

TOWN OF WESTMINSTER

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Information Packet for the New Trash and Recycling Program For Westminster Residents

- 1.) At Town Meeting in March 2015, the voters present, placed monies back into the budget for curbside trash and recycling for Westminster residents.
- 2.) The Selectboard has weighed through the options that were presented by "Trash Haulers" through competitive bidding and picked out a very responsible and complete package for Westminster to implement for compliance with the Universal Recycling Law (Act 148).
- 3.) The new program goes into effect July 1st, 2015. Please make note of this, because if you do not comply with the rules that follow, your trash and/or recycling will not be picked up.

Complete Rules and Regulations of Westminster's New Trash & Recycling Program

- Trash and Recycling will be picked up every week. The schedule of your pick up is attached.
- As per Westminster's Trash ordinance, you are to put out your trash and recycling the morning of pick up by 7:00 AM, no sooner unless you have made arrangements with the Town Manager because of obligational needs.
- Trash and Recycling will need to be contained in a separate tote, can, bin etc. with a lid before it will be picked up. This will mean that two containers are needed, one for trash and one for recycling. *Placing both in one container at the same time will not be acceptable*. The containers will be supplied by you, the taxpayer at your own expense. The size of the container is up to you as to what fits your family's needs. On these containers you will need to place your street number only, large and clear enough for the "Hauler" to see it from his truck. Totes will be available in different sizes for purchase at the Town Hall with an order from our new hauler "Ruggiero Trash Removal". Prices will vary according to size needed.
- Trash only will be placed in a bag of a maximum 33 gallon capacity or 30 lbs. whichever is greater and placed at the curbside in your container with a lid. Every bag will need a sticker attached to the neck of the bag. The new programs starts with 52 paid stickers through taxation and are in this packet. Additional stickers can be purchased at the Town Hall for \$2.50 each, if needed. If the sticker that is presented on the bag of trash is torn or cut in half, etc., it will be deemed unacceptable and will be left until a full proper sticker has replaced it. If the bag capacity is over the regulated weight or gallons you may place an additional sticker on it. Example: You have cleaned out the attic and you used the construction trash bags. The gallons are over the 33 gallon limit, you may place an additional sticker on the bag so that it will be picked up by our Hauler. Please be considerate and not make the bags too heavy, though.



- With this program you will be given 52 stickers through taxation as stated above. If you do not use all of your stickers in any given year or you are seeing that your needs will not demand all of your stickers you may give them to a family in your neighborhood that may need more than the 52 stickers or give them back to the Town Hall where we will find a family that could use them. It should be noted, every sticker has a number that has been allotted to you. If the sticker that you gave away is misused, you will be receiving the call from the Town.
- Recycling will be single stream available every week. This means that your appropriate
 paper goods that you recycle now, and appropriate cans, bottles, etc. that you recycle
 now, can all go loosely into the same container that you supply with a lid. Note: all
 recyclables will need to be dry so that the paper remains a recyclable product.
 Water will make paper trash.
- Recycling at the Town Shop will not go away, at least for now. You will be able to drop off your recyclables at this location as you did before, if wanted. If the site becomes a dumping area of unwanted waste or contaminated recyclables, we will lose them.
- At no time will construction waste, hazardous waste, paint or its cans, appliances, electronic devices, batteries, furniture, etc. be a part of this Municipal Curbside Pickup Program.
- Cat litter is not part of this program because clay based, sand based and crystalline litters
 are not compatible to compost. The best choices for compostable cat litters are those
 made from natural living sources such as sawdust, wheat based natural litters, recycled
 newspaper, and other wood products. There is additional information at the Town Hall if
 needed.
- Eligible participation in this program consists of single family taxpayer residences only. Dual residences, commercial, industrial, agricultural, rental units/properties will all have to make alternative arrangements to trash and recycling needs.

For your convenience, the Town Manager and Selectboard will be holding informational meetings in designated areas. They are as follows:

- 1. North Westminster on June 15th at the North Westminster Community House @ 6:00 pm. This includes: Route 121, Oak Hill Terr., Forest Road, Gage St., Covered Bridge Road, Henwood Hill, Church Ave., Sabin Ave., Back Westminster Road, Picknell Road, Birchview Heights, Davidson Hill Road, Route 5 (north), Kissell Hill, Westminster Terr., and Grange St.
- 2. Morse Brook Road Area June 17th at Entrance to James Road @ 6:00 pm. This includes: Morse Brook Road, Goldies Road, Newcomb Road, James Road, Hartley Hill Road (north and south), Kurkul Road, and Wellington Hill Road (west).
- 3. Pine Banks Road June 19th at Entrance to Camp Road @ 6:00 pm. This includes: Pine Banks Road, Camp Road, Daigel Road, Trail Road, Quarry Road, and Town Line Road.
- **4.** Westminster West June 22nd at the Westminster West School @ 6:00 pm. This includes: Patch Road, Westminster West Road, and West Road.
- 5. Route 5 (south) / Westminster Heights / Kurn Hattin Road June 24th in the Town Hall @ 6:30 pm (SB Meeting). This includes: Route 5 (south), Sand Hill Road, Westminster Heights Road, Kurn Hattin Road, School St., Grout Ave., Sauve Road, River Road, Piggery Road, Orchard Hill Road, Wellington Hill Road (east), Parker Road, and Streeter Road.

These are the major routes by your neighborhoods, but if one of the other days works better for you for this informational meeting, feel free to jump to that location.