Warm sunshine, fresh air and grass ₹ that's finally green again: it's the perfect combination to lure us outside after a Flong winter. But the shooing and swatting always seems to start after just a few minutes outdoors, and can quickly turn enjoying nature into aches, pains and itches.

Bugs that bite and sting do more than ruin summer fun, they can cause skin irritations and serious allergic reactions, spread diseases and can lead to infections. The experts at leading pest control company, Orkin Canada, offer the following tips to keep these bothersome bugs at bay:

 Mosquitos, bees and wasps are often attracted to dark colours. Stick to light coloured clothing, but

stay away from bright or floral prints, which look like delightful meals for pollinators. Also avoid tight clothing, as



puncture right through fabric.

 Eliminate standing Mosquitos thrive during summer months because they have plenty

of access to moisture to breed - often right in your backyard. This includes pet water bowls, plant pots, ornamental pots

most pests can and bird baths. Reduce as many sources of stagnant water as possible.

• Work to keep these pests outdoors. Install window screens and seal any cracks and crevices in your home's foundation to help prevent easy entry. If your property is prone to wasps, work with your pest control provider to develop a comprehensive management program which should run from spring through late fall. Contact your pest management provider if pests start to wear out their welcome this season.



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Please contact us as soon as possible if you have any accessibility needs at Halton Region events or meetings.

Notice of Halton Region's 2014 Comprehensive **Employment Survey**

The Regional Municipality of Halton will be conducting its Annual Comprehensive Employment Survey in 2014. The data collected is vital for monitoring the Region's economic health, as well as aiding in policy and decision making. It is essential background information for forecasting and planning the Region's infrastructure and services for the residents and businesses of Halton.

Between May and September 2014, a team of surveyors from the Region's Planning Services Division will visit each and every business establishment in Halton to gather information about the number of employees working at each location and the type of employment that is taking place there.

The surveyors will wear a Region of Halton shirt and cap, each bearing the Halton Region Logo, as well as a visible photo ID card that identifies them as part of the "Halton Employment Survey Team 2014". All data collected from the survey will be grouped together and released to the public as statistical highlights of economic and employment patterns and trends. Individual business information will not be identifiable or published in the results of the Region's survey. It will be shared with the Local Municipalities and used for planning and municipal related purposes. The 2014 Employment Survey Results Report will be published in early 2015.

The success of this important survey depends upon the assistance and co-operation of the Region's business community. If you have any questions or comments regarding the survey, please contact Planning Services at 905-825-6000 ext. 7686

2014 Rain Barrel



Truckload Sales Events

Part of Halton's water efficiency program

Date	Location
Saturday, May 24, 2014	Halton Regional Centre, (enter off North Service Road)
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	1151 Bronte Road, Oakville
Saturday, May 31, 2014	Robert C. Austin Operations Centre,
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	11620 Trafalgar Road, Georgetown
Saturday, June 7, 2014	Milton GO Train Station Parking Lot
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	780 Main Street East (Main, west of Thompson), Milton
Saturday, June 14, 2014	Mapleview Mall, (lower parking lot by the Bay)
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.	900 Maple Avenue, Burlington

Halton residents only (must provide proof of Halton Region residency)

New this year: optional online pre-payment and home delivery service available directly through the supplier. For more information, visit **Halton.ca/rainbarrels**.

Helping Technology Business Entrepreneurs Grow

The Halton Region Small Business Centre works to empower small and medium-sized enterprises and give them the tools to achieve success. Halton's Regional Innovation Centre, HalTech, complements the services provided by the Small Business Centre. HalTech aims to connect innovators, technology based businesses, entrepreneurs and researchers with a network of professionals who can help them take concepts from idea to reality. HalTech's services include advisory services, market research, access to funding, education, knowledge & skills development and network access. Learn more about HalTech by visiting haltech.ca.



Gary Carr Regional Chair

Meetings at Halton Region

June 10 9:30 a.m. Health & Social Services Cttee. June 11 9:30 a.m. Planning & Public Works Cttee.

June 11 1:30 p.m. Admin & Finance Cttee. June 18 9:30 a.m. Regional Council

Meetings can be viewed at www.halton.ca/meetings