

Hardwick Recycling Center Acceptable Items & Guidelines

* 2011 Barre Rd * Open Wednesday 9:00AM-11:00 AM & Saturday 8:00AM-12:00 PM *

CENTER IS CLOSED IF QUABBIN REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT IS CLOSED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

Compactable Items - Clean and sorted recyclables that are accepted *free* at the roll-offs up top include the following:

Mixed Paper and Cardboard - The paper must be dry. Boxes must be flattened. Boxes must be cut to a maximum of 3ft X 3ft prior to placing in compactor.

Wallpaper, metallic wrapping paper, tissue, and wax paper is not accepted. Please be sure there is no grease residue, food particles or dirt on the paper you are recycling.

Co-mingle - glass, plastics and cans (metal and aluminum food cans and trays and ridged plastics). **Large ridged plastic such as children's plastic pools, totes, etc. need to be cut down to 2ft X 3ft before accepted.**

NO paint or petroleum product containers, plastic bags, plastic wrapping, six-pack rings, zip ties/straps or styrofoam.

CHECKS MUST BE MADE OUT TO THE TOWN OF HARDWICK.

Dropping Off Hard to Manage Items: Notify staff/volunteers that you have items to drop off (electronics, appliances, fluorescent bulbs, ballasts, batteries, tires, oil filters, etc.). Staff will provide a cart for any large items, and will accompany you to identify the items brought in. Get in line in front of the office PAYMENT window to make your payment and obtain your receipt. **WE NOW EXCEPT HARD TO MANAGE ITEMS (TVs, electronics, lightbulbs etc.) FROM NON PERMIT USERS. Please see staff for information.**

Electronics & White Waste The following fees are charged to cover the cost of hauling and processing:

Televisions:	
25" and under	\$12
26" up to 35	\$25
36" and up	\$40
Computer Monitors	\$12
Hard drive/Tower	\$12
Copier (small)	\$10
Copier (large floor model)	\$25
Large dehumidifier	\$15
Small dehumidifier	\$10

Air conditioner/Refrigerator	\$20
Microwave	\$10
Stereo System w/speakers	\$12
Printer, scanner, fax machine	\$10
VCR, DVD player	\$5
Vacuum/carpet cleaner	\$10
Gaming system	\$3
Telephone, answering machine, keyboard	\$5
Small household appliances, camera	\$3
Extra small gadgets/calculators	\$1

Automotive

Tires Passenger/Motorcycle – No Rims	\$4
Tires Light Truck – greater than 16" - No Rims	\$5
Tractor, Industrial – No Rims	\$125

Oil filter	\$1
Waste oil	Free

No mixing gas, anti-freeze, water, etc. with oil/antifreeze that is being dropped off.

Lighting/Lead/Mercury Items **Alkaline batteries are not accepted.**

Ballasts (PCB/Non-PCB containing)	\$2
Fluorescent tubes greater than 2 ft	\$1
Fluorescent tubes less than 2 ft	\$1

Lightbulbs	\$0.50
Thermometers	\$1
Thermostats	\$1

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Scrap Metal **Patrons are not allowed to take any scrap metal from the container.** Some scrap metal items are accepted for free disposal:

Snow blower, tiller, etc. (free of fluids)	FREE	Washer/Dryer	FREE
Lawnmower (free of fluids)	FREE	Residential water heater	FREE
Stove/Oven	FREE	Tools	FREE
Dishwasher	FREE	Car parts (free of fluids)	FREE
Farm implements	FREE	Aluminum shed	FREE
Grill	FREE	NO PROPANE OR HELIUM TANKS ACCEPTED	

Other Free Recycling Items – no longer accepting returnable bottles and cans.

Ink & Laser Cartridges - May be placed in the labeled drop-off box located in the garage.

Eyeglasses - May be placed in the labeled drop-off box located in the garage. These are donated to the Lions Club.

Cell Phones - Any condition may be placed in the labeled drop-off box located in the garage.

Egg Cartons - Empty and clean may be left at the garage.

Pet Supplies - Gently used (blankets, pet beds, unopened pet food, dog pens, pet feeding dishes, toys, leashes, etc.

Textiles - Planet Aid containers are available 24/7 at the center. **All textiles and shoes, missing or matched must be deposited in plastic bags (13-gallon size or smaller) Textiles must be clean, dry and free of any residue.**

Please see staff or website for more information/guidelines on textile recycling.

SWAP SHED RULES

Using Swap Shed – **ALL SWAP SHED PATRONS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE A VALID RECYCLING STICKER.** We ask that no more than ten (10) minutes per visit. Please follow the directional arrows.

Dropping off Swap Shed Items – The location to drop off items for the swap shed is in the third garage bay as they must be sorted. Make sure the items are clearly visible for staff to inspect prior to accepting the item(s) from you. **All items must be approved by a staff member and any items that are not acceptable will be returned to you before leaving.**

Swap Shed Items – Clean, usable items such as: books, CDs, DVDs, kitchen, household items, tools, construction material, games, toys, knick-knacks, lamps, etc. **ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN GOOD WORKING CONDITION. NO ITEMS THAT ARE BROKEN, CHIPPED, CRACKED, DIRTY OR STAINED WILL BE ACCEPTED.**

NO USED CANDLES

The following items will not be accepted.

PLAY PENS	EXTRA LARGE TODDLER TOYS	MEDICINES/SUPPLEMENTS
HIGHCHAIRS	BABY ACTIVITY CENTERS	SKIS
BABY SWINGS	BABY BATHS/SEATS	ELECTRONICS
BABY CARRIAGES/STROLLERS	BABY CRIBS	SUITCASES
BABY WALKERS	LARGE FURNITURE	MATTRESSES
CAR SEATS/BOOSTER SEATS	UPHOLSTERED FURNITURE	VHS TAPES

Parking Lot Safety

PARK IN DESIGNATED AREAS ONLY. NO PARKING IN FRONT OF SWAP SHED OR IN FRONT OF HARD TO MANAGE CONTAINERS.

For upcoming events or resources, please visit our website at www.hardwick-ma.gov/recycling-center.
Or contact us via email at recycling@townofhardwick.com

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