

Materials Accepted at the Resource Recovery Center

Material	Examples	Special instructions
Appliances & Freon Items	Washers, dryers, water heaters, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, dehumidifiers, stoves, dishwashers	Drop off at no cost (Request optional curbside pick-up for a fee)
Antifreeze & Motor Oil	Used oil filters (transmission and diesel) Tighten caps and lids Do not mix oil with gasoline or antifreeze	No leaking/exposed items accepted No 5 gallon containers accepted
Batteries	Button Cell Batteries: watches, hearing aids, calculators, etc. Auto Batteries: Boat, car, and ATV Lithium Primary Batteries Rechargeable Batteries: Lithium Ion, Nickel Metal Hydride, Nickel Cadmium, Lead Acid	Alkaline batteries made after 1994 do not contain mercury and are safe to be disposed of with the regular trash Keep Lithium Ion batteries separate. Also accepted at many hardware or office supply stores Continued on the next page

Books	Books in good condition	Drop off at the Book Shed , (only when a volunteer is present). or More Than Words bin No textbooks more than 5 years old
Cardboard (also accepted in your green curbside recycling cart)	Cardboard can be recycled in the compactor on site Boxes do not need to be flattened	Empty pizza boxes ok No plastic bags No foam packaging
Clothing, Bedding, Textiles (in any condition)	All types of textiles including: clothing, shoes, belts, handbags, backpacks, towels, linens, and stuffed animals Ok if they are ripped/broken- those will be made into rags. All items must be clean and dry	No wet or mildewy textiles No items contaminated with oil, paint, or hazardous materials No pillows
Compost/Food Scraps	Fruit and vegetables, meat/bones, seafood shells and other kitchen scraps- see the full list from Black Earth Compost.	No food containers/bags unless they are labeled “BPI, CMA, or OK Compost/TUV certified compostable” No produce stickers
Containers from the Kitchen & Bathroom (also accepted in your	Glass containers (clear, green and brown) All plastic bottles with caps	Empty containers only No food waste

green curbside recycling cart)	Plastic food bottles, tubs Metal cans and foil Containers from the bathroom such as shampoo and conditioner bottles	No plastic bags No cartons See here for some helpful photos (from MassDEP)
E-Waste/Electronics	Printers, fax machines, computers, laptops, tablets, cellphones, chargers, computer peripherals, DVD players, cable/satellite boxes, video game consoles.	TVs and computer monitors must be accompanied by proof of payment (Request optional curbside pick-up for a fee) Also accepted at some electronics stores
Florescent Blubs	All types of fluorescent and compact bulbs LED bulbs accepted. Do not tape together Do not crush	Mercury Recovery Program
Household Hazardous Waste	Accepted Materials Brochure	SPECIAL EVENT COLLECTION ONLY Leave materials in their original containers Transport in a box or bin Keep materials away from children, pets, and other passengers

Lawn Mowers	Remove gas and oil Accepted as scrap metal	Drop off at no cost (Request optional curbside pick-up for a fee)
Mattresses/Box Springs	All sizes. Mattresses (traditional inner spring, latex, memory foam and “mattress in a box” mattresses).	Must be accompanied by proof of payment (Request optional curbside pick-up for a fee)
Mercury containing devices	Thermometers, thermostats, switches, elemental mercury, and flowmeters	Do not throw away with trash Mercury is a hazardous material
Paint	Accepted May-October, M-F for the Paint Exchange Good, reusable latex paint and paint products	Small amounts of paint can be dried out and disposed of with trash Oil based paints/primers/stains: HHW Collection Continued on next page

<p>Paper- (also accepted in your green curbside recycling cart)</p>	<p>Clean white office paper Mixed paper: junk mail, newspaper, magazines, computer paper, paperboard (cereal, cracker, shoe boxes, etc.- remove liners). See here for some helpful photos (from MassDEP)</p>	<p>Plastic windows, staples, and paper clips are acceptable. No metal/plastic binders or spiral binding. No dirty paper plates, cups, tissue paper, paper towel, wax paper, or plastic bags No shredded paper or foil/metallic/plastic wrapping paper or bows</p>
<p>Printer Cartridges</p>	<p>Laser and inkjet cartridges</p>	<p>Can also be brought to some office supply stores</p>
<p>Propane Tanks</p>	<p>Must be emptied EMPTY helium cans and expired fire extinguishers</p>	<p>1lb and 20lb tanks</p>
<p>Rigid Plastics</p>	<p>Outdoor play equipment, slides Plastic shelving, coolers, laundry baskets, buckets, barrels, bin, storage totes</p>	<p>No plastic film (bags, wrap- bring these to a retailer/grocery store) No flexible water hoses</p>

Scrap Metal	Metal desks, file cabinets, wire hangers, bikes, snow blowers (gas and oil drained), exercise equipment, other metal items that are more than 50% metal by weight.	(Request optional curbside pick-up for a fee)
Sharps	Needles and lancets used at home by people and pets to treat medical conditions	View the Responsible Sharps Disposal brochure
Styrofoam	Clean, dry white blocks only	<p>No cups, meat trays, clam-shell containers,</p> <p>No packing peanuts or bubble wrap.</p> <p>No pipe insulation</p> <p>Styrofoam can go in your trash cart.</p>
Textiles- see clothing, bedding, linens		