

## Detroit River Canadian Cleanup Offers Prizes for Household Mercury Items

### **Did you know that mercury is toxic to people and the environment?**

Sixty-seven percent of sportfish consumption advisories in the Detroit and St. Clair Rivers and Lake St. Clair are a result of elevated mercury levels in fish. Direct exposure to mercury can be harmful to your health.

### **Mercury is found in common household items** such as:

- ▶ Glass fever thermometers with silver liquid (not red or blue liquid)
- ▶ Round, non-digital thermostats
- ▶ Button cell batteries
- ▶ Fluorescent tube light bulbs
- ▶ Compact fluorescent light bulbs

If these items break or aren't disposed of at a hazardous waste depot, your family and the environment could be exposed to mercury.

The Detroit River Canadian Cleanup wants to help you reduce the risks and dispose of your mercury items safely. **If you dispose of your mercury thermometer at the Household Chemical Waste Depot during April 2004, we'll replace it with a mercury-free digital model for free** (limited quantities available). **Everyone who brings any household mercury item to the Household Chemical Waste Depot during April will receive a gift pack** and will be entered into a contest to win great prizes including a DVD player and a garden centre gift certificate.

**For more information visit [www.drccc.info/mercury](http://www.drccc.info/mercury).**

### Household Chemical Waste Depot

**Where:** 3460 North Service Road, Windsor  
East of Central Avenue, north of EC Row Expressway  
**When:** Starting April 3, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday  
From 8:00 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.  
**Phone:** 1-800-563-3377

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