

Upper Township Public Works Residents Information-2015

Trash and Recycling Collection Holiday Schedule 2015

Thursday	January 1st	New Years Day
Monday	January 19th	Martin Luther King Day
Monday	February 16th	Presidents Day
Friday	April 3rd	Good Friday
Monday	May 25th	Memorial Day *
Friday	July 3rd	Independence Day
Monday	September 7th	Labor Day *
Monday	October 12th	Columbus Day
Wednesday	November 11th	Veteran's Day
Thursday	November 26th	Thanksgiving Day
Friday	November 27th	Thanksgiving Holiday
Friday	December 25th	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. **The Thanksgiving Holiday trash schedule will be as follows: Thursday's trash will be collected on Friday and Friday's trash will be collected on Monday. Hold your recycling until your next regular collection day.**

Trash and Recycling Collection Requirements

Household Trash

Your household trash must be 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 in the cart provided by the Township. No other containers will be collected.

Recycling Materials

Your Recycling Materials must be 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 in the cart provided by the Township. No other containers will be collected.

Convenience Drop-off Center

Single Stream Recycling, mixed rigid plastics and household trash 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.

Automated Carts

Each residential household is eligible to receive 1- cart for trash and 1- cart for recycling. The standard cart size is 96 gallons in size which is equivalent to three normal trash cans. The standard cart will be given to most residents. For those households who have only 1-2 people or for medical conditions then a smaller can be chosen.

Based on national studies and our survey of Township collection, one cart for trash & one cart for recycling is sufficient for a household size of 4-6 people and is in compliance with the Township's rules for recycling. If you feel that you may need an additional cart, one may be purchased for \$100.00. Please contact the Public Works Department at 609-628-2011 ext. 350 if you would like to request an alternate size cart or additional cart.

The placement of the cart shall be as follows: cart shall be placed at of the edge of pavement or curb with the handles and wheels facing toward your house. The cart cannot be placed within 24" of any mailbox, utility pole, car, tree or other cart and, there can be no obstruction between the cart and the roadway. There shall also be no overhead obstructions within 12'. These clearances are required so that the automated arm can reach, grab and dump the cart. For some properties the location of the cart placement shall be dictated by the Public Works Department. In some cases it may be across the street from the residence. In all of these cases the resident will be personally contacted and we will discuss the proposed location and why it is required.

The carts are the property of Upper Township and should be used only at the residence that it has been assigned to. Each cart has a unique serial number and electronic tag that is associated to a specific property. A Cart will not be collected at a property where it is not assigned. If the occupant moves, the cart assigned to that property must be left behind for the new occupant. You may place your house number on the lid of the container with numbers no larger than 2" in size.

The carts are warranted for 10 years. If damaged is noticed on the cart please contact the Public Works Department at 609-628-2011 ext. 350 and an inspector will be dispatched to look at the cart. If the damage is a warranty issue from routine use the cart may be replaced and/or repaired depending on the type of damage. If it is determined to be damage from neglect by the homeowner then the cost of the replacement cart will have to be paid to the Township before a replacement cart is issued to the homeowner. Additionally, lost carts will have to be paid for before a replacement cart is issued to the homeowner. Replacement cost is \$100.00

Trash should be placed in bags before being placed into the cart. Items that are prohibited to be placed in the cart are hot ashes or coals, hazardous waste, concrete, rocks, large pieces of metal or dirt.

Commercial Properties will be permitted one trash cart and one recycling cart. Placement of the cart and collection day shall be the same as required of a residential household. If a commercial property requires additional carts then they will be required to have a dumpster for recycling. In accordance with Ordinance Section 24-1.11b any commercial property which generates in excess of 96 gallons of solid waste per week shall contract with a private hauler to collect and dispose of such solid waste.

Single Stream 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.

Your newspapers [with inserts], magazines, corrugated cardboard, office paper, junk mail, pizza boxes, white or gray chipboard boxes [cereal boxes, clothing boxes, tissue boxes, shiny beer boxes, shiny soda boxes etc], paper towels tubes, paper plates, plastic coated boxes, gift wrapping paper and kraft [brown] paper bags must be placed in a recycling container. Shredded paper may be placed in clear plastic bags for identification and placed in recycling container. Styrofoam and plastic wrap must be removed from cardboard boxes prior to collection.

We DO NOT RECYCLE the following items: plastic coated boxes, laminated paper, napkins, tissue paper food contaminated paper & cardboard, window glass, drinking glasses, Styrofoam, plastic beverage cups and light bulbs.

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.

Residential Paper Shredding

Paper shredding is for residential use only and is available on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Public Works Yard in Tuckahoe from 9:00am to 1:00pm. 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.

Automobile Tires

Tires will be collected curbside on our Bulk Waste Collection day. This tire collection will be from Residential use only. Please call 628-2011 ext 352 for pickup.

Bulk Waste Schedule

1st Wednesday of Month

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

2nd Wednesday of Month

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

FOR THE VETERANS HOLIDAY PICKUP WILL BE TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10th.

3rd Wednesday of Month

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

4th Wednesday of Month

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

Bulk Waste Collection Requirements

Your HOUSEHOLD BULK WASTE, carpets, furniture, appliances and other large household items are collected on the days indicated by the schedule above. BULK WASTE ITEMS MUST BE TO THE CURB BY 6:00 A.M. THE DAY OF COLLECTION. Items may not be placed out to the curb before the Friday before the day of collection or a ticket may be issued. **All DOORS must be removed from refrigerators and freezers.**

Only **two** bulk items may be placed to the curb each month of collection. Bulk item shall be described as a single item (ie. couch or table or refrigerator or entertainment center or box spring & mattress) or collection of smaller items whose dimensions do not exceed 6'x4'x4'. Metal, white goods, electronics, mixed rigid plastics or other recyclable item shall not count towards the one item.

The following items will not be collected with bulk trash:

Building Materials or construction debris	Scrap wood	Wood Fencing
Railroad Ties or Landscaping timbers	Pallets	Gas or fuel tanks
Propane Tanks	Paints or any type of hazardous materials	

The disposal of the materials is the responsibility of the resident, homeowner or contractor.

Recycling Items collected along with Bulk Trash

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.

Brush Collection Monthly Schedule

January	July	No Collection
February	August	
March	September	
April	October	
May	November	No Collection
June	December	No Collection

Brush shall be limited to a pile no larger than 10'x6'x6'.

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 by our Brush Chipper. Residential trimmings and prunings will be collected following the schedule above. Residential trimming and pruning must be to the curb prior to the beginning of the collection month. Brush shall be placed 10' from the curb or edge of pavement during loose leaf collection. Trees damaged during severe weather events will be collected by calling for pickup.

Christmas trees will be collected during the month of January.

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

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 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.

NO YARD DEBRIS WILL BE COLLECTED IN PLASTIC BAGS

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

Loose Leaf Collection Requirements

Loose leaf will be collected from APRIL 1ST to APRIL 30TH and NOVEMBER 15TH to DECEMBER 31ST. 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.

Roadside 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.

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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.

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.

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.

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 Supervisors of the Road Department are available by phone at 609-628-2011 ext. 350 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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