

A Note from the Town Board

There is plenty of conflicting news about the best way to handle garbage disposal and recyclables collection. We offer this brochure as an overview of the Town's policies and programs for solid waste handling to help you understand Southampton Town's solid waste and recyclables disposal programs and how you can best participate. But remember, the key to being "Garbage Smart" is to avoid producing trash in the first place. If you don't create the garbage, you don't have to worry about getting rid of it.

Here in Southampton Town, we know our finest resources are the beautiful, rural countryside and clean beaches. We want to keep Southampton beautiful and we hope you will lend your support and cooperation to this effort. The Town has taken several steps to keep our garbage disposal and recyclables as convenient as possible. We hope you will agree, and we thank you for your interest and cooperation.

More information on waste reduction, recycling and other sound waste disposal practices is available through the Town Recycling Office. You will find contact names and numbers in this brochure.

Please contact us if we may assist you further, and...

Thank you for keeping Southampton Town Beautiful!

Sincerely,

Southampton Town Board

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RECYCLING AREAS

**North Sea and Hampton Bays: OPEN
DAILY**

**Westhampton and Sag Harbor: Closed
Wednesdays**

**All Stations open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed on most major holidays**

North Sea - 1370 Majors Path, 11968
Accepts Town "green bags," electronic waste, tires, propane tanks, furniture, bulk items, appliances, metal, yard waste and construction debris –NO Concrete or Asphalt.

Hampton Bays - Jackson Avenue, 11946
Accepts all waste accepted at North Sea except construction debris.

Westhampton - 66 Old Country Road, 11977
Accepts household garbage and recyclables from resident self-haulers only. Yard waste is accepted only when there are no fees.

***Sag Harbor - Sag Bridgehampton Tpke ,
11963***
Accepts waste oil, Town "green bags" and recyclables only—no yard waste.

Christmas trees are accepted free of charge January 1 through January 31 at stations accepting yard waste.

RECYCLING OFFICE 631-283-5210

A Guide To Southampton Town's Recycling Programs



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Solid Waste Management Division
North Sea Recycling Facility
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HERE'S WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SOUTHAMPTON TOWN'S MANDATORY RECYCLING PROGRAM

GARBAGE DISPOSAL

Southampton Town does not provide municipal curbside collection of trash and recyclables. Town residents have two options for handling refuse removal:

- Become a self-hauler by bringing trash and recyclables to your local transfer station.
- Arrange for collection with a private carter.

SELF HAULERS

Residents who bring their recyclables and garbage to the Town's four disposal sites must use a designated Town garbage bag for all non-recycled garbage only. The bags are offered in 13 gallon size and 33 gallon size. They are sold in various grocery stores, hardware stores and delis in the Town as well as at the Town Clerks' offices. Do not use these special bags for the disposal of recyclables.

No annual permit is charged but residents may be asked to show proof of residency in order to use the facilities.

Please follow instructions on the signs at the recycling centers. If you are uncertain of what to do, the attendants are available to assist you.

PRIVATE CARTER CUSTOMERS

Residents who hire a carter are NOT required to use the specially designated Town Bags. Any special handling should be arranged with your carter. The communities of Southampton Town are served by several local carting companies who would be happy to assist you. Consult your telephone directory for a complete listing. Trash and recyclables should not be placed curbside.

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

For more detailed information, please visit the Waste Management section of the Town of Southampton web site at:

<http://www.southamptontownny.gov>

Click on Divisions and Departments, then, click on Waste Management

Batteries

Batteries require no special handling by Municipalities. Household batteries such as AAA, AA, C and D batteries are safe to dispose of in your household garbage. Rechargeable batteries must be recycled by retailers such as Radio Shack, Home Depot, Best Buy, etc. Please call in advance to ask retailers their policy and requirements.

"Just Mow It"

The Town's grass recycling program is called "Just Mow It." The program prohibits bringing grass clippings to the Recycling Centers. Homeowners and landscapers are asked to leave grass clippings on lawns. By leaving grass clippings on your lawn, you eliminate the back-breaking chore of bagging grass clippings and also return nutrients to the soil which contribute to a greener, thicker, healthier lawn.

COMPOSTING,

The Town encourages residents to compost at home. Composting brochures are available at the Town's recycling office.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE,

Stop Throwing Out Pollutants (S.T.O.P.).

Many products in and around your home are dangerous to you and your family, your neighbors, your pets and the environment. Read the labels on all products carefully and dispose of them properly. The residential household hazardous waste collections are held on four Saturdays between April and October. The collections are rotated at all four recycling centers.

Residents may bring such items as oil based paint, pesticides, household cleaners, automotive fluids, pool chemicals etc. Call the Recycling Office for more information.

COMMERCIALLY GENERATED MATERIALS ARE PROHIBITED. For a list of dates contact the Solid Waste Department or the Southampton Town website: <http://www.southamptontownny.gov>

YARD WASTE

LEAVES: Accepted loose (no bags) from non-commercial resident self haulers at no charge year-round at the North Sea, Hampton Bays and Westhampton facilities.

BRUSH: (Garden Clippings/.sticks/.branches-up to 3" in diameter) Accepted from residents and commercial landscapers at the North Sea and Hampton Bays facilities for a fee based on the current fee schedule. Fees range from \$5.00 to \$30.00 residential and \$50.00 to \$75.00 commercial.

FREE BRUSH: April 15 to May 31 and
November 15 to December 31

This is for **Resident self-haulers ONLY, Commercial Landscapers must use North Sea or Hampton Bays only and will be charged on a fee based on the current fee schedule.**

Recyclable items include: Commingled Containers, Mixed Paper, Corrugated Cardboard, Electronics, Motor Oil, HDPE Film Plastics (plastic bags and bubble-wrap)

Cardboard: Corrugated cardboard only, must be clean and dry.

Mixed Paper: Newspapers, magazines, junk mail, office & school paper, paperbacks, phone books, etc. Must be clean and dry.

Commingled Containers: Aluminum and tin cans, glass containers (clear, green or brown), aluminum foil (clean), plastic containers marked 1 and 2 with chasing arrows only. Anything that cannot be recycled should be put into your Town "Green Bag" – Self-haulers may also dispose of other waste, including used clothing, waste oil, bulk items, furniture, scrap metal, scrap tires, construction debris, brush and yard waste (no grass), household hazardous waste, etc. Disposal fees may apply. Please check with the Waste Management office for more information at **631-283-5210**.

VIOLATIONS

Violations of the Town's recycling law are subject to fines starting at \$100. Fines for illegal dumping start at \$1,000.00 and/or 10 days in jail. The following acts constitute violations to the recycling law

- Use of disposal center without a town designated bag or alternate payment.
- Disposal of waste outside the gates of recycling centers or any other location in the town..
- Failure to sort recyclables properly at recycling centers.
- Disposal of out of town waste at centers.
- Illegal disposal of waste at recreation centers.
- Illegal disposal of hazardous waste.
- Removal of recyclable material from the recycling center.

You are responsible for knowing the law!

In order to enforce the recycling laws, Town officials and recycling center employees reserve the right to inspect your disposables upon request and without advance notice. Summonses may be issued for violations.

Residents who self haul are required to separate their non-recyclable trash from those items which have been designated recyclable in Southampton Town.