

# 2016 Recycling and Trash Collection Information

## "Pay As You Throw" for the City of Gloucester



Gloucester's successful "Pay As You Throw" system of trash removal has been in effect since 1990. Official City Bags are sold at locations throughout the city at a cost of \$2.00 each for 36 gallon bags and \$1.00 each for 13 gallon bags.

Mandatory recycling in Gloucester is scheduled for every week on your normal trash day. Place trash and and recyclables at the curb by **7 am**.

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Holiday Schedule: When a collection day falls on a holiday, that days collection and all remaining collections for the week will be one day later. Friday collection will be on Saturday.

Missed Collection: call Hiltz Disposal at 978-283-3335 if recycling or trash was not picked up.

# TRASH COLLECTION INFORMATION • ABOUT TRASH...

Single Family – Multi Family (4 apt. max) • Place Trash and Recyclables on curb no later than 7:00 a.m.

- All trash must be in official City of Gloucester purple bags.
- Bags are sold in packets of 5 (some locations sell single bags) at several local convenience and grocery stores.
- Trash in any other bag will not be picked up.
- Bag must be closed and tied.
- Closed city-designated bags can be placed curbside either IN or OUT of your trash barrel.
- Appliances are picked up curbside by appointment after a \$25.00 sticker has been purchased at the DPW.



## What won't get picked up? Know the Rules!

- Trash that is not in an official bag will be left at the curb.
- Yard waste and leaves – Take to the Compost Facility on Dogtown Rd., open the last Saturday of each month.
- **CRT's (Televisions and computer monitors require a \$25.00\* sticker attached, available ONLY from DPW.)**
- Bulk items without a \$5.00 sticker (available at the DPW) will not be picked up. **(Televisions and computers are NOT bulk items.)**
- Overweight (50 lbs.) trash bags.
- Construction debris – Call Hiltz Disposal at 978-283-3335 for hours and rates at their transfer facility or call Mello's Transfer Station in Georgetown at 978-352-9948.
- Household Hazardous Waste is held the last Saturday in September. (Sign up for HHW collection the beginning of September at 978-281-9785).
- **Moving or Cleaning Out?** – For large amounts of debris call Hiltz Disposal (978) 283-3335 for a private dumpster.
- If moving, remember to leave your recycling bin behind for the next resident.
- For general trash and recycling questions, call the DPW at 281-9785.

# ABOUT RECYCLING... IT'S MANDATORY and...

Recycling more of your trash is an important way you can help preserve our environment, reduce our consumption of precious natural resources, save yourself and our City money. The more you put out for recycling, the less you have to spend on bags. Only with your help can we reach our recycling goals. Each item that is removed from the waste stream reduces our trash disposal costs, enabling us to use that money for other important City services – all while helping to preserve our environment!

Before you throw something into your trash container, please ask yourself, "Can this be recycled?"  
Even a small change can make a difference!



## CRT's, televisions, computers and appliances

APPLIANCES & CRT's      \$25.00 Sticker      Once a month curbside collection

CRT's are the leaded glass picture tubes found in televisions and computer monitors. They require special handling as do appliances. Special stickers can be purchased at the DPW business office for curbside collection.

Bulk items are items that will not fit into your trash bag. **(Televisions and computers are NOT bulk items.)**

Bulk items are collected curbside on your regular trash collection day when a \$5 bulk sticker is attached. **(furniture, rugs, mattresses, etc.)** \$5.00 bulk item stickers are available at the DPW, Stop N Shop and The Building Center. Call 978-281-9785 for more info.

# DROP OFF RECYCLING PROGRAMS

## Composting Program • NO PLASTIC BAGS

Gloucester's compost facility, located on Dogtown Road off Cherry Street is scheduled to open on the last Saturday of every month during the hours of 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. for brush, leaves and yard waste.

Leaves must be clean and free of rocks & debris. Brush must be less than 4" in diameter and 4' in length.

Please empty all bags for better composting and remember, no bricks, no stumps and NO PLASTIC BAGS. There will be extended days during spring – six weeks – Saturdays only from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. – beginning April 30th thru June 4th and – six weeks in the fall – Saturdays only from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. - (October 29th thru December 4th).



## Scrap Metal Program

Metal items (at least 80% metal) can be dropped off at the DPW on the last Saturday of each month from 9 a.m. to Noon (except the month of September).

Call 978-281-9785 for more information. Some acceptable items are bicycles, water heaters, tools, file cabinets, metal furniture, washers, dryers, metal chairs and gas grills (w/o propane tank).

WE CANNOT ACCEPT - Propane tanks or any item containing Freon, such as air conditioners, freezers, refrigerators or de-humidifiers.



## Mercury & Fluorescent Light Bulb Program

Thermometers, thermostats, switches, nickel cadmium and button cell batteries can be brought to the Board of Health during normal business hours, or monthly, last Saturday at the DPW from 9 a.m. to Noon. Button cell batteries are also being collected at the Senior Center, the Audiology Dept. at the Medical Center and McPherson and Sheedy Park. Residents are encouraged to bring fluorescent light bulbs to the DPW, or to The Building Center.



## Automotive Recycling Program • FACT – The average automobile has 44% recycled steel content.

**Oil, Oil Filters, Tires & Car Batteries – monthly, last Saturday, DPW, 9 a.m. to Noon**

(except the month of September.) Commercial tires are not accepted and please limit your tire disposal to 2 per month.

**(Tires must be off the rim.)**

Oil taken during normal Recycling Saturdays is used to heat the DPW building and must be as pure as possible. Please keep water, dirt, leaves, engine/brake cleaners and other contaminants away from the oil brought here to the DPW. Contaminated oil can be brought to Hazardous Waste collection days on April 30th and September 24th (by appointment).



RECYCLE USED OIL



# SINGLE - STREAM RECYCLING GUIDE

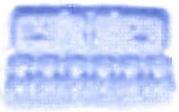


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Hiltz Waste Disposal, Inc.

**You Can Now Place All Recyclables In One Bin!**

## No more sorting!

  
White or Colored  
Office Paper

  
Paper Egg Cartons

  
Paper Milk/Juice  
Cartons

  
Glass Bottles  
Jars

  
Empty Aerosol  
Containers

  
#1 - #7 Plastic  
Bottles, Jugs

  
#1 - #7 Plastic Tubs  
Screw-Top Jars

  
Cardboard  
Empty Paper Bags

  
Mail  
Greeting Cards

  
Paperboard  
Boxes

  
Cans

  
Clean pie pans  
and balled  
aluminum foil  
(2" or larger)

  
Blueprints

  
Paperback  
Books

  
Magazines  
Brochures  
Catalogs

  
Newspapers  
Inserts

## NO

  
Loose Metal Jar Lids  
Steel Bottle Caps

  
File Folders

No Need to Remove:  
paper clips, stamps,  
address labels, staples, tape,  
metal fasteners, rubber bands,  
spiral bindings, plastic tabs.

- Plastic bags
- Styrofoam
- Scrap metal
- Tyvek envelopes
- Plastic 6-pack holders
- Mirrors, Ceramics or Pyrex
- Light bulbs, plates or vases
- Drinking glasses, window glass
- Hazardous or bio-hazardous waste
- Plastics other than listed
- Tissues, paper towels, napkins
- Waxed paper or waxed cardboard
- Stickers or sheets of address labels
- (affixed address labels and stamps ok)



Please Flatten All  
Cardboard Boxes.

Empty & Rinse  
All Containers.

Questions? Call or Visit:  
Hiltz Waste Disposal, Inc.  
(978) 3283-3335  
[www.hiltzdisposal.com](http://www.hiltzdisposal.com)

# SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

## *Curbside pick-up of CHRISTMAS TREES* Week of January 11th-15th

Special curbside collection during January 11th to 15th, on your regular trash collection day. Trees are picked up in a separate truck and **must be free of decorations, lights and tree stands**. Have trees out by 7:00 am. No **PLASTIC BAGS**. Trees in bags will NOT be picked up. Another option is to bring your tree to the Compost Facility.



## **Hazardous Waste Days ... by registration only!** **Saturday, April 30 AND Saturday, September 24th**



**Call 978-281-9785**



**Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day ... will take place on Saturday, April 30th and Saturday, September 24 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon** to collect oil based paints, chemicals, insecticides, pool chemicals, old gas, contaminated oil, and other environmentally hazardous chemicals from residents. **Pre-registration is required.** Appointments accepted after April 1, for April's event and September 1 for September's event. For more information and phone registration – call the DPW at 978-281-9785.



## Spring and Fall Leaf Collection Schedule

### **Three Spring Curbside Collections –**

**April 19th - 23rd [Monday, April 18th is a holiday] • May 16th - 20th • June 6th - 10th**

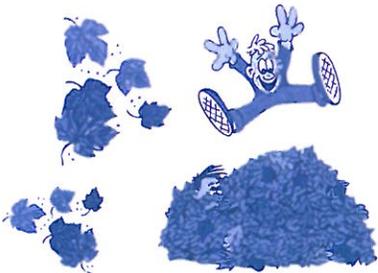
### **Four Fall Curbside Collections –**

**Week of October 24th - 28th • Week of November 7th - 12th [Friday, Nov. 11th is a holiday]  
Week of November 21st - 26th [Thursday, Nov. 24th is a holiday] • Week of December 5th - 9th**

### **LEAVES ONLY**

Place leaves in paper leaf bags or loose in marked barrels. Collection is on your regular trash day during these special collection weeks.

**No plastic bags!**



**For More Information, call 978-281-9785**