These "Texas tough" plants are heat and drought tolerant, and most require less seasonal maintenance.



REDUCE YOUR WATER USE AND SAVE MONEY THIS SUMMER!



KNOW WHEN TO WATER

Lawn watering is permitted one day per week (if necessary) on your recycling/trash service day.



BEAT THE HEAT

Water before 10am or after 6pm. Watering during the heat of the day wastes water to evaporation.



FREE SPRINKLER CHECKUP

Don't miss out! Schedule yours today. Call 972-292-5800

or use the myFRISCO app.



WATERWISE WORKSHOPS

Register today at FriscoTexas.gov/Workshops.

Learn about irrigation, landscape design and more!



Subscribe to the WaterWise E-Newsletter and receive weekly lawn watering advice based on data from Frisco's own weather station. Scan QR code to join the WaterWise mailing list today!



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