

TOWN OF WASHINGTON, NEW HAMPSHIRE RECYCLING ORDINANCE

ORDINANCE # 1989-5-1 as adopted by vote of town meeting June 1, 1989, as amended on February 15, 2001, June 14, 2005, April 30, 2009 and September 26, 2019

Section A: Purpose

The Town of Washington shall administer and maintain a solid waste and recycling facility hereinafter referred to as the Town of Washington Transfer Station. Its purpose is for the safe and economical disposal of solid waste within the Town of Washington and to comply with the State of New Hampshire solid waste rules. The Board of Selectmen were authorized in March of 2005 under Article #13 of the official Town Warrant to establish and amend fees as provided in RSA 41:91-a.

Section B: Management

The Public Works Director shall be responsible for the overall management of the Recycling Center. The Operator/Weigh master of the recycling center shall be responsible for directing the proper placement and separation of solid waste pursuant to this ordinance and the State of New Hampshire solid waste rules. All waste brought into the recycling center shall be placed in designated storage containers or at sites specified by the operator of the facility. A list of permissible wastes and recyclables accepted at the facility can be obtained from the operator of the recycling center.

Section C: General Admission

Per RSA 149-M: 17, use of the recycling center shall be restricted to residents and property owners within the Town of Washington. Only wastes generated within the Town of Washington will be accepted at the facility. Users of the facility must display a valid sticker in a window on the left side of the vehicle, which may be obtained from the operator after showing proof of property ownership or residence in Washington. Proof of residence or property ownership shall include the following, a tax bill clearly showing the user name and address, or a valid NH driver's license with Washington shown as the legal address. Guest of residents wishing to use the facility must see the attendant or Public Works Director for a permission form prior to entering the facility.

Section D: Prohibited Waste

The Town of Washington Recycling Center is not permitted to receive any of the following types of waste: asbestos waste; explosive waste; contained gaseous waste; liquid waste; infectious waste; mercury added products; animal carcasses; contaminated soils and other absorbent media; and any waste generated outside the borders of New Hampshire.

It shall be a violation of this ordinance for a non-resident or any other person to place household waste that is not generated in the Town of Washington into a municipal trash receptacle located within town boundaries.

Section E: Authorized Waste

The Town of Washington Recycling Center is limited to receiving the below listed types of solid waste only:

WASHINGTON TRANSFER STATION ACCEPTED WASTES

- **HOUSEHOLD LANDFILLED WASTES**
ANY WASTES NOT LISTED BELOW MUST BE PLACED IN THE TRASH COMPACTOR FOR DISPOSAL
- **MIXED PAPER**
NEWSPRINT AND INSERTS, MAGAZINES, OFFICE PAPER, JUNK MAIL, CATALOGS, BOX BOARD (KITCHEN CARDBOARD) ENVELOPES, STATIONARY
NOTE: FOR YOUR OWN PROTECTION, DO NOT PLACE ANY PERSONAL PAPERS LIKE BANK STATEMENTS OR CREDIT CARD INFORMATION IN THIS CONTAINER. PLEASE DISPOSE OF THEM IN THE HOUSEHOLD TRASH.
- **CARDBOARD**
ALL CORUGATED CARDBOARD EXCEPT FOIL FACE AND WAX COATED CARDBOARD
- **CO-MINGLED CONTAINERS**
- **STEEL CANS, ONLY PLASTIC CONTAINERS MARKED (HDPE) #2 AND (PETE) #1, ALL ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CANS AND CONTAINERS, CRUSHED FOIL, CRUSHED PIE PLATES**
- **GLASS CONTAINERS**
ALL COLORED GLASS AND CONTAINERS, NO CERAMICS, PORCELIN, PLATE GLASS, POTTERY, PYREX OR WINDSHEILD GLASS ALLOWED
- **FLUORESCENT BULBS**
PLEASE SEE ATTENDANT WITH THESE ITEMS FOR PROPER PACKAGING IN CARDBOARD BOXES, FLUORESCENT TUBES MUST NOT BE BROKEN AND DO CONTAIN MERCURY.
- **USED OIL FOR RECYCLE**
NO CONTAMINATED OIL i.e.: GASOLINE, ANTIFREEZE, SOLVENTS, and WATER
- **USED ANTI-FREEZE FOR RECYCLE**
DO NOT MIX WITH MOTOR OIL, SOLVENTS OR ANY OTHER CONTAMINATES
- **BATTERIES**
Automotive Batteries; Button Batteries; Rechargeable Batteries including Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), Lithium Ion (Li-Ion), Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn), and Small Sealed Lead Acid (SSLA/Pb).
Note: Common alkaline batteries are trash.
- **SCRAP METAL**
ANY LIGHT IRON NOT CONTAMINATED WITH WOOD, RUBBER OR PLASTIC.
REFRIGERATORS NEED TO BE KEPT ASIDE FOR CFC REMOVAL, SEE ATTENDANT
- **PROPANE TANKS**
20# GAS GRILL TANKS, AND DISPOSABLE HAND HELD TORCH TANKS, PLEASE SEE ATTENDANT FOR PROPER COLLECTION OF THESE ITEMS
- **CONSTRUCTION - DEMOLITION DEBRIS**
PAINTED WOOD, MASONRY DEBRIS INCLUDING BRICK AND CONCRETE, ASPHALT SHINGLES AND TAR PAPER, STRIPPED PORCELON TOILETBOWLS, AND WOOD FURNITURE
THERE IS A FEE FOR THESE ITEMS.

ABSOLUTLEY NO ASBESTOS, INSULATION, PLASTIC, STEEL OR GARBAGE

- RUBBER TIRES
AUTOMOTIVE AND TRUCK TIRES, **NO** TIRES WITH RIMS PLEASE
- USED PAINT FOR RECYCLE
OIL BASED PAINTS, OIL AND WATER BASED STAINS, VARNISHES,
DECKING AND WOOD PRESERVATIVES AND POLYURETHANE BASED COATINGS
These items are collected during the Annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection Only!
- USED OIL FILTERS
ANY "SPIN ON" STYLE DRAINED OIL FILTERS FROM CARS AND TRUCKS
- COMPOST
LEAVES AND GRASS CLIPPINGS OR ANY OTHER YARD WASTES OTHER THAN BRUSH
- TEXTILES
ANY GOOD USED CLOTHING OR SHOES (NO UNDER GARMENTS PLEASE) MAY BE PLACED
IN THE PLANET AID CONTAINER
- CATHODE RAY TUBES TV MONITORS
COMPUTER AND TELEVISION MONITORS. SEE ATTENDENT FOR PROPER PLACEMENT OF
THESE ITEMS. THESE ITEMS CAN NOT BE PLACED IN THE LANDFILL.
- ELECTRONICS
VCR'S, STEREOS, CD PLAYERS, PC KEYBOARDS, COMUTER HARDDRIVES, FAX MACHINES
AND COPIERS. SEE ATTENDENT FOR PROPER PLACEMENT OF THESE ITEMS.
- LANDFILLED DEMOLITION
FIBERGLASS INSULATION, STYROFOAM INSULATION, BULKY ITEMS IE: COUCHES &
CHAIRS, MATTRESS & BOXSPRINGS, TREATED WOOD, SHEETROCK
- BRUSH
CLEAN BRUSH AND WOOD UNDER 5" DIAMETER MAY BE PLACED IN THE BRUSH PILE
- MERCURY CONTAINING DEVICES

Thermometers	Silver colored liquid in glass tube
Thermostats	All non-electric models
Fluorescent Lights	Light bulbs in the form of long or curved tubes
Button Batteries	Button shaped batteries usually found in watches, calculators, toys, greeting cards, musical books, hearing aids and pagers.
Alkaline and Carbon Batteries	Prior to 1994 and foreign manufactured
Latex Paints	Prior to 1991
Shoes that Light Up	Prior to 1994
Pilot Light Sensors	Some gas appliances such as stoves, ovens, clothes dryers, water heaters, furnaces and space heaters
Electrical Switches and Relays	Some chest freezers, pre-1972 washing machines, sump pumps, electric space heaters, clothes irons, silent light switches and automatic car hood and trunk lights
Contact Lens Solution	May contain Thimerosal or other mercury compounds
Nasal Spray	May contain Thimerosal/phenyl mercuric acetate
Mercurochrome	An old time antiseptic for cuts and scrapes
High Intensity Discharge (HID) Lamps	Blue tinted automotive headlamps

Neon Lamps	Except the colors red, orange and pink
Gauges	Barometers, manometers, blood pressure and vacuum gauges only with silver colored liquid

- ANIMAL FECAL WASTES

Double bag and place these wastes into the #1 Landfill demolition container. DO NOT PLACE THESE WASTES IN THE HOUSEHOLD COMPACTOR.

Section F: Commercial Haulers

A commercial hauler is anyone who regularly disposes of solid waste at the recycling center on behalf of others. Commercial trash haulers must be licensed by the Town and are restricted to bringing in only those wastes that are generated in the Town of Washington. A permit application is obtained from the recycling center manager and approved by the Board of Selectmen. A permit involves the signed acceptance of the following understandings and obligations:

1. The Town of Washington recycling ordinance applies to the operations of a commercial hauler.
2. All waste is to be separated and deposited in accordance with the recycling ordinance and the State of New Hampshire Solid Waste Rules.
3. No waste is to be brought into the recycling center that does not originate in the Town of Washington.
4. All Construction and Demolition wastes will be weighed on the vehicle scale at the Transfer Station.
5. A fee will be charged for Construction and Demolition wastes accepted at the facility as provided under RSA 41:91-a.
6. The Board of Selectmen can withdraw a commercial haulers permit, but only by letter and for violations of this ordinance.

Section G: Hours of Operation

The recycling center shall be open in accordance with the following schedule:

Saturdays: 9:00am to 5:00pm

Sundays: Summer Hours 11:00am to 7:00pm

Winter Hours 11:00am to 5:00pm

Summer hours of operation are between June 15 and September 15

Wednesdays: 10:00am to 6:00pm

Holidays: The Transfer Station will be open Mondays (using Sunday operating hours) on the following holidays when they are observed on a Monday: Memorial Day, Labor Day, and Independence Day.

The Transfer Station will be closed on Christmas Day.

Section H: Supervision

The recycling center Operator/Weigh master will limit entry to authorized users, direct the proper placement of waste, reject any category of waste not acceptable under this ordinance and may direct removal of waste placed at other than the designated sites.

Section I: Enforcement

The Board of Selectmen or their designee and the Town of Washington police department shall enforce this ordinance.

Section J: Penalties

Entering the recycling center at other than during official hours of operation, leaving waste at the site when the recycling center is closed, disposing of waste not generated within the town of Washington or failure to comply with the provisions of this ordinance as set forth herein shall be punishable as a violation subject to fine not to exceed \$275.00 dollars, pursuant to RSA 676:17.

Section K: Effective Date of Ordinance

June 1, 1989 as adopted by vote of town meeting, March 14, 1989 and amended AS AMENDED ON FEBRUARY 15, 2001 and June 14, 2005 and April 30, 2009 and September 26, 2019.

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