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Appliances & Freon Items	Air conditioners, dehumidifiers, dishwashers, dryers, freezers, refrigerators, stoves, washers, water heaters	Drop off at no cost  Request optional curbside  pick-up for a \$25 per item fee
Antifreeze & Motor Oil	Containers of used motor oil Containers of used antifreeze Used oil filters (transmission and diesel)	No leaking/exposed items accepted Tighten caps and lids Do not mix oil with gasoline or antifreeze
Batteries	Auto: Boat, car, and ATV Button Cell: watches, hearing aids, calculators, etc. Lithium Primary (single use) Rechargeable: 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
Books	Books in good condition and unmarked	Drop off at the Book Shed when a volunteer is present, or at the More Than Words collection bins No magazines No textbooks 5+ years old

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Cardboard	Boxes, empty pizza boxes	No plastic bags
(also accepted in your green curbside recycling cart)		No foam packaging Boxes do not need to be flattened
Clothing (in any condition as long as it is CLEAN and DRY) - also see "textiles" below	All types of clothing and textiles including: footwear, hats, belts, jewelry, handbags, luggage, towels, linens, and stuffed animals - see the full list from Helpsy	Request optional free curbside pick-up from Helpsy No pillows, no rugs Items must be CLEAN and DRY and can be ripped/stained. Drop off at the Helpsy, More Than Words, Red Cross, or Salvation Army collection bins
Cooking Oil	Vegetable oil, peanut oil, cooking grease, animal fats	No motor oil
"Compost"/ Organics/ Food Scraps	Fruit and vegetables, meat/bones, seafood shells and other kitchen scraps, paper napkins and paper towels - see the full list from Black Earth Compost	Other options including one- time or recurring curbside pick-up for a fee  No food containers or bags unless they are labeled "BPI, CMA, or OK Compost/TUV certified compostable"  Brown paper bags are ok Remove produce stickers

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Containers from the	Glass bottles, jars, jugs, (clear, green and brown)	Empty and rinse containers Replace caps
kitchen, laundry & bathroom (also	Plastic food & beverage bottles, jars, tubs	No food waste No plastic bags
accepted in your	Metal cans and aluminum foil	No cartons
green curbside recycling cart)	Containers from the bathroom such as shampoo and conditioner bottles	See here for some helpful photos (from MassDEP)
	Containers from the laundry area such as detergent and softener jugs	,
Used Electronics	Cable/satellite boxes, cables/cords, cellphones, chargers, computers, computer peripherals, DVD players, fax machines, laptops, monitors*, printers, tablets, TVs*, video game consoles	*\$25 fee for TVs and monitors must show proof of payment  Request optional curbside pick-up for a \$25 per item fee
Fluorescent Bulbs	All types of fluorescent and compact fluorescent bulbs, halogen fluorescent bulbs, LED bulbs	No incandescent bulbs (the kind that make a sound when you shake them after they've gone out - put these in the trash)
		Do not tape together
		Do not crush
Household	Refer to: Accepted Materials Brochure	Do not put in the trash
<u>Hazardous</u> <u>Waste</u>		Leave materials in their original containers
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COLLECTION ONLY		Transport in a box or bin - keep materials away from children, pets, and other passengers
Lawn Mowers and Snowblowers	Remove gas and oil Accepted as scrap metal	Drop off at no cost  Request optional curbside  pick-up for a \$25 per item fee
Latex Paint (reusable) ACCEPTED ONLY MAY -	Accepted Monday through Friday for the Paint Exchange Good, reusable latex paint and paint products	Unusable latex paint can be dried out and put in trash Oil based paints/primers/stains: HHW Collection
OCTOBER  Mattresses & Box Springs	All sizes. Mattresses (traditional inner spring, latex, memory foam and "mattress in a box").	\$35 fee per item to drop off must show proof of payment Request optional curbside pick-up for a \$50 per item fee No futon mattresses or sofa beds
Mercury containing devices	Thermometers, thermostats, switches, elemental mercury, and flowmeters	Do not put in the trash  Mercury is a hazardous  material

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Paper (also accepted in your green curbside recycling cart)  Note: shredded paper is only accepted at PAPER SHREDDING EVENT: Refer to: Secure document shredding	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)	Plastic windows on envelopes, staples, and paper clips OK No metal/plastic binders or spiral binding No used paper plates, cups, tissue paper, paper towels No foil/metallic/plastic wrapping paper or bows
Printer Cartridges	Laser and inkjet cartridges	Can also be brought to some office supply stores
Propane Tanks		1lb and 20lb tanks accepted
Rigid Plastics	Outdoor play equipment, slides Plastic shelving, coolers, laundry baskets, buckets, barrels, bin, storage totes Car seats with belts and buckles removed	Request optional curbside pick-up for a \$25 per item fee No plastic film (bags, wrap- bring these to a retailer/grocery store) No flexible water hoses

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Scrap Metal	Items that are more than 50% metal by weight, including: BBQ grills, bikes, exercise equipment, metal desks and file cabinets and shelves, microwaves, patio umbrella, pots/pans, toasters, wire hangers	Request optional curbside pick-up for a \$25 per item fee Gas and oil must be drained from lawnmowers/snow blowers
Sharps	Needles and lancets used at home by people and pets to treat medical conditions, Epi-pens	Refer to the Responsible Sharps Disposal brochure
Styrofoam	Clean, dry white block-style only	No cups, meat trays, clam-shell containers No packing peanuts
Textiles (in any condition as long as they are CLEAN and DRY)	All types of clothing and textiles including: footwear, hats, belts, jewelry, handbags, luggage, towels, linens, and stuffed animals - see the full list from Helpsy	Request optional free curbside pick-up from Helpsy Items must be CLEAN and DRY and can be ripped/stained. No pillows, no rugs Drop off at the Helpsy, Red Cross or Salvation Army collection bins

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Did not find what you were looking for?	مرمره ما المرابع	Thank you for recycling!  Don't forget to also reduce and reuse.