

Solid Waste Management

REMINDERS FOR SUCCESSFUL CURBSIDE COLLECTION IN 2019!

Limits & Restrictions

The table to the **right** outlines the collection limits (quantity) and restrictions (weights & materials) for a residential household for every collection day. If you own an apartment building or business and would like more information on limits at those locations please call us at the Solid Waste Hotline.

Note: Garbage and recycling bags are not to exceed standard sizes (~25 inches x 33 inches).

Timing

Multiple trucks collect material from your property, and they do not necessarily travel together. For this reason, it is important to have all your materials curbside by 7:00 a.m.

Same Day Collection with Multiple Trucks

Curbside collection is based on week 1 = collection and week 2 = no collection. Therefore, your garbage, recyclables, green cart and other acceptable items must be placed curbside on the same day. Multiple trucks means that collection of some materials may be earlier in the day compared to other materials.

Reporting a Missed Collection

If you believe your material was missed, or you have another concern with collection, please let us know. You can report your concern to the Solid Waste Hotline (same day is best!) at 1-888-873-3332. If it is after 4:00 p.m. please leave a message with your name, number, civic address and concern.

GARBAGE: Limit 5 bags



- No **RED**, **ORANGE** or **YELLOW** bags will be collected
- Black or green bags ONLY
- Max weight 25kg/55lbs per bag
- No construction & renovation waste

FURNITURE:

- Limit 3 pieces (ex. sofa or chair)
- Max weight 100kg/220lbs per item

ORGANICS:

- 1 municipal issued cart (max. 220lbs)
- 6 paper leaf bags
- 5 bundles of brush (2ft x 2ft x 4ft bundles; max 35lbs; no branch diameter larger than 2.5 inches)

RECYCLABLES: Limit 8 bags/bundles



- Clear or transparent blue bags only
- Max weight 25kg/55lbs per bag

ELECTRONICS:

- 1 larger item (ex. TV or computer)
- 1 small box of accessories (ex. cords, remotes, computer mice, keyboards)

METAL:

- 1 household appliance (ex. stove)
- 3 smaller items (bicycle, BBQ)

- × No construction materials are collected curbside—take to the Waste Management Centre
- × No household hazardous wastes are collected curbside—see inside the newsletter for more information

Collection day changes for 2019?

NO!

Your collection 'AREA' and day of the week are the same. If you are unsure of your collection day you can go online to easthants.ca/solid-waste and type in your civic address OR you can call the Solid Waste Hotline at 1-888-873-3332



When in Doubt,

"Check before you Chuck"

Following a fire at the East Hants Waste Management Centre in June 2018, we are advising folks of common household products that require some additional consideration for proper disposal.

easthants.ca/solid-waste



Batteries: For items so small they can be a **BIG** hazard. Batteries can be dropped off for recycling at the Waste Management Centre or visit call2recycle.ca for battery and cellphone drop-off locations near you.



Medical Needles or Sharps: Every pharmacy in Nova Scotia offers free sharps containers, and will take full ones back.



Pressurized Containers: These do not belong in the garbage or recycling. Please drop-off at one of our mobile community events or at the Waste Management Centre year-round.



Paints: Leftover paint and empty paint cans are accepted at ENVIRO-DEPOTS, designated retailers, and at the Waste Management Centre.



Household Chemicals: If you have no use for a particular cleaner, offer it to a family member or neighbour. If not, they are accepted at our mobile community events or at the Waste Management Centre.



Pharmaceuticals: Never flush old medications! Return unused or expired medications to your local pharmacy for proper disposal.

AC2019

**ARE YOU A BUSINESS OWNER?
DO YOU SIT ON A COMMUNITY GROUP COMMITTEE?
LET OUR TEAM HELP YOU!**



The Solid Waste staff can help you understand your waste needs to best plan for your work & events.

With our help you will ensure you are doing all the right things (sorting), but only paying for the services you really need. Do you need such a big dumpster? Should you consider monthly pick-up instead of weekly? What services are available by the municipal curbside collection program?

This support will keep more of your money in your budget for other things.

**This is just another service we provide.
Call our hotline to connect with us at 1-888-873-3332**



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Recycling - max. 8 bags/bundles
Organics Cart - max. weight 220lbs



Alternate
Holiday
Collection

April 2019 calendar grid with collection days highlighted in yellow.

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Organics: Green Cart

Maximum Weight 220lbs



All Food Waste

Including fruit and vegetable peelings, meat, fish, dairy products, cooking oil and fat (cooled, wipe with paper towel and place in cart), bones, coffee grounds & filters, tea bags, eggshells.

Soiled Paper

Paper towels, tissues, paper plates, napkins, sugar & flour bags, freezer & waxed paper, pizza boxes.

Yard Waste/Other

Grass, leaves, twigs, plants, sawdust, wood shavings.

***NEW* Kitty Litter is now accepted!**

Not for the Cart

- x No Plastic bags (including those labeled 'biodegradable')
- x No Ashes
- x No Cans, Bottles, or Cups
- x No Decorations or Wire Wreaths
- x No Milk Containers
- x No Rocks, Sod, or Dirt
- x No Dog Waste

Note:

Excess organic material can be placed next to your green cart in up to 6 paper bags or open top containers, like a cardboard box, year round.

Recyclables: Blue Bags

Max. 8 bags/bundles per collection, transparent blue or clear bags only

Bag #1: Paper Products

- Textiles
- Catalogues, Magazines, Flyers
- Boxboard (i.e. cereal, tissue, and cracker boxes)
- Phonebooks
- Office & School Paper
- Paper Egg Cartons
- Paper Towel & Toilet Paper Cores
- Corrugated Cardboard (Must be bundled no larger than 2ft x 3ft x 1ft)
- Newsprint
- Envelopes, File Folders
- Non Donate-able Books (hard covers are garbage)

Bag #2: Containers

- Styrofoam™
- Aluminum Cans & Pie Plates
- Glass Bottles & Jars, Milk Cartons, Jugs & Bags
- Steel & Tin Cans
- Juice Boxes/Tetra Packs
- Plastic containers and bags with recycling numbers 1-7

Recycling Collection Notes:

- Paper must be clean and dry. Metal fasteners and plastic bindings must be removed and placed in regular garbage.
- Containers must be clean and dry, **NO CAPS, NO NEEDLES.**
- Beverage containers (excluding milk products) can be returned to an ENVIRO-DEPOT™ for refund.

Metal Collection:

- A separate truck is used to collect metal items, therefore, collection may occur at a different time from your other recyclables. Please make sure your metal items are visible (not hidden by other bags).
- 1 large household appliance per collection (stove, fridge, etc.).
- Up to 3 other large metal items will be collected bi-weekly. Examples: microwaves, toasters, air conditioner, dehumidifier, bicycle, BBQ, cardboard box with pots, pans, utensils.
- CFCs do not need to be removed from fridges for collection (the Municipality will remove CFCs).
- Items that cannot fit into the collection truck will not be collected.



Garbage: Black Bags

Max.5 bags per collection, black or green bags only

- Aluminum Foil (soiled)
- Coffee Cups (disposable)
- Floor Sweepings
- Frozen Juice Cans
- Light Bulbs
- Broken Glass, Ceramic Dishes (wrapped)
- Cleaner Containers (non-recyclable)
- Broken Toys
- Microwave Popcorn Bags
- Potato Chip Bags
- Dog Feces
- Toothpaste Tubes
- Vacuum Cleaner Bags
- Diapers & Baby Wipes

Note:

- Garbage in **Red, Yellow** or **Orange** bags will not be collected.
- Up to three large pieces of furniture (i.e. mattress, sofa), or other small household items can be placed for collection on your regular garbage day.
- **Construction & Demolition Debris (C&D) is not collected curbside and should be taken to the Waste Management Centre in Georgefield for disposal. C&D includes siding, wood, flooring, windows, insulation, etc.**

HHW: Household Hazardous Waste

Acceptable Items (at mobile events and the WMC)

- Pesticides/Herbicides
- Paint * (empty cans too)
- Poisons
- Aerosols
- Propane Tanks & Cylinders
- Gas & Oil
- Aerosol Cans *
- Batteries (all types)
- Corrosive Cleaners

Drop-Off Details

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April 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19 Good Friday	20 Good Friday Collection
21 Easter	22 Easter Monday	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

May 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Victoria Day	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

June 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29

July 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
	1 Canada Day	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

August 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
				1	2	3
4	5 Civic Holiday	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

September 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2 Labour Day	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

October 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Thanksgiving Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

November 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Remembrance Day	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

December 2019						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23 Christmas Collection	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28 Boxing Day Collection
29	30	31				

January 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1 New Years Day	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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February 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
						1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 Heritage Day	18	19	20	21	22
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March 2020						
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Saturday
8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

Closed
Sundays & Holidays

Hotline
1-888-873-3332

Reminders

- All loads must be covered/secure when transporting material to the WMC.
- All materials need to be properly sorted and separated.
- When arriving at the facility, all vehicles must stop and check-in at the Scale House.
- Due to the volume of traffic and the heavy equipment at the WMC, please follow the instructions from staff to ensure your safety.

Material We Manage

There are separate drop-off areas for the materials. Using the list below, you can have your items separated before you arrive.

- Tires (with or without rims)
- Metal (staff remove CFCs from appliances on-site)
- Paint
- Electronics
- Regular garbage
- Recyclables
- Clean wood
- Construction waste
- Household hazardous waste (residential only)

Notes from Staff

- Mirrors, window glass, dishes, pool liners, mattresses and couches are all regular garbage.
- Construction waste is not garbage, and must be separated before disposal at the WMC. Example: insulation is construction waste.

MEDICAL NEEDLES & SHARPS

Sharps in garbage bags can present a real health risk or cause serious harm to those providing us curbside collection services. Let's all do our part to help everyone go home safe at the end of the work day.

Every pharmacy in Nova Scotia offers free sharps containers, and will take full ones back.



2019 Household Hazardous Waste & Paper Shred Events

Saturday, September 14th
15 Commerce Court, Elmsdale
(Lloyd E. Matheson Centre Parking Lot)

Sunday, September 15th
654 Highway 1, Mount Uniacke
(Fire Hall Parking Lot)



Composting in East Hants

Each household is provided a large green cart for organics collection. Sometimes carts get damaged by regular usage, critters chewing at vents, or plows. To request your cart be fixed or replaced, please call the Solid Waste Hotline at 1-888-873-3332.

If you are building a new home, your cart will be delivered within 2-3 weeks of receiving your occupancy permit (we receive this directly from the Planning & Development Department). If you are moving, please leave your green cart on the property.

Backyard composting is a cost-effective and environmentally friendly way to manage most food scraps. But for those items that don't belong there — please use your green cart.

NEW IN 2019

Kitty Litter is now accepted in your green cart for composting.

For best results follow our "Green Bin Liner Options."

Green Bin Liner Options

Lining your green bin can help to keep it clean by absorbing liquids and preventing food from sticking to the bottom of your cart. Here's what you can and can't use in East Hants.



Newspaper



Other Paper Bags



Paper Liner Bags



Plastic bags, even those labelled as "Compostable" or "Biodegradable" are not accepted.