

**Upper Township Public Works  
Residents Information - 2012**

**Trash and Recycling Collection Holiday Schedule 2012**

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|-----------|---------------------------------|------------------------|
| Monday    | <b>January 2<sup>nd</sup></b>   | New Years Day          |
| Monday    | <b>January 16<sup>th</sup></b>  | Martin Luther King Day |
| Monday    | <b>February 20<sup>th</sup></b> | Presidents Day         |
| Friday    | <b>April 6<sup>th</sup></b>     | Good Friday            |
| Monday    | <b>May 28<sup>th</sup></b>      | Memorial Day *         |
| Wednesday | <b>July 4<sup>th</sup></b>      | Independence Day       |
| Monday    | <b>September 3<sup>rd</sup></b> | Labor Day *            |
| Monday    | <b>October 8<sup>th</sup></b>   | Columbus Day           |
| Monday    | <b>November 12<sup>th</sup></b> | Veteran's Day          |
| Thursday  | <b>November 22<sup>nd</sup></b> | Thanksgiving Day       |
| Friday    | <b>November 23<sup>rd</sup></b> | Thanksgiving Holiday   |
| Tuesday   | <b>December 25<sup>th</sup></b> | Christmas Day          |

**Trash and Recycling Holiday Collection Requirements**

If your TRASH AND RECYCLING COLLECTION DAY falls on one of the HOLIDAYS in the schedule above the following will occur. Your household TRASH will be collected on our NEXT WORKING DAY and you will be required to hold your RECYCLING MATERIALS until your next REGULAR COLLECTION DAY.

\* Regular collection of Trash and Recycling WILL be collected on Memorial Day, and Labor Day

**Trash and Recycling Collection Requirements**

**Household Trash**

Your household trash must be in a sealed watertight container [trash can with lid] placed to the curb prior to 6:00 a.m. the morning of your collection day, but not prior to 5:00 p.m. the day before your collection day. Trash containers must be in good condition and have a minimum capacity of 20 gallons and a maximum capacity of 45 gallons. The containers must have removable lids, external handles, and must weigh 50 pounds or less when full. Trash containers that do not conform to the requirements listed above will be tagged with orange condemned notices, a letter will be hand delivered by the Sanitation Inspector with an explanation of the violation, and what is required to correct the violation.

**Recycling Materials**

Your Recycling Materials must be placed to the curb by 6:00 a.m. the morning of your collection day but not prior to 5:00 p.m. the day before your collection day. Your recycling containers must comply with the same requirements as your trash containers. Recycling containers must be in good condition, have removable lids, external handles, have a minimum capacity of 20 gallons and a maximum capacity of 45 gallons, and must not weigh over 50 pounds when full.

## **Recycling Materials must be handled in the following manner.**

### **Commingled Recycling Materials**

Your CLEAR, BROWN and GREEN glass bottles and jars, ALUMINUM cans, STEEL [TIN] cans, including empty aerosol cans\*, and PLASTIC bottles and jugs\*\* must be placed in a recycling container for collection. We only want empty, clean household products containers.

\*Empty Aerosol Cans from household products only! NO PAINT CANS of any type.

\*\*Empty Plastic Household Containers must have a #1 through #7 RECYCLING SYMBOL on them.

### **Mixed Paper Recycling Materials**

Your NEWSPAPERS [with inserts], MAGAZINES, CORRUGATED CARDBOARD\*, OFFICE PAPER, JUNK MAIL, and KRAFT [brown] PAPER BAGS must be placed in a recycling container, a brown paper bag or a corrugated cardboard box for collection. Shredded paper may be placed in clear plastic bags for identification and collection. Styrofoam and plastic wrap must be removed from cardboard boxes prior to collection.

**\*CORRUGATED CARDBOARD IS BROWN IN COLOR AND HAS A LAYER OF CORRUGATION BETWEEN THE OUTSIDE AND INSIDE LAYERS. THIS IS THE ONLY TYPE OF CARDBOARD WE COLLECT TO BE RECYCLED.**

**We DO NOT RECYCLE the following paper products: pizza boxes, white or gray chipboard boxes [cereal boxes, clothing boxes, tissue boxes, shiny beer boxes, shiny soda boxes etc], paper towels, cardboard tubes, paper plates, plastic coated boxes, tissue paper or gift wrapping paper of any kind.**

**CLEAR PLASTIC BAGS MAY BE USED FOR SHREDDED PAPER BUT ARE PROHIBITED AS A CONTAINER FOR ANY OTHER RECYCLING MATERIALS.**

### **Mixed Rigid Plastics**

We now collect mixed rigid plastics to be recycled. The plastics are collected late during the day of bulk collections or on the day following the scheduled bulk trash collections. All plastic buckets, laundry baskets, crates, trashcans, lawn and patio furniture, toys, playhouses, coolers, shelving, flowerpots, car bumpers and plastic parts, bed liners, and five-gallon water bottles.

### **Electronics**

We now collect electronic devices to be recycled. The electronics are collected late during the day of bulk collections or on the day following the scheduled bulk trash collections. All TV's, computer monitors and computer accessories, VCR's, fax machines, telephones and phone systems, electric typewriters and word processors, CD players, and cell phones are now designated recycling materials.

## Used Motor Oil and Used Anti-Freeze

USED MOTOR OIL and USED ANTI FREEZE must be placed in a one [1] gallon plastic container with a screw on lid [water jug, milk jug, anti freeze jug, detergent jug etc]. Place your one-gallon plastic containers of used motor oil and anti-freeze, with a screw on lid, next to your commingled recycling materials for collection.

WE WILL NOT COLLECT USED MOTOR OIL OR USED ANTIFREEZE UNLESS IT IS HANDLED IN THE MANNER DESCRIBED ABOVE.

PLEASE REMEMBER that the way you place your TRASH and RECYCLING MATERIALS out for collection has a direct effect on your NEIGHBORHOOD. Loose trash and recycling materials can be blown all over the place. If you do not use cans with lids for your trash it can be spread all over by animals. PLEASE follow the guidelines in this document and help keep our Municipality clean.

## Residential Paper Shredding

Paper shredding is for residential use only and is available on Bulk Trash days at the Public Works Yard in Tuckahoe from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Paper should be removed from binders and envelopes. The amount to be shredded shall be limited to one “banker” box or two paper bags. No paper will be accepted from businesses.

## Bulk Waste Schedule 2012

|                          |                            |
|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| January 9 <sup>th</sup>  | July 2 <sup>nd</sup>       |
| February 6 <sup>th</sup> | August 6 <sup>th</sup>     |
| March 5 <sup>th</sup>    | September 10 <sup>th</sup> |
| April 2 <sup>nd</sup>    | October 15 <sup>th</sup>   |
| May 7 <sup>th</sup>      | November 5 <sup>th</sup>   |
| June 4 <sup>th</sup>     | December 3 <sup>rd</sup>   |

## Bulk Waste Collection Requirements

Your HOUSEHOLD BULKY WASTE, carpets, furniture, appliances and other large household items are collected on the days indicated by the schedule above. You MUST CALL 628-2011 to arrange for pickup prior to the collection date. Please make every effort to call prior to the weekend before the collection because of the limited space on our answering machine.

BULK WASTE ITEMS MUST BE TO THE CURB BY 6:00 A.M. THE DAY OF COLLECTION. **All DOORS must be removed from refrigerators and freezers.**

**NO BUILDING MATERIALS OR CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS WILL BE COLLECTED, ALSO NO WOODEN FENCING, NO RAILROAD TIES, AND NO PALLETTS NO LANDSCAPING TIMBERS AND NO SCRAP WOOD WILL BE COLLECTED. NO GAS TANKS, FUEL TANKS, OR PROPANE TANKS WILL BE COLLECTED. NO PAINTS OR ANY OTHER TYPES HAZARDOUS MATERIALS WILL BE COLLECTED.** The disposal of the materials we do not collect is the responsibility of the resident, homeowner or contractor.

## **Compostable Materials Collection Requirements**

Your GRASS CLIPPINGS, LEAVES AND OTHER YARD DEBRIS must be placed in PAPER COMPOST BAGS OR REUSABLE CONTAINERS. The COMPOST CONTAINERS must comply with the same requirements as the Trash and Recycling containers. The compost containers must have removable lids, external handles, have a minimum capacity of 20 gallons and a maximum capacity of 45 gallons, and not weigh over 50 pounds when full. The PAPER COMPOST BAGS must only be filled to a capacity that will allow a single collection crewmember to lift and load the bags.

### **Brush Collection Schedule – One week per on the months as stated below.**

|          |               |           |               |
|----------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| January  | 23 thru 27    | July      | No Collection |
| February | No Collection | August    | 27 thru 31    |
| March    | 26 thru 30    | September | 24 thru 28    |
| April    | 23 thru 27    | October   | 22 thru 26    |
| May      | 21 thru 25    | November  | No Collection |
| June     | 25 thru 29    | December  | No Collection |

Brush, resulting from Residential tree trimmings and prunings, must be placed to the curb in a neat pile with the larger ends facing the street to be collected. Residential trimmings and prunings will be collected one week of each month following the schedule above. Residential trimming and pruning must be to the curb prior to the beginning of the collection week. Christmas trees will be collected during the month of January. Brush shall be placed 10' from the curb or edge of pavement during loose leaf collection and will not be collected during November and December.

### **NO YARD DEBRIS WILL BE COLLECTED IN PLASTIC BAGS**

### **NO DEBRIS RESULTING FROM TREE REMOVAL OR LOT CLEARING WILL BE COLLECTED**

**Yard debris and loose leaves should not be placed in or along drainage swales or basins. Doing so will cause the them to malfunction and could cause flooding.**

### **Loose Leaf Collection Requirements**

Loose leaf will be collected from APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup> to APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup> and NOVEMBER 15<sup>TH</sup> to DECEMBER 31<sup>ST</sup>. Leaves must be placed to the shoulder of your street or road in long rows, not large piles, for collection.

**LOOSE LEAVES PILES ARE PROHIBITED NEAR STORM DRAIN INLETS.**

You must keep the leaf piles a minimum of 10 feet from any storm drain inlet. We only collect piles of loose leaves that are free of sticks and other debris. If your piles contain sticks and other debris they will not be collected until the debris is removed. Brush shall be placed 10' from the curb or edge of pavement during loose leaf collection and will not be collected during November and December.

## **Tree Trimming Program Requirements**

Township of Upper's ordinance #11-1983 requires Township Residents to maintain any plant life within ten [10] feet of any street or roadway and within twenty-five [25] feet of the intersection of any two [2] streets or roadways. Any plant life [trees, shrubs, bushes, hedges etc.] bordering any streets, roadways or sidewalks must be trimmed to allow safe passage of vehicles and pedestrians. Intersections must be trimmed to allow clear sight of all traffic signs [stop signs] and approaching vehicles. A Township Official will notify anyone in violation of the ordinance and they will be given ten [10] days to correct the problem. If the violation is not corrected the Township will authorize the work to be completed and the property owner will be billed accordingly.

## **Hazardous Materials Collection Requirements**

The Cape May County Municipal Authority sponsors two [2] FREE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COLLECTIONS during the year for all residents of Cape May County. They accept THINNERS, STAINS, SOLVENTS, GASOLINE, MIXED GASOLINE, HERBICIDES, PESTICIDES, and many other HAZARDOUS MATERIALS. They can be reached at 609-465-9026 for more information concerning this service and for registration information.

**IT IS UNLAWFUL TO DISPOSE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS IN OUR TRASH TRUCKS AND IN OUR STORM DRAINS. Violators will be PROSECUTED to the fullest extent of the LAW**

## **Used Clothing Recycling Requirements**

Your clean, folded and bagged USED CLOTHING, USED SHOES and HANDBAGS [in good condition] can be delivered to the Upper Township Road Department at 1691 Mount Pleasant Road, Tuckahoe from 7:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. five [5] days per week. The items are to be placed in the USED CLOTHING SHED to the left of the main entrance gate. The used materials are picked up by the Goodwill Southern New Jersey to be reused.

## **Trash and Recycling Collection Areas**

**MONDAYS** – All of Strathmere and Whale Beach.

Harbor Road, east side of the Parkway, trash collection and recycling collection.

**TUESDAYS** – North side of Church Road and north to the Township line, the Great Egg Harbor Bay.

**WEDNESDAYS** – Petersburg, Tuckahoe, Marshallville, Head of the River, Steelmantown and Martintown.

**THURSDAYS** – Hope Corson Road south to the Township line including the Foxborough development.

**FRIDAYS** – South side of Church Road south to Hope Corson Road excluding the Foxborough development.

## **Enforcement of Trash and Recycling Collection Programs.**

The Township's **Sanitation Inspector** has the responsibility of enforcing all the requirements of the Township's Trash and Recycling collection programs. His job is to ensure that all Residents and Commercial Business adhere to the requirements of the Townships Solid Waste and Recycling Ordinances #4-1995 and #13-2005.

If the inspector notices or is notified of a problem with trash or recycling at a residence or business, he will tag the material that is in violation and hand deliver a notice of the violation to the offending party. The hand delivered material will specify what the violation is and how it must be corrected.

The Superintendent of Public Works can be reached at 609-628-2011 ext. 244. The Supervisors of the Road Department are available by phone at 609-628-2011 to answer all questions pertaining to the services offered by this Department. The goal of this Department is to offer fair and equal treatment to all that we serve. Messages can be left on our answering machine at anytime. The winter office hours are 6:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. [from Labor Day until Memorial Day] and the summer office hours are 5:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.[from Memorial Day until Labor Day]

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