

**Town of Burlington
Department of Public Works
Town Hall Annex
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**Residential Customer for Burlington
Burlington, MA 01803**

 **RESIDENTIAL SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING AND TRASH COLLECTION GUIDE** 
NO MORE SORTING RECYCLABLES!

Dear Burlington Resident,

The 2013/2014 Single Stream Recycling and Trash Collection Guide includes current information about residential services provided by the Town. It covers single stream recycling, automated trash collection, yard waste, disposal of bulky waste, appliances and CRT's, and rules and regulations regarding construction and demolition debris (C&D). This guide is on-line at the DPW website: www.burlington.org. See the website for additional information and for current DPW announcements.

NOTE: Christmas Tree Pickup will change this year. Christmas Tree Pickup will follow a “yard waste” schedule and will be for ONE WEEK ONLY starting on January 6th thru 10th. Christmas trees should be cut in half if over 6 ft. If you are not sure what day your yard waste is, please put the Tree to the curb on Monday 1/6/14. If you are missed please call the DPW as soon as missed so that we can have it picked up. This pickup is for ONE WEEK ONLY!!

White goods and CRTs are picked up by Allied Waste for **FREE**. Please call them @ 800-442-9006 to schedule a pick-up. Also, Bulk items such as furniture are also still collected for **FREE** from Allied Waste. Please call them @ 800-442-9006.

Allied Waste picks up Trash and Recycling every Thursday, except on holiday weeks when collection is on Fridays. See collection calendar for holiday schedule. Please have trash to the curb by 7 am.

To report a missed pick up of Trash and Recycling please call Allied Waste at 800-442-9006 or DPW at 781-270-1670. Please call by Noon on Friday to schedule a missed pickup for Friday, Otherwise it will have to be held until the following week.

Remember to place recycling at the curbside, away from the trash, if possible, on the opposite side of the driveway or walkway.



Recycling is now SINGLE STREAM! No More Sorting!

What is Single Stream you ask?!

It means ALL Recyclables go into ONE container. Paper, plastic, cardboard, bottles, cans – Mix them all!

You can continue to use the container you are using now for recycling but now you can mix them all into the same container. There is no need to separate paper from plastic and cans.

What about cardboard?

Good question. You need to make it small enough to fit into your trash can/recycle bin and it also has to be small enough that when it's emptied into the Recycling truck it leaves the container.

If it's too big it will remain stuck in the container!

How do I get a recycle bin?

Recycle bins can be purchased in the Tax Office in Town Hall and then picked up at the Town Hall Annex DPW Office. The cost is \$6.50 per bin. Recycle stickers are also available in the DPW Office free of charge. These can be affixed to your old trash barrels. These barrels can be used for yard waste and/or recycling.

What is NOT recyclable?

Styrofoam is not recyclable in Burlington. NO Styrofoam peanuts either.

Pizza Boxes are also not recyclable. Those are soiled with cheese and oil and are not recycled even though they have a recycling sign on them.

Construction & Demolition Debris (C&D) NOT allowed in Trash

The Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection bans the disposal of C&D materials with regular trash. Disposal of C&D from household building or renovation projects is the homeowner's responsibility. Debris includes treated and untreated wood, brick, concrete, asphalt and similar items. Residents must contact a licensed C&D disposal company. Consider donating reusable building material to a non-profit such as Habitat for Humanity.



Frequently Asked Questions

What items should not be placed in the toter?

All waste should be placed in regular trash bags prior to being discarded in the toter. This keeps the toter clean and odor-free. Items that should not be placed in the toter include, but are not limited to; construction materials, tires, motor oil, paint, hot ashes, gasoline, hazardous materials, yard waste, etc.

May a resident place trash bags outside the toter?

Only approved Town of Burlington "overflow bags" will be accepted. These bags are available at the DPW, and supermarkets in Town. The cost is 5 bags for \$10 and they should be placed next to the Toter.

These "overflow bags" are to be used OUTSIDE the toter. You do not need to purchase these bags if all your trash fits in the toter.

TRASH TOTER must be at your curbside by 7:00 am on trash day.

Trash bags must not weigh more than 30 lbs.

LATEX Paint containers must be empty or solidified prior to being picked up (Kitty Litter or sand will solidify left over paint).

Liquids (i.e. thinners, oil, acids) and Medical Waste (i.e. oxygen tanks, needles) are not acceptable materials for pick up.

ALL cardboard boxes need to be broken down and placed in or on top of your RECYCLING BIN for pick up.

What do I do if my Toter is missing?

Please contact the DPW Office at 781-270-1670

What do I do if my Toter is damaged?

Please contact Allied Waste at 1-800-442-9006

Special Collections - *Curbside Pick up of:*

 CHRISTMAS TREES 
Week of January 6, 2014

ON YOUR ORIGINAL TRASH DAY

Trees must be free of decorations and stands.
Trees in bags will NOT be picked up!
Trees must be out by 7:00 am
****ANY TREE LARGER THAN 6 FEET
MUST BE CUT IN HALF****

**** NO PLASTIC BAGS****

 YARD WASTE/LEAVES ONLY 

July 29 - August 2, 2013*

August 26 - August 30, 2013*

September 23 - September 27, 2013*

October 15 - November 30, 2013*

April 14 - May 23, 2014*

June 23 - June 27, 2014*

****NO PLASTIC BAGS****

***ON YOUR ORIGINAL TRASH DAY
See website or call DPW**

APPLIANCE PICK-UP

CRT'S, Televisions, computers and appliances,
YOU must call Allied Waste at
1-800-442-9006 to schedule a pick-up
@ NO CHARGE



BULKY ITEMS

Any bulky trash items that do not fit in the
Trash Toter, YOU must call Allied Waste at
1-800-442-9006 to schedule a pick-up
@ NO CHARGE








Both curbside recycling and regular trash collection services are provided to Burlington by Allied Waste.
Recycling Stickers are also available FREE OF CHARGE at Town Hall Annex, DPW 2nd Floor.

Need help with Recycling? Contact the 781-270-1670



How to Recycle in Burlington



MATERIAL	WHAT TO RECYCLE	HOW TO PREPARE	DO NOT INCLUDE
 METAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Steel/Tin and Aluminum Cans * Aluminum Pie Plates and Trays 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Rinse clean * Labels OK 	<p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Paint Cans/Batteries * Aerosol cans * Metal items/Auto Parts * Coat hangers
 GLASS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Clear, and Colored Beverage Containers only 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Rinse clean * Collar, neck rings labels OK 	<p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Broken glass/auto glass * Mirrors * Ceramics (plates, cookware) * Drinking glasses * Light bulbs * Windows
 PLASTIC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * All rigid plastic containers #1 - #7 * Milk, Water, Soda & Juice bottles * Shampoo, Conditioner * Laundry, Bleach/Fabric Softener Bottles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Rinse Clean and Crush flatten to conserve space * Labels ok * Aseptic Cartons 	<p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * PLASTIC BAGS - can be recycled at grocery stores * Styrofoam packaging (peanuts, large pieces, etc.) * Chemical or Motor Oil containers * Toys
 CARDBOARD	<p>ALL Cardboard is mandatory to Recycle.</p> <p>It will NOT be accepted in the Trash!</p>	<p>Breakdown, flatten or fold boxes, cartons & other pieces of cardboard into size of newspaper; tie and place on or beside bin</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Cardboard can be mixed with paper 	<p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Contaminated boxes * Pizza boxes
 PAPER	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Newspapers * Magazines, Catalogs * Junk Mail, Envelopes * Books (remove hardcovers) * Paper Bags * Phone Books * Office/Computer Paper * Boxboard (such as Cereal, cracker - remove liners) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Put paper in paper grocery bags or separate bin * Remove covers on hardcover books * Paper can be mixed with Cardboard 	<p>NO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Food-soiled paper/boxes * PLASTIC BAGS - can be recycled at grocery stores * Paper towels, tissues, napkins, disposable diapers * Frozen-food boxes * NO Pizza boxes

RECYCLABLES CAN BE MIXED TOGETHER

* Glass, Plastic and Metals may be combined in a recycle bin with cardboard bundles or mixed with paper



BURLINGTON RECYCLING CALENDAR



2013							2014									
	S	M	T	W	T	F	S		S	M	T	W	T	F	S	
Jul 2013		1	2	3	4	5	6		Jan 2014				1	2	3	4
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13			5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20			12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27			19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	28	29	30	31						26	27	28	29	30	31	
Aug 2013					1	2	3		Feb 2014	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10			9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17			16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24			23	24	25	26	27	28	
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31									
Sept 2013	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		Mar 2014	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21			16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28			23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	29	30								30	31					
Oct 2013			1	2	3	4	5		Apr 2014			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12			6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19			13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24	26	26			20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28	29	30	31					27	28	29	30			
Nov 2013						1	2		May 2014					1	2	3
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9			4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16			11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23			18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30			25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Dec 2013	1	2	3	4	5	6	7		Jun 2014	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14			8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21			15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28			22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31							29	30					

TRASH DAY is designated by the color **RED** on the schedule

HOLIDAYS are shown in **Bold Face Type**. Any scheduled collection day following a holiday will be collected one day later.

XMAS Tree Collection will be week of January 6, 2014 **ONLY - on your original trash day.**

YARD WASTE and **XMAS TREES** will be collected on your original trash day during the days of the weeks designated by the **SHADED** area.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE will be collected on Saturdays **9/28/13** and **4/26/14** (marked in **BLUE**) on the calendar. For more information please contact the Health Dept. @ 781-270-1955.

All questions concerning trash and recycling, please call Allied Waste @ 800-442-9006. For appliance removal and bulky items please call Allied Waste @ 800-442-9006.

SINGLE STREAM

All Together!

RECYCLING

Starting July 1st, 2013



Recycle it **together!**