

REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE

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*Towns save money and do what's best with their waste:
Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Compost*

KEEP OUT OF THE TRASH

Paper and Cardboard



"We go in your recycling bin"

Containers



"We go in your recycling bin"

WE'RE TOO GOOD FOR THE TRASH

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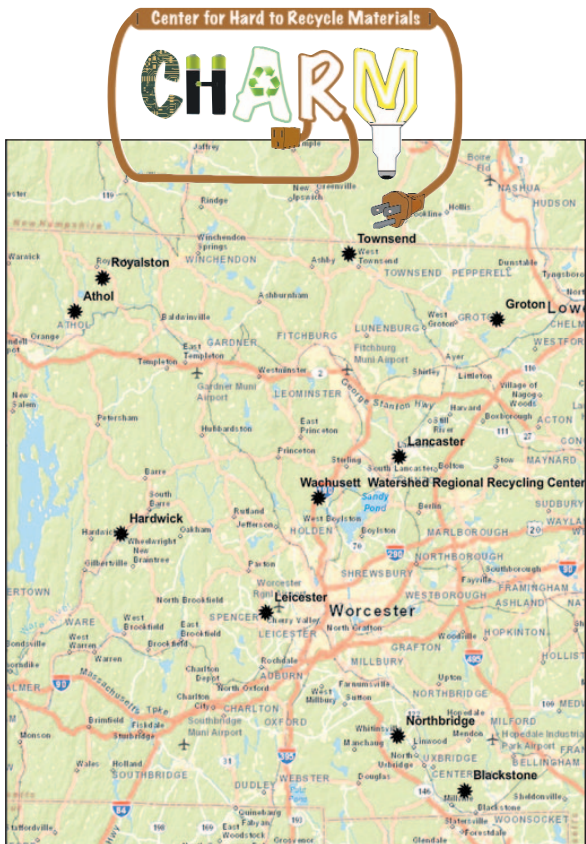
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KEEP US OUT OF THE TRASH!

WE'RE TOO BAD FOR THE TRASH

Get the details at
www.mass.gov/eea/agencies/massdep/recycle
or call 978-597-9191

A note on batteries

Nearly all batteries are considered hazardous waste. They include:

- Ni-Cd and other rechargeable batteries, such as those found in cordless phones, laptop computers, power tools, electric toothbrushes, beepers.
- Button batteries, such as those found in hearing aids, watches, calculators.
- Specialty batteries, such as lithium camera batteries, cell phone batteries.
- Lead-Acid batteries, such as automotive, motorcycle, security.





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- We accept appliances, cabinets, furniture, building materials, lighting, doors, windows and much more!
- All donations are tax deductible and better yet, we offer free, easy pick up in our service area.
- 100% of the profits support Habitat for Humanity NCM.

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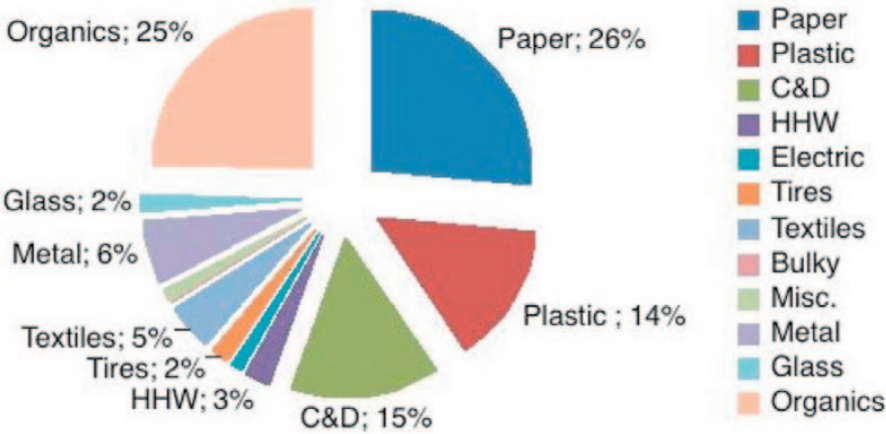


Keeping up the good work

The communities of Central Massachusetts were recently recognized by the Central Mass. Municipal Recycling Council for their great work over the past 10 years in reducing trash by 40 percent. The winners include Larry Adams, Athol; Andrew Jackson, Laurie Sabol and Melissa Macdonald, Ayer; Don Luciani, Devens; Sheely O'Toole, Bolton; Donna Wentzell, East Brookfield; Sam Wong, Hudson; Jim Clyde, Littleton; Jack Pankosky, Ashby; Steven Tyler, Spencer; Robert McNeil, Millbury; Theresa Cofske, Hardwick; Alyssa Ruiecki, Sturbridge and the Wachusett Earth Day; Irene Congdon, Central Mass. MAC; and Tessa David, MassToss director.

COURTESY PHOTO

WHAT'S STILL IN OUR TRASH



We're still throwing away a lot of recyclable, reusable and compostable items.

A job well done

Congratulations! Today you have reduced waste by 40% in Central Mass compared to a decade ago. Curbside, paper and containers are recycled. And these and many other recyclables can go to the transfer stations and businesses in this guide. If you have questions or want to help with community education and events, email Tessa at Recycle@charter.net or join us on Facebook. Please share these resources with friends, coworkers, and neighbors.

Business: Connect to www.recyclingWorksMa.com for list of places that accept all your recyclables and technical support to help you from A-Z.

Residents: Connect to www.MassRecycle.org for the full lists we provided in the past and for the entire state.

Schools: Connect to www.TheGreenteam.org for free equipment for schools, curriculum ideas and sign up to have your school compete with others across the state.

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Community Recycling Information

	Ashby	Ayer	Bolton	Devens	Groton	Harvard	Lancaster	Littleton	Lunenburg	Pepperell	Shirley	Townsend
Phone	978-386-2501	978-772-8270	978-779-6402	978-772-1864	978-448-1160	978-456-4130	978-365-3326 x1013	978-540-2671	978-582-4160	978-433-0343	978-425-2600 x260	978-597-1716
Curbside or Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Drop-off	Curbside	Drop-off	Curbside & Drop-off	Curbside & Drop-off
Drop-Off Location	1140 Greenville Rd	100 Groton Harvard Rd	95 Forbush Mill Rd	99 Buena Vista St	600 Cow Pond Brook Rd	47 Depot Rd	435 Center Bridge Road	38 Spectacle Pond Road		66 Boynton Street	Leominster Road	33 Greenville Rd
Hours of Operation	2nd & 4th Sat, 9am-1pm	Wed, Sat & Sun, 7a-3p winter, 6a-2p summer	Wed 1p - 7p Fri 1p - 4p Sat 8a-3p	basic recycling 24/7, other by appt for residents & businesses	Wed -Sat 7:30-4:30	Wed 7:30a-11:30a Sat 8 a-2 p	Sat & Sun 10-12 weather permitting	Tues & Thurs 12-7, Sat 8 - 5		Tues, Wed, Fri 7a-3:45 p Sat 7a-3:30p	Sat 9a-3p	1st & 3rd Sat, 7a - 2p, (winter Jan, Feb, Mar: 1st Sat only)
Trash by the Bag	Yes	Yes	Yes	no trash	Yes	No	no trash	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	overflow bags
Permit needed	Recycle free with 1 trash bag	Yes	Yes	No	Recycle free, trash permit	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	No
Paper, Plastic & Glass container Recycling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Batteries, Rechargeable and Car	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	DevensHHW.com	Yes	DevensHHW.com	Yes
Bulky Waste	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Household Hazardous Waste Collection	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com	Pepperell BOH	DevensHHW.com	DevensHHW.com
Mercury/Bulbs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, DevensHHW	Yes	Yes	Yes
Motor Oil	Fire Station Sun 9-12	Yes	DPW Barn	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, DevensHHW.com	Yes	Yes, DevensHHW.com	"Hwy Dept 1st Sat 8-12 Jan, Mar, May, Jul, Sep, Nov
Needles/syringes	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH*	NABH**	NABH*	NABH*
Propane Tanks	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Scrap Metal	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Styrofoam	Yes	Event**	***	***	***	Yes	***	***	***		Event**	Yes
Textiles	Town Hall	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes
Tires	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
TV's and Electronics	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes, DevensHHW.com	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yard Waste	No	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Open to non-residents	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes-Recycling	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	Yes
Recycling Committees	Yes	Yes			Yes		Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes

***Nashoba Associated BOH, 978-772-3335, www.Nashoba.org**
****open to all: Sat, Oct 17, 2015, 9a-2p, Ayer-Shirley Middle School, www.recycleyourreusables.wordpress.com**
*****ReFoamIt, 25 Mohawk Drive Warehouse #2, Door 18, Leominster MA www.refoamit.com, 508-864-8723**



The good, bad and ugly accepted

Broken zippers? Missing buttons? Stained?
As long as it's dry and not smelly ... we want it!
Bring it ALL! Everything will be reused or recycled!!
Go to the nearest clothing bin, Salvation Army, Goodwill,
Saver Stores.

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| Pants | Flip Flops |
| Shorts | Slippers |
| Shirts | Belts |
| Pajamas | Ties |
| T-shirts | Backpacks, book bags |
| Jerseys | Purses |
| Sweatshirts | Hats |
| Sweatpants | Socks (singles too!) |
| Sweaters | Pillows |
| Jeans | Comforters |
| Dresses | Sheets |
| Skirts | Blankets |
| Coats | Pillows |
| Jackets | Pillow cases |
| Suits | Curtains/Draperies |
| Scarves | Table linens |
| Undergarments/Bras | Stuffed animals |
| Shoes | |

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Plastic bags and films can only be recycled in specially marked bins in stores — not in curbside recycling bins. Local stores with bins in their lobby: Hannaford, Donelan's, Price Chopper, Shaws, Stop and Shop, Target, Walmart and Wegmans. When you drop the bags in the store bins, turn the bags inside out to ensure they are empty, dry and clean.

Can I put bags in my curbside recycle bins?

Plastic bags get caught in recycling machinery causing worker safety hazards.

Plastic bags can easily blow out of your recycling bin becoming litter, entering waterways, becoming tangled in trees, and harming wildlife.

Can I recycle all kinds of plastic bags?

Only certain types of plastic bags are recyclable. If you put a bag from the NO list, it can contaminate the whole batch and it must be discarded.



DO NOT include the following:

- NO food or cling wrap.
- NO prepackaged food bags.
- NO frozen food bags or prewashed salad bags.
- NO painted film or excessive glue.
- NO biodegradable bags.
- NO heavy-duty bags from wood stove pellets, soil & sand.
- NO chip bags, candy or granola type.

Other tips

- Bring your own reusable bags to the store. They are often stronger and more durable than the flimsy plastic. Wash the bags out occasionally.
- Re-use grocery store bags as garbage can liners or to collect pet waste.

Bet you didn't know that many bags are recycled into composite lumber such as Trex.

For more about plastic bag recycling, visit www.plasticbagrecycling.org.

SAVE THE DATES!



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RECYCLING FOR A FEE TV OR MONITOR:

Small **\$5.00** (20" & under)
Medium/Large: **\$10.00** (Up to and including 32")
Wooden TV, Projection TV's & TV's 33" and over **\$15.00**

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Devens Regional Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center

Devens HHW

OPEN: 1st Wed. of month and following Sat., 9am-noon, Mar-Dec
2015: May 2 & 6, June 3 & 6, July 8 & 11, Aug 5 & 8, Sept 2 & 5, Oct 7 & 10, Nov 4 & 7, Dec 2 & 5
2016: Mar 2 & 5, Apr 6 & 9
PLACE: 9 Cook St. (Rear), Devens
WHO: Member Communities and their small businesses*
MORE DETAILS: www.DevensHHW.com or call 978-501-3943

NEW lower minimum fee

HOUSEHOLD FEES	UP TO
\$20	5 gal/lbs
\$40	10 gal/lbs

Small business call for price



Mercury - Covanta reminds us that some common items contain mercury and should be handled carefully such as glass thermometers, old thermostats, button batteries and compact fluorescent bulbs and tubes. Mercury products will be collected at 9 Cook St. (Rear), Devens. If you break something with mercury in it call 1-866-9MERCURY 1-866-963-7287 or www.keepmercuryfromrising.org

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