

Town of Billerica 2011

Residential Recycling and Trash Collection Guide



Dear Billerica resident,

The 2011 Recycling and Trash Collection Guide includes current information about residential services provided by the town. Please take a few minutes to familiarize yourself with the information in this guide. We hope you find it useful and refer back to it during the year. This Guide is on-line at the DPW website: www.billericadpw.org. See the website for additional information and for current DPW announcements.

Curbside Trash and Recycling

Allied Waste picks up trash and recycling every Monday except in holiday weeks when collection is on Tuesdays. See enclosed calendar on Page 2 for holiday schedule.

ON TRASH DAY:

- Place Trash and recycling at the curb no later than 7:00 AM. Routes and schedules do change. Allied Waste will not go back if trash and recyclables are not out by 7:00 AM.
- Be sure Trash Cart lid is fully closed. This keeps animals, snow, and rain out, and prevents litter.
- Be sure any and all trash that does not fit into cart with the lid closed is placed into an Official Billerica Overflow Bag, available for purchase at O'Connor Hardware and Market Basket locations in Billerica.
- Sort recyclable materials properly. Paper and small cardboard in one bin, bottles, cans and plastic containers in another bin or barrel. Please remove all plastic wrap and Styrofoam packing from recyclables. Please see page 8 for list of acceptable materials.
- Cut larger cardboard to smaller than 30"x30", and bundle (tie or tape) in 8" thick bundles.

PLEASE REMEMBER:

- Do not overfill the trash cart. All trash must fit in cart with lid closed. Any additional trash must be placed into an Official Billerica Overflow Bag.
- Do not place recyclables into plastic bags.
- Do not place unapproved materials into recycle bins. No plastic bags, pizza boxes, Styrofoam, dirty food containers, etc. Please see page 8 for list of acceptable materials.
- Do not place recyclables, construction debris, yard waste, hazardous waste, propane tanks, fluorescent bulbs, tires, TV's, or similar items into trash cart.
- **Bulk items** collection must be scheduled with Allied Waste. Call 1-800-442-9006 by 3:00 on Friday to schedule a free collection for the following Monday.
- **White goods, appliances, TV's, computer monitors, tires, and large metal items** are collected by Appliance Recyclers. See page 4 for fees and more information. Call 1-877-228-2898 or go to www.applrecyl.com to schedule a collection.

Recycling is Mandatory

In compliance with Massachusetts DEP Waste Bans, recyclable material must be separated from the trash. See page 8 for quick recycling guide.

To report a missed pick up of Trash or Recycling please call: Allied Waste 1-800-442-9006 or Steve Robertson, Operations Supervisor, Billerica DPW at 978-436-9178. Please call by 3 pm on Tuesday to schedule a missed pick up on Wednesday. If material was not placed at the curb by 7 am, residents will need to hold onto the material until the following week.

For general recycling questions, please call Mary Delahanty, part-time Recycling Coordinator, at 978-671-1337.

Additional information can be found at: www.billericadpw.org, or by calling the DPW at 978-436-9178.

Remember

Place recycling at the curbside separate from the trash,
if possible on opposite side of driveway or walkway.

www.billericadpw.org



2011 COLLECTION CALENDAR

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CALENDAR LEGEND:



TRASH/RECYCLING PICKUP



HOLIDAYS



YARD WASTE COLLECTION
(Monday - Friday, Former Trash Day)



WASTE OIL COLLECTION at DPW, 250 Boston Road
9:00 am to 1 pm



HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY Saturday, October 15, 2011



CAR TIRES/BATTERY COLLECTION at HOLLANDS (March-October ONLY)

Trash Collection

Household trash is only collected in official Billerica trash carts or official overflow bags. Billerica overflow bags are sold at O'Connor Hardware and Market Basket stores in Billerica. Regular trash bags should be used inside the trash cart to keep it clean. The cart lid must be closed; for excess trash residents may purchase official overflow bags or may pay for the use of a second trash cart. Annual fee (covers July 1 - June 30) applies for second cart.

Bulky items such as couches, chairs, tables, mattresses, box springs and other items **too large** to fit in the trash cart (but can be safely disposed of as trash) require a call to schedule a free pick up. Carpet needs to be cut into strips no wider than 4 feet then rolled and tied. Residents must call Allied Waste at 1-800-442-9006 by 3 pm on Friday to schedule a free pick up on the following Monday. Allied Waste reserves the right to limit the amount and type of items picked up as bulky waste.

Trash Carts are identified by a serial number assigned to a specific address. If the resident moves, the trash cart must stay at the address. Stolen carts must be reported to the Billerica Police Department. New owners are responsible for replacement cart fee if original cart is missing.

Contact the DPW Administration office Room G-11 to arrange for a second trash cart or to request a cart for new construction (for properties never receiving a cart). Application forms are available at the DPW Admin office in Town Hall room G-11 and on-line at www.billericadpw.org. For additional information call 978-436-9178.

Trash and recycling must be curbside by 7 AM (No earlier than 5 PM on the day before trash collection.) The cart must be accessible to the automated arm on the truck; allow adequate clearance between the cart and all obstacles including mailboxes, trees, parked cars etc. See collection calendar for holiday schedule. For missed trash or recycling contact Allied Waste at 1-800-442-9006 or the Town of Billerica at 978-436-9178 before 3 PM on the day following the scheduled collection.

The following items are banned from disposal with household trash: recyclable material (cardboard, paper, bottles, jars, cans etc.), yard waste, construction debris, hazardous material, appliances, TVs, computer monitors, fluorescents bulbs and items containing mercury.

Recycling

Billerica's recycling is collected weekly and processed through a "dual-stream" system. Material should be sorted prior to being placed at the curb. Bottles and cans (plastic glass and metal) must be separated from paper (magazines, catalogs, newspapers, junk mail etc) and cardboard. Allied Waste is not expected to hand-sort mixed recycling. If material is left behind because it was not prepared correctly, resident will need to prepare it for collection in the following week.

Recycle bins are available for sale at the Treasurer's Office in Town Hall. You may also use a trash barrel for recycling. Use two barrels/ bins to separate bottles and cans from paper and cardboard. Barrels must be labeled for recycling, get a free label at Town Hall Room G-11.

See back page of this guide for more information or call Recycling Coordinator at 978-671-1337.

Additional Information

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Appliance, CRT and Tire Collection Program (Not accepted with curbside trash collection)

To schedule pick up of an item: call **Appliance Recyclers: toll free 1-877-228-2898**
or go to **www.applrecyl.com**

Payment may be made by check or on-line with a credit card. PayPal account is not required.
Pick-up date is scheduled after payment is received.

| Item: | Price per Item |
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| White Goods with Freon (for example refrigerators or air conditioners) | \$12 |
| White Goods without Freon (for example washers or dryers) or large wall mounted microwave ovens | \$10 |
| Small electronics including: CRTs or flat monitors 12" or less, laptops, VCRs, DVD players, counter top microwave ovens. | \$5 |
| Medium CRTs, televisions and other monitors with screens 13"- 24" measured on the diagonal. Pickup of CRT includes CPU, keyboard, mouse and desktop printer. | \$10 |
| Large CRTs, televisions and other monitors with 25" - 31" screen or greater measured on the diagonal. Pickup of CRT includes CPU, keyboard, mouse and desktop printer. | \$20 |
| Very Large CRTs, televisions and other monitors with screen 32" or larger measured on the diagonal. Pickup of CRT includes CPU, keyboard, mouse and desktop printer. | \$30 |
| Tires (Automobile, SUV or pickup truck) | \$5 |
| Other large metal items including: furnaces, boilers, radiators, wood stoves, metal storage sheds, metal bulkheads, snow blowers, ride-on and push lawn mowers, metal bathtubs, treadmills, garage door openers, or gas grills. | \$10 |

Appliance Recyclers may take other items. For questions call 1-877-228-2898

Prices will be in place from July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012

Fluorescent Bulbs - Mercury Recovery - Non-Alkaline Batteries

Items containing mercury require special handling in order to limit the risk of exposure. Thermometers, thermostats, mercury switches and button cell batteries can be dropped off at the Board of Health office in Town Hall.

Fluorescent bulbs including compact bulbs contain a small amount of mercury. Do not put them in the trash. They can be dropped off at O'Connor Hardware or at the DPW Administration office in Town Hall.

Bring small non-alkaline batteries to DPW Administration Room G-11 The following rechargeable batteries can be recycled at the DPW, Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd), Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH), Lithium-Ion (Li-ion), Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn) or see www.call2recycle.org for other drop-off locations.

Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off

Saturday October 15, 2011 9 am – 1 pm at the
DPW Highway Yard - 250 Boston Road

Watch DPW website for updated announcements www.billericadpw.org

Acceptable Waste:

Radiator Cleaners
Oven Cleaners
Ammonia
Dry Cleaning Fluids
Floor Cleaners
Cesspool Cleaners
Degreasers
Arts & Crafts supplies
Metal Polish
Photo Chemicals
Creosote
Wood Preservatives
Wood Strippers
Oil Based Paints
Paint Thinner

Acceptable Waste:

Insect Spray
Pesticides
Rat Poison
Herbicides
Moth Balls
Brake Fluid
Gasoline
Antifreeze
Rust Preventatives
Engine/Radiator Flush
Pool Chemicals
Muriatic Acid
Solvents
Sealants
Kerosene

Unacceptable Waste:

Commercial Wastes
Industrial Wastes
Radioactive Wastes
Pathogenic Waste
Drugs regulated by FDA
Gas Cylinders
Fireworks
Explosives
Ammunition
Fire Extinguishers *1
Smoke Alarms *2
Alkaline Batteries *3
Waste Automobile Oil *4
Lead Acid Batteries / Tires *5
Latex Paint *6
Propane Tanks *7

Notes:

- *1 Small Kitchen Fire Extinguishers can go in regular trash. Call Fire and Safety Corp. for more information 978-649-4945
- *2 Smoke Detectors can go in the trash. Remove battery; See page 4 for non alkaline batteries.
- *3 Alkaline Batteries go in the regular trash.
- *4 Waste Automobile Oil collected monthly at the DPW yard (see schedule on page 2).
- *5 Bring Lead Acid Batteries and Tires to Holland Auto Parts. Call 978-667-9235 for schedule/fees. Appliance Recyclers will pick up tires. See page 4 for contact information and fee.
- *6 Empty or dried out Latex Paint cans go in the trash. Special additive to dry out latex paint is sold at hardware stores.
- *7 O'Connor Hardware and Taylor Rental accept large propane tanks. U-Haul accepts both large and small propane tanks. Fees Apply.

Construction & Demolition Debris (C&D)

Disposal of C & D from household building or renovation projects is the homeowner's responsibility. C & D is banned from disposal with regular trash and includes treated and untreated wood, brick, concrete, asphalt, and similar items. Resident must contact a licensed C&D disposal company. See page 6 for suggestions or consider donating reusable building material to a non-profit such as Habitat for Humanity of Greater Lowell or Building Materials Resource Center in Boston.

Prescription Drug Take Back

Prescription drugs should not be placed into the trash or down the drain. A prescription drug take back day will be conducted by the Police Department in September 2011 for expired or unneeded prescription drugs. Please watch police website www.billericapolice.com for updates.

Yard Waste Collection:

Spring Collection: April 19 - May 20

Fall Collection: Oct 31 – Dec 2

Collection is on former trash day. (Mon - Fri)

See www.billericadpw.org or call 978-436-9178

For leaves, grass clippings and small brush.

Use biodegradable trash bags, or trash barrels

labeled for YARD WASTE. No plastic bags.

Christmas Tree Pick up - Jan 2011

Collected on the first two trash days in 2011

Jan 3 and Jan 10.

Yard Waste Disposal - Other

Call for information and fees

B.M.C Corporation - 978-667-2171

1079 South Street - Tewksbury

Landscape Express - 781-933-3818

218 New Boston Street - Woburn

Jones Farm - 978-256-8065

246 Acton Road - Chelmsford

Compost bins

Purchase Compost bins at DPW Administration Office, Room G-11 in Town Hall.

Call first to confirm availability 978-436-9178

BRUSH BURNING

Please Remember!!

**Brush Burning is only allowed between
January 15 - April 30 (10 am - 4 pm)**

Residents must register at the Fire Station every day, before burning brush. If conditions are not safe, brush burning is not permitted.

Call 978-671-0940 after 8:30 am.

Rain Barrels

Watch for information in the spring.

www.billericadpw.org

Construction and Demolition C&D

Call for information and fees

Allied Waste - for pick up, call 1-800-442-9006

C.J. Mabardy - Cambridge 617-354-7580

Graniteville Recycling - Westford 978-692-3532

Or use a Bagster - sold at O'Connor Hardware

Donate useable items:

Please consider donating useable items in good condition to a local charity or thrift shop.

The Lowell Wish Project

1 A Foundry Street Lowell, MA

call for info 978-441-WISH (9474)

www.TheWishProject.org

Mission of Deeds

6 Chapin Ave Reading MA

(781) 944-9797

<http://www.missionofdeeds>

Salvation Army Thrift Store

625 Main Street Wilmington, MA

978-988-9488

Planet Aid Collection Boxes in Billerica

(Drop off clean clothing and shoes)

See website for bin locations

<http://www.planetaid.org>

Also try Billerica Freecycle

Give items away or search for free items.

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BillericaFreecycle/>

Got Books collection boxes

Check local schools for a collection box, see website for other locations <http://gotbooks.com>

Or call 978-284-2500 for a pick up.

<http://gotbooks.com>

Paper Retriever collection bins

Drop off clean mixed paper, no cardboard or chipboard.

See website for locations

<http://www.paperretriever.com/default.asp?id=1>

Recycle Bins

Purchase recycle bins at Treasurer's office in Town Hall, Room 113. You may use a trash barrel for recycling.

Use two barrels/bins to separate bottles and cans from paper and cardboard. Barrels must be labeled for recycling; get a free label at Town Hall.

Other Recycling Resources:

DPW website: www.billericadpw.org

Earth 911 <http://earth911.com/>

Mass Recycle <http://www.massrecycle.org/>

MA DEP <http://www.mass.gov/dep/recycle/reducere.htm>

TRASH COLLECTION RULES AND REGULATIONS

5.7.002 Municipal Solid Waste Disposal and Collection: Collection dates and routes will be determined by the Town of Billerica and may be subject to change pending contractual obligations or other circumstances. To prevent missed pickup trash and recycling must be out by 7 am.

(1) HOLIDAY COLLECTIONS: If a holiday falls on the scheduled collection day for a collection route, collection will commence on the following day.

(2) CURRENT ACCEPTABLE WASTES: Acceptable wastes shall mean all solid waste which can be placed into acceptable containers, excluding, inherently dangerous, toxic and hazardous wastes which shall from time to time be designated as "hazardous wastes" by State or Federal regulatory authorities having appropriate jurisdiction.

(3) CURRENT UNACCEPTABLE WASTES: As of the adoption of this regulation,

- (a) Construction and Demolition debris. (C&D)
- (b) Any of the following, in whole or in part: Auto hulks, engine blocks, transmission blocks, heavy machinery, skimobiles, motorcycles or tractors.
- (c) Stumps, regardless of size, and limbs or branches exceeding two and one half (2'/-) inches in diameter or four (4) feet in length.
- (d) Pathological wastes.
- (e) Toxic and volatile chemicals, such as but not limited to: Oil based paint, paint thinner, paint remover, insecticides, herbicides, pool chemicals, household solvents, driveway sealers, hazardous craft supplies, wood strippers, or any other household chemicals.
- (f) Explosives.
- (g) Automobile batteries, tires, motor oil and antifreeze.
- (h) Rechargeable batteries, Non-alkaline batteries.
- (i) Fluorescent bulbs.
- (j) Propane gas tanks or other flammable materials.
- (k) Items not appearing as unacceptable waste may still be unacceptable. Residents are required to contact the Town of Billerica or its contractor for the proper determinations.

(4) CONTAINER: Household trash must be placed in an official Billerica Trash Cart. Use a regular trash bag for trash placed in the cart to prevent litter when the cart is emptied and to keep the cart clean. Trash that does not fit in the cart with the lid closed, must be placed in official overflow bags. Residents may arrange for a second trash cart. Contact DPW for information;fee applies.

(5) Trash and recycling shall be placed on the curbside no earlier than 5 pm on the day prior to collection and no later than 7 am on the day of collection. Collection shall not commence earlier than 7 am.

(6) Prior to collection it is the resident's responsibility to maintain safe and sanitary conditions at the curbside collection point and to otherwise comply with these regulations.

(7) Containers shall be removed within twelve (12) hours after daily collection and must be stored out of sight of public view in a secure location.

(8) BULKY WASTE COLLECTION: Residents must call Allied Waste by Friday to schedule pick up on the following Monday. Items such as sofas, chairs, tables, mattresses and box springs and carpeting are considered bulky waste. Other items that do not fit in the trash cart may also be considered bulky waste. Allied Waste reserves the right to limit the amount and type of items picked up as bulky waste. Call Allied Waste at 1-800-442-9006.

(9) YARD WASTE: Leaves, grass clippings and small brush will be collected following yard waste schedule as determined by the Town of Billerica. Yard Waste is banned from disposal with household trash. Place yard waste in biodegradable bags or trash barrels clearly labeled for Yard Waste. Collection is on former trash schedule and is based on street address.

(10) APPLIANCES/WHITE GOODS: Items such as, but not limited to, refrigerators, freezers, washing machines, dryers, hot water heaters, ovens, dishwashers, air conditioners, trash compactors, dehumidifiers, etc., are collected separately. Residents make payment and schedule pickup directly with Appliance Recyclers 1-877-228-2898.

(11) CATHODE RAY TUBES (CRT) ITEMS: Televisions, computer monitors, and other CRT items must be collected separately. Residents make payment and schedule pickup directly with Appliance Recyclers 1-877-228-2898.

(12) CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING MATERIALS INCLUDING EARTH AND GRAVEL WILL NOT BE COLLECTED: Building contractors will be responsible for the proper disposal of all construction and building material or other debris resulting from work performed around residences. Residents performing home improvements are responsible for proper disposal of building materials. Residents cannot dispose of these materials with weekly curbside pick up.

Notice: These Rules and regulations are subject to change.

TOWN OF BILLERICA CURBSIDE RECYCLING

Dual - stream Recycling: Separate recyclable material

| <u>Material</u> | <u>What to Recycle</u> | <u>How to prepare</u> | <u>Do not include</u> |
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| <u>Paper - Cardboard go together</u> | | | |
| <u>PAPER</u> | Newspaper and inserts Magazines Junk Mail Catalogs Office Paper Glossy paper etc | Use paper bag to hold paper or place inside recycle bin | Do not use plastic bags to hold any recycling No soiled paper (used plates, napkins, etc) |
| <u>CARDBOARD</u> | Corrugated cardboard Chipboard (cereal box etc) | Flatten boxes and cut NO Larger than 30" x 30" Tie or tape bundles NO thicker than 8" Remove all packing material and liners | No take out pizza boxes No soiled cardboard No milk or juice cartons |

Recyclables must NOT be placed in plastic bags.

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| <u>Plastic - Glass - Metal go together</u> | | | |
| <u>PLASTIC</u> | Containers 1 thru 7 Food & beverage containers Detergent bottles | Rinse clean, remove lids Labels OK | No plastic bags or shrink wrap No Styrofoam or packing material No Motor Oil bottles |
| <u>GLASS</u> | Jars & Bottles (all colors) | Rinse clean, remove lids Labels OK | No broken glass No Pyrex or ceramics No window glass |
| <u>METAL</u> | Aluminum, steel and tin cans | Rinsed clean, labels OK | No other metal items No Aerosol or paint cans No aluminum foil or pans |

Town of Billerica
365 Boston Road
Billerica, MA 01821

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| Pre-sorted Standard U.S. Postage PAID No. Billerica, MA PERMIT # 3 |
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RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER

Remember
Place recycling at the curbside separate from the trash,
if possible on opposite side of driveway or walkway.
www.billericadpw.org

