

Recycling Made Easy!

Baltimore County's new **single stream recycling** program is here! With a wider range of accepted recyclables and **collection of both paper and bottles & cans each week**, it's more convenient than ever to recycle. Look inside for details of this exciting new program!

Did You Know?

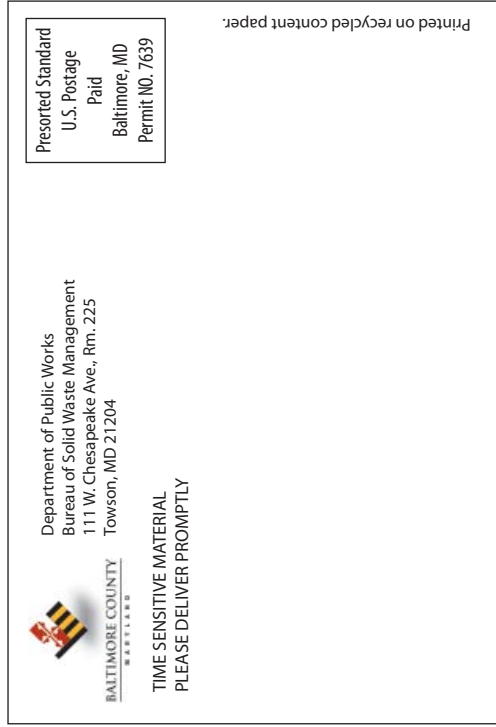
- It's more important than ever to recycle! Recycling is much more cost-effective, energy saving, and pollution reducing than disposing of material as trash. The County's only operating landfill is about half full. **However, Baltimore County residents are only recycling about 1 out of every 4 items that could be recycled.**
- It is now **illegal in Baltimore County for residents to dispose of most household electronics as trash.** For more information on how to recycle unwanted electronics such as computer equipment, TVs, VCRs, phones, etc., visit www.baltimorecountymd.gov/recycling or call 410-887-2000.
- **Residential Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) is accepted from April through November at the Eastern Sanitary Landfill.** For more information on HHW, call 410-887-3745 (the County's Dept. of Environmental Protection & Resource Management).
- Separate yard materials collections end by December 14 and resume in April of the following year (details inside).
- If your alley is blocked (preventing access by collection and/or emergency vehicles), call Police at 410-887-2222 to report it.
- Proper disposal of prescription medications is important! For more information on handling these materials, call 410-887-3745.



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Your 4-year trash/recycling collection schedule is on the reverse side. Please refold sheet to show schedule.

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General Trash/Recycling Collection Information

- Please place your trash, single stream recycling, and/or yard materials at your designated area after 6:00 p.m. the night before collection.
- Put your address on both containers and lids to increase chance of return.
- Trash and recyclables must not be set out for recycling collection in any container, box, or bundle that has a color associated with medical or hazardous wastes (red, pink, or yellow).

Trash Can Regulations

(non-compliance could result in non-collection of material and/or injury to a collection worker)

- Maximum filled weight for a trash can is 40 pounds.
- Maximum capacity for a trash can is 34 gallons.
- Lids must fit snugly, but must not be fastened to the can with rope, wire, chains, etc.
- Cans with hinged lids and/or wheels are not recommended (*due to difficulty in handling by collectors, and the lids/wheels being prone to breakage*).

Collection Holidays

(New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas)

Trash and single stream recycling are not collected on these days and drop-off centers are closed. Makeup collections for trash and yard materials are shown on the collection schedule; single stream recycling collections are skipped until the next scheduled recycling collection.

During weeks with collection holidays, there may be delays of a day or more in scheduled pickups – please leave materials out until collection occurs.

Inclement Weather

(when collection does not occur on a scheduled day)

- Trash or yard materials – leave items out; pickup will occur when conditions permit.
- Single stream recycling – bring items back and hold until the next scheduled recycling collection or use a drop-off center.
- Special updates – check www.baltimorecountymd.gov or call 410-887-2000.

Residents' Drop-Off Centers

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| Eastern Sanitary Landfill Solid Waste Management Facility (White Marsh) 6259 Days Cove Rd., off 11400 block of Pulaski Hwy. (Route 40 East) Mon. – Sat., 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Baltimore County Resource Recovery Facility (Cockeysville) Drop-Off Drive, off Warren Rd., 1/4 mile West of York Rd. and 1/4 mile East of Beaver Dam Rd. Mon. – Sat., 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Western Acceptance Facility (Halethorpe) 3310 Transway Rd., off 4500 block of Hollins Ferry Rd. Mon. – Sat., 7:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
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Residential Recyclables: Baltimore County residents may take their paper and bottles & cans (**no plastic bags**), antifreeze, electronics, household appliances, motor oil, passenger tires (up to 4 per visit; clean and off the rim), scrap metal, and vehicle and boat batteries to the centers above for recycling.

Residential Trash: In general, Baltimore County residents in non-commercial vehicles may take up to 2 loads of trash per week (maximum 6 loads per year) from their homes in a car, SUV, minivan, or pickup truck (bed of 4' x 8' or less) to the centers above for free disposal without prior authorization. Otherwise, call 410-887-2000 for a disposal authorization at least 10 working days in advance of the date you want to drop off your materials.

Recycling Made Easy - Single Stream Recycling Information





New materials accepted in single stream recycling program are highlighted in green!

All recyclables may now be mixed together for collection each week!

WE COLLECT:

Caps, labels, lids, and rings
OK for collection!

WE DON'T COLLECT:

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|  <p>METAL</p> | <p>✓ Aluminum and steel food and beverage cans, EMPTY aerosol cans, aluminum foil and pie pans</p> | <p>✗ Propane cylinders, pots and pans, scrap metal</p> |
|  <p>GLASS</p> | <p>✓ All colors of glass bottles and jars</p> | <p>✗ Dishes, ceramics, drinking glasses, window glass, light bulbs, mirrors, crystal, cookware (such as Corningware™, Pyrex®)</p> |
|  <p>PLASTIC</p> | <p>✓ Narrow-neck plastic bottles and jugs (with a ♻️ to ♻️ recycling symbol), wide-mouth plastic containers (such as butter, cottage cheese, peanut butter, and yogurt containers), rigid plastics (such as buckets, drinking cups, and flower pots)</p> | <p>✗ Plastic bags, Styrofoam™, clam shells (such as packaging for toys, batteries), CD jewel cases, motor oil containers, VHS tapes, plastic electronics</p> |
|  <p>PAPER & CARDBOARD</p> | <p>✓ Newspapers (including all inserts), magazines, phone books, catalogs, books, writing and computer paper, mail, paperboard (such as cereal, frozen food, and shoe boxes), cardboard (flattened), milk and juice cartons/boxes</p> | <p>✗ Paper or cardboard covered by wax, plastic, or food; Kleenex®; foil gift wrap</p> |

Single Stream Collection Regulations

- Recyclables may be mixed together and set out for recycling collection in a variety of containers, including:
 - recycling containers up to 34 gallon capacity;
 - trash containers up to 34 gallon capacity used only for recycling (marked with a large “X” or “RECYCLE”); or
 - small cardboard boxes (boxes collected with contents).
- Paper and cardboard may also be tied in bundles with non-plastic string or placed in paper bags for collection.
- Containers are limited to a maximum filled weight of 40 pounds. Boxes, bundles, and bags are limited to a maximum filled weight of 30 pounds.
- If the container has a lid, the lid must not be fastened to the container with rope, wire, chains, etc.
- Containers with hinged lids and/or wheels are not recommended (due to difficulty in handling by collectors, and the lids/wheels being prone to breakage).
- Recyclables must not be set out for recycling collection in plastic bags of any type or color** (plastic bags will not be collected in order to prevent processing complications at the “single stream” recycling sorting facility).



Yard Materials Collection

We Collect: Grass, leaves, vines, twigs, shrubbery trimmings, and branches and limbs

We Don't Collect: Poison ivy, oak, or sumac; giant hogweed, lumber, food scraps, garden hose, etc.

Collection Note: If and when there is a Y on your schedule (check 4/1-12/14), yard materials will be collected separately for recycling and will not be collected with trash. If and when there is no Y on your schedule, yard materials may be placed out for trash collection.

- Place grass and leaves in paper (preferred) or plastic lawn and leaf bags. Branches and limbs must be no larger than 3 inches in diameter, no longer than 3 feet, and tied in bundles. Bag or bundle other materials. Maximum weight for a bag or bundle is 30 pounds. Do not place yard materials in trash containers or the street.

COLLECTION SCHEDULE ON REVERSE SIDE.