

TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN

WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES



2017

DEAR MIDDLETOWN RESIDENT

The Town of Middletown would like to take this opportunity to thank you for participating in the Pay As You Throw (PAYT) program. By using the program you have helped Middletown reach one of the highest recycling rates in the state of Rhode Island. We hope you find this updated information regarding our refuse, recycling, yard waste, and bulk waste services helpful.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

Town Recycling Coordinator:

9 Berkeley Ave, Middletown RI 02842
401 842-6519 or wcronin@middletownri.com

Republic Services: 800 825-3260 ext 3

For more information visit:

www.middletownri.com/recycling

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/MiddletownRI

Twitter:

@Middletown411



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Schedule

The gray refuse cart and the blue recycling cart will be collected weekly. All materials should be placed at the curb by 7 a.m. on your collection day. A 2017 collection calendar is included in this guide indicating holidays, yard waste collections, Eco-Depot and Bulk Waste Amnesty Day Events.

Trash

Middletown has an annual user fee of \$141.00 for the trash and recycling program in addition to the price for PAYT bags. To help identify program users, you will receive a small sticker for each of your trash and recycling carts when the user fee is paid. All regular household refuse must be put into the yellow Town PAYT bags and placed in the gray cart for collection. Visit www.middletownri.com/recycling for a complete list of stores selling PAYT bags (\$1.75 per 15-gallon bag, and \$2.00 per 33-gallon bag).

Recycling

Your blue recycling cart should be placed curbside every week on the same day as your regular trash collection. You do not need to sort your recyclables — all acceptable recyclable materials may go in your blue recycling cart. For more detailed recycling information, visit RecycleTogetherRI.org or AtoZ.RIRRC.org

DO RECYCLE:

- Paper: Newspaper, phone books, envelopes, office paper, spiral notebooks, flattened corrugated boxes, wrapping paper and tissue paper, gift bags, junk mail, egg cartons
- Plastic: Bottles, jars, tubs take out containers, iced coffee cups, yogurt containers, plastic egg cartons
- Cartons: Milk, juice, soup, juice boxes
- Metal: Aluminum cans, foil, pie pans, empty aerosol cans, tin cans
- Glass: Jars and bottles

DON'T RECYCLE:

- Plastic bags: Bring them back to the store
- Refrigerated and frozen food boxes: Butter, pizza, beer, soda and TV dinner boxes
- Plastic containers larger than 5 gallons
- Hybrid packaging: Oatmeal and chip canisters, K-cups
- Chip bags and candy wrappers
- Hot beverage cups
- Styrofoam
- Needles
- Light bulbs, mirrors, broken glass
- Large/scrap metal pieces

Excess cardboard

Cardboard can now be placed out with your recycling for curbside collection. Please break boxes down flat and tie with twine or tape in 3'x3' bundles and place next to collection bins.

Yard waste & Christmas trees

Yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, branches, etc.) will be collected 23 weeks during the year (Christmas trees will be collected the week of January 9). Yard waste must be placed in containers marked 'Yard Waste' or in paper compost bags. Branches must be tied in bundles, no longer than 4 ft. All yard waste must be placed curbside on your regular collection day. Containers/bags/bundles should weigh no more than 50 lbs each. Yard waste placed in refuse or recycling carts will not be collected. All yard waste materials will be composted locally, so please NO plastic bags and DO NOT place any trash in with your yard waste. Yard waste will be collected with Christmas trees in January.



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Customer Service

If there is an issue with your trash, recycling or yard waste collection, please contact the Republic's Service customer service number, 1 800 825-3260 ext. 3 or visit www.RepublicServices.com and click the 'Contact Us' button and they will make arrangements to pick it up. Republic's customer service line is open Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturdays until noon. Middletown's Recycling Coordinator's office number is 401-842-6519.

Bulk waste

Bulk waste includes items that will not fit inside a PAYT bag like sofas, chairs, mattresses, bags of miscellaneous debris, refrigerators, washers, microwave ovens, and air conditioners, etc. For curbside collection of bulky items, residents must first purchase a bulk waste sticker from the DPW Office at 9 Berkeley Avenue, between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., and then contact Republic Services: 800-825-3260 ex 3. Sticker prices will vary depending on the item or items.

Bulk Waste Amnesty Days

In 2017, Middletown will hold four drop-off days on the following Saturdays: April 1, June 24, September 23, and November 18; locations to be announced. You MUST call 401-842-6519 or email wcronin@middletownri.com to schedule a drop-off appointment. We will accept and recycle electronic waste, rigid plastic, mattresses, box springs and scrap metal at the bulk waste amnesty events. We have increased the frequency of our bulk waste amnesty days to four times per year as Middletown residents no longer get a reduced rate at the Newport transfer station.

Donate locally

Remember to donate gently used items to Big Brothers/Big Sisters, Boys & Girls Club of Newport, Child & Family Services, International Institute of RI, Maher Center or Salvation Army, or try giving it away using freecycle.org or craigslist.org.

Household hazardous waste

The Town of Middletown, with the help of Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation, will host an Eco-Depot, a household hazardous waste collection, on Saturday, April 29 in the main parking lot of Second Beach. These collections provide the residents of the community an opportunity to dispose of items such as cleaning chemicals, electronics, pesticides, garage chemicals, herbicides, etc. Call 401-942-1430 x241 to make an appointment. Please see the calendar for additional Eco-Depot Events in neighboring communities.

Care and use of your cart:

- Always keep the lid closed to keep rain, snow and animals out.
- Clean your cart periodically.
- Since automated waste collection requires clearance for the vehicle's lifting mechanism, any vehicle parked at the curb should be at least 5 feet from the trash cart.
- Leave 3 feet between your gray and blue carts to allow the truck's arm to collect the carts easily.
- Green recycling carts are no longer used by the Town for collection. Please call 401-842-6519 or email wcronin@middletownri.com and we will pick up your cart.

Snow delays

Snow storms can delay collection schedule. For storm delay information call 401-842-6519 or visit www.middletownri.com for updated information, follow us on Facebook and/or Twitter as well.

In the event that snow is falling, no matter the predicted amount, do not leave your carts in the street as they will be in the way of plow trucks pushing back snow to clear the street. The trash and recycling trucks' arm can reach out five feet to collect the carts – so placing carts on the "inside" of snow banks may be an option.

Rain barrels

Rain barrels may be ordered at www.rewaterlady.com and picked up on April 15, 2017, between 9 a.m. and 11a.m. at the DPW Garage, 19 Berkeley Ave. Please call 401-842-6519 if you have questions.

2017 Collection Calendar

- Observed Holiday
- Bulk Waste Amnesty Days
- Rain Barrels
- Yard Waste Pick-Up Week
- 🌲 Christmas Trees & Yard Waste
- 15 Normal Pick-up, Town Offices Closed

- Eco-Depots: **April 29:** Middletown - Second Beach
June 17: Portsmouth - PHS, 120 Education Way
July 22: Bristol - 111 Mount Hope Avenue
September 16: Tiverton - 50 Industrial Way
September 30: Newport - Easton's Beach, 175 Memorial Boulevard
- Bulk Waste Amnesty Days: **Saturdays, April 1, June 24, September 23, November 18**
 Locations to be announced

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Holiday Schedule:

When an observed holiday falls on a normal collection day, collections will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week. For example, should a holiday fall on a Wednesday, those collections would be delayed until Thursday, Thursday's normal collections will move to Friday and Friday's to Saturday. Please note this applies to holidays marked on this calendar only.

The following holidays will result in delayed collections:

- New Year's Day:** Monday, January 2 (observed)
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:** Monday, January 16
- Memorial Day:** Monday, May 29
- Independence Day:** Tuesday, July 4
- Victory Day:** Monday, August 14
- Labor Day:** Monday, September 4
- Columbus Day:** Monday, October 9
- Thanksgiving Day:** Thursday, November 23
- Christmas Day:** Monday, December 25

PLEASE NOTE:

- There will be **NO DELAY** in collection on:
- Presidents' Day
Monday, February 20
and
 - Veterans' Day
Friday, November 10