

Pesticide Container and Ag Plastic Disposal in Wisconsin

Protect Your Air

Burning ag plastic can release toxic and potentially cancer-causing chemicals, such as dioxins and furans, into the air, where they can be inhaled by humans and animals and deposited in soil and surface water.

Protect Your Land

Residue from burning ag plastics can contaminate the soil and groundwater and can enter the human food chain through crops and livestock. In addition, certain chemicals released by burning can accumulate in the fats of animals and then in humans as we consume meat, fish, and dairy products. Because agricultural burning often occurs near food sources, it is particularly important to reduce this health hazard to food safety.

Disposal and Reuse of Pesticide Containers

It is illegal to reuse, dispose of, or store a pesticide container in a manner inconsistent with label directions.

For more information contact:

Clean Sweep Program

cleansweep.wi.gov

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Wisconsin DNR Recycling Program

Search “Ag Plastics” at dnr.wi.gov

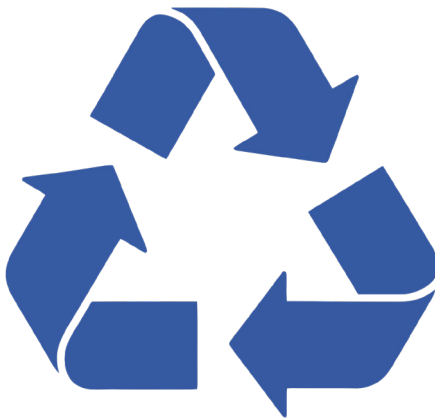
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Recycling Options in Wisconsin

1 On-Farm Collection: Revolution Plastics

- **How it works:** Farmers who generate significant amounts of plastic (approx. 3,000–4,000 lbs./year) can qualify for a [free dumpster](#) on their property. Smaller farms are encouraged to “co-op” and share a dumpster with neighbors.
- **Accepted Materials:**
 - *Silage bags and bale wrap
 - Grain bags and bunker covers (no nylon scrim)
 - Oxygen barrier film
 - Irrigation tape and greenhouse film
- **Contact:** Call (844) 490-7873 or visit RevolutionCompany.com to request a pickup.



2 County Drop-Off Programs

Several Wisconsin counties host dedicated ag plastic collection days while other counties sponsor agriculture chemical-focused Clean Sweep events. To find specific information in your county, use a search engine to find “ag plastic disposal in [your county here]”.

Clean Sweep collections will handle ag chemical containers IF there is still ag chemical inside the container. Empty containers should be handled per the label’s disposal instructions.



3 Read the Label for Disposal Instructions

All pesticide containers are required to list disposal instructions on their labels. Some pesticide containers can be triple rinsed, or pressure rinsed, and disposed of in common waste receptacles. Always consult the label before handling.

4 The Ag Container Recycling Council (ACRC)

The ACRC program accepts rigid high-density polyethylene (HDPE) containers (55 gallons and smaller) which previously held professional use agricultural chemicals including pesticides, animal health, specialty pest control, micronutrient, biologicals, fertilizer, and/or adjuvant products.

Learn more at agrecycling.org.

