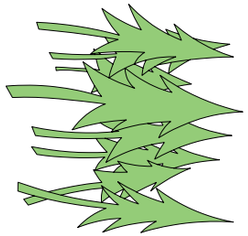

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Guide

To Waste Disposal

And Recycling for the

Town of Weston

Incorporated 1787

TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Monday—Friday	8:00 am to 3:45 pm
Saturday	8:00 am to 2:45 pm
Location	**Telephone**
237 Godfrey Road East	222-2668

Dear Weston Resident,

In 1993, Weston began implementing regulations governing the disposal of household waste. At that time, a flyer was sent to all residents. Since so many new people have moved to Weston in the past few years, we want to send this information to all residents again. This flyer is designed to help you understand the regulations as they apply to solid waste, bulky waste and hazardous waste items.

First, there are fees and procedures for the disposal of your **solid waste**. Solid waste is your regular garbage, including food waste, packaging, paper or plastic bags, paper towels, tissue, and the like. Under Weston's regulations, you will be charged a fee for each 30# bag of garbage you bring to the transfer station. The more you throw away, the greater your cost.

Second, a fee based on weight will be charged for the disposal of **bulky waste** items. Bulky waste includes scrap material, construction debris, old furniture, and similar large items. *No leaves, grass or brush will be accepted.*

Third, there are a number of items that must be recycled. These **recyclable materials** include glass, newspapers, metals, plastics, cardboard, storage batteries, electronics, waste oil and scrap metal. Recyclables may be deposited in containers at the Weston Transfer Station without charge.

All **Hazardous waste** items should be safely stored and saved for disposal at Weston's Hazardous Waste Collection Day. .

Weston hopes these regulations will help achieve its goal of reducing solid waste by at least 25%, recycling to reduce pollution and conserve resources, and handling hazardous waste to preserve the town's high water quality.

TRANSER STATION FEES

Resident Fees:

Recyclables	Free, except tires
Tires	$3 per car tire and $4 per truck tire (without rims)
	Payment must be made by check at the time of drop-off.
Bulky Waste	15 cents a pound
	Payment must be made by check at the time of drop-off.
Solid Waste	$1.50 per sticker
	One sticker per bag is required.

Elderly Tax Relief Program:
75 cents per sticker—Town Program
50 cents per sticker—State Program
(Annual maximum of 50 stickers at reduced price)

VEHICLE STICKER

A sticker is required for any residential vehicle delivering solid waste, bulky waste, or recyclables to the Weston transfer station. The sticker will be issued free to Weston residents with the motor vehicle tax bills each June, and is valid for one year. If you need more than one sticker, or if you are a new resident, please call or visit the Selectmen's Office at Town Hall, 56 Norfield Road, 222-2656. Vehicle stickers also allow residents the use of parking areas at town parks.

PENALTIES

Residents and haulers who don't follow town regulations outlined in this flyer may be fined. For residents, the fine is $100 per violation. For haulers, the fine is $1000 for the first violation, and $5000 for each subsequent violation. Persistent violations may result in the suspension of Weston Transfer Station privileges.

SOLID WASTE AND BULKY WASTE

For residents who personally deliver waste items to the Transfer Station.

Solid Waste:

Solid waste consists of regular garbage, including food waste, packaging, paper or plastic bags, paper towels, tissue, and the like.

A sticker is required for each bag of solid waste. Place the sticker on the garbage bag before throwing it into the solid waste compactor. There is a maximum of 30 pounds per bag. The Transfer Station Operator periodically checks the weight of bags.

Stickers can be purchased in person at the Selectmen's Office in Town Hall, 56 Norfield Road. Stickers are also available at Weston Hardware.

For those on Elderly Tax Relief, discounted stickers may be purchased in person at the Tax Collector's Office in Town Hall, 56 Norfield Road.

Stickers **CANNOT** be purchased at the Transfer Station.

Licensed haulers operating in Weston will be charged a tipping fee determined by the Town. It is the hauler's responsibility to determine customer fees.

Bulky Waste:

Bulky waste includes residential scrap material, demolition debris, construction material, old furniture, and similar large items.

Bulky waste items will be weighed by the Transfer Station Operator at the scale station. Payment must be made by check at the time of drop-off.

There will be a special container at the Transfer Station for bulky waste items. Bulky waste items **cannot** be thrown into the solid waste compactor.

Contractors and others providing residential services will **not** be allowed to deliver bulky waste to the Transfer Station without a temporary vehicle sticker. For information, call the Selectmen's Office at 222-2656.

RECYCLING

*Clearly marked containers are provided for your recyclables at the Transfer Station. Items listed below **must** be recycled:*

Glass* includes empty, unbroken bottles and jars. Rinse well to avoid attracting insects and animals.
Labels may be left on, but caps must be discarded with regular garbage. Do ***not*** include drinking glasses, pyrex, mirrors, window or auto glass, light bulbs, or ceramics.

Metals* include empty food and beverage cans, clean aluminum food trays, aluminum foil. Rinse well. Labels may be left on. Do ***not*** include spray cans, paint cans, coat hangers, metal household items.

Plastics* include empty juice, soda, water, milk, and laundry detergent bottles, or any container marked with ♳thru ♷Rinse well. Labels may be left on, but caps must be discarded with regular garbage. Flatten large non-deposit items.
*Glass, metals, and plastics will be co-mingled in one container at the Weston Transfer Station and at your home as well.

Newspapers include unsoiled newspapers and all inserts. Tie newspapers with twine or put in paper bag. Do **not** include any other paper products.

Cardboard includes corrugated boxes and other corrugated and craft paper materials which have minimal contamination by food or other material. Cardboard boxes must be flattened, kept clean & dry.

Storage Batteries include lead acid batteries or other batteries used in vehicles. Do **not** include flashlight batteries; save for Hazardous Waste Collection Day.

Waste Oil includes crankcase oil that has been used in internal combustion engines. Waste oil does **not** include transmission fluid or cooling fluid; save for Hazardous Waste Day.

Scrap Metal includes used or discarded items which consist predominately of ferrous metals, aluminum, brass, copper, lead, chromium, tin or nickel. Typical items are refrigerators, washers, dryers, sheet metal, lawn furniture and bicycles.

RECYCLING

Recycling of the items listed below is not required. However, containers will be provided at the Weston Transfer Station for each of them:

Magazine and Junk Mail includes magazines, junk mail, catalogs, envelopes, construction paper (with paint, crayon or marker), fax paper, computer printouts, non-metallic wrapping paper. Keep dry.

You can reduce your volume of junk mail by writing to the Direct Marketing Association, Mail Preference Service, P.O. Box 9008, Farmingdale, NY 11735, and asking to be removed from mailing lists. If there is a specific list from which you want to be removed, send your name and address to the company responsible for the mail.

Office Paper includes used or discarded high-grade white paper and manila paper, including but not limited to, paper used for file folders, tab cards, writing, typing, printing, computer printing and photocopying. The paper must have minimal contamination.

Tires include car tires and truck tires, without rims. There is a fee of $3 per car tire, $4 per truck tire. Payment must be made by check at time of drop-off.

Leaves, Grass and Brush will not be accepted. You can compost these materials, keep them in a suitable place on your property, or dispose of them through a local garbage/lawn service.

Information on composting is available at the Weston Town Clerk's Office, libraries, the Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection and through environmental groups.

Weston now has recycling for electronics. This includes computers, printers, televisions, monitors, fluorescent light bulbs, small batteries and other small electronic items.

Northeast Utilities has an "appliance pick-up program" for disposal of spare, working refrigerators and freezers. For more information call

1-800-527-4587.

HAZARDOUS WASTE

Many household items contain hazardous substances that pose health and environmental risks. Almost all Weston homes have private wells. Protecting the quality of our water resources is essential.

The following items should **not** be thrown in the trash,

acids	motor oils
aerosols	oil-based paints
ammonia-based cleaners	oven cleaners
anti-freeze	paint removers
disinfectants	paint thinners
drain openers	pesticides
flea powder	photo chemicals
furniture polish	rust removers
gasoline	spot removers
herbicides	stains
household batteries	swimming pool chemicals
household cleaners	toilet bowl cleaners
insect ides	transmission fluid
kerosene	turpentine
moth balls	varnishes

Store hazardous products or waste in their original containers. Save your hazardous waste items for disposal on our Hazardous Waste Day. Weston's Collection Day is usually in April .

Tips for Reducing Trash and Conserving Resources

- Shop with reusable bags
- Buy in bulk or in recyclable containers
- Avoid disposable products and products with excessive packaging
- Buy recycled paper products when available
- Buy durable products, repair and reuse all you can
- Share unneeded items, clothing, books, eyeglasses, toys, furniture
- Consider composting
- Avoid hazardous household and garden products—alternatives exist

Support our local recycling program—

Participate!