

2022 Waste Sorting Booklet

What goes where?

Organics Green Cart



All food waste

- Meat, fish & bones
- Vegetables & fruits
- Bread & pasta
- Cooking oil & bacon grease (allow to cool)

Used/Wet Paper

- Used napkins, tissues & paper towels
- Tea bags, Coffee filters & grinds
- Paper bags, paper popcorn bags & paper plates

Yard Waste

- Grass
- Leaves & twigs
- Pet waste & kitty litter

**NO BIODEGRADABLE -
PLASTIC PRODUCTS
NO COFFEE CUPS**

Recycling Bag 1 No Paper



Blue Bag Recyclables

All plastic containers
#1 through to #7



- All plastic bags
- Milk, juice cartons & juice boxes
- Steel (tin) cans
- Aluminum pop & cat food cans
- Aluminum foil & pie plates
- Pop & water bottles
- Clean styrofoam
- Glass jars & bottles

**NO NEEDLES
NO BATTERIES
ALL RECYCLABLES
MUST BE CLEAN & DRY**

Recycling Bag 2 All Paper Products



Paper & Cardboard

- Newsprint & flyers
- Envelopes
- Paper egg cartons
- Catalogues & magazines
- Shredded paper & file folders
- Loose-leaf & office papers
- Boxboards
- Paperback books & paper towel cores
- Cardboard bundles (max 3ft x 2ft x 1ft)
- Textiles (Clothing, footwear, bedding, hats etc)

**NO MILK & JUICE CARTONS
NO COFFEE CUPS
ALL MATERIALS
MUST BE CLEAN & DRY**

Garbage Clear bags only



Regular Garbage

- Dog poop bags
- Chip, cookie bags & cereal bag liners
- Coffee cups & k-cups
- Lightbulbs
- Cigarette butts
- Chewing gum, candy & bar wrappers
- Broken glass (safely packaged)
- Dirty aluminum foil & styrofoam
- Plastic straws & cutlery
- Gift wrapping paper
- Wipes (flushable, sanitizing & baby wipes)
- Gloves, masks & tests
- Diapers
- Personal & feminine hygiene products

**ALL GARBAGE TAKEN TO THE
BALEFILL FACILITY MUST BE
IN CLEAR BAGS**

How to dispose...?

Car Parts



Car parts **SHOULD** be taken to your local scrap metal dealer or an auto recycler for proper disposal.

Small Household Appliances



Small household appliances **SHOULD** be placed in your clear bags for **GARBAGE**.

Printer Toner Cartridge



Contact manufacturer on how to properly dispose of printer toner cartridges.

Please note: Toner cartridges **MUST NOT** be placed in your recycling bags.

Lab/Medical Waste (No Needles/Sharps)



Items found in the home for medical care **SHOULD** be placed in the **GARBAGE**.

Please note: Needles/Sharps **MUST** be placed in a Safe Sharps container and returned to your pharmacy.

Visit <https://www.dontbeaprick.org/>

Lithium Ion Batteries



Tape the terminals



Bag your batteries

Call our helpline **902-895-4777** to find a drop off location.

Please note: Improper disposal/storage of lithium ion batteries can cause fire. **NEVER** throw batteries in the garbage or recycling bags.

Visit www.call2recycle.org/safety/ for safety tips.

Residential Curbside Collection Limits

One residential household is allowed:

Garbage: 
6 clear bags or 5 clear bags
& 1 black bag for privacy

Organics: 
1 green cart

Recycling: 
12 blue bags

Two bulky items:  &
On your regular garbage collection day

For more information call our helpline 902-895-4777.

**Need more information on what goes where? Download our FREE
'Colchester Waste Management' app from the app store or call our helpline 902-895-4777**



Stay up to Date with Us!!

All of our residents have a choice in how they could receive their collection calendar!

With our online service, you can print a calendar specific to your own home address, sync with your own electronic calendar, & receive weekly reminders about collection by phone, email or Twitter at

www.colchester.ca/garbage-and-recycling

This service gives you all the sorting and collection information at your fingertips.

Once you sign up, we can notify you when collection is interrupted.

No computer? No printer? No problem!
Call us at 902-895-4777

We will be happy to mail you a printed copy.



Are you a smart phone or tablet user?
Get the **FREE** Colchester Waste App on the App Store or Google Play.

Illegal Dumping is against the LAW!



Illegal Dumping is the dumping of waste in the woods, on someone else's property or using someone's dumpster without permission.

Under the "Municipal Solid Waste Bylaw" an offender could face a fine of up to **\$5000.**

If you see or know of someone illegally dumping waste, please call our helpline 902-895-4777 or visit our website www.colchester.ca/collection-schedules

Under collection schedule and below the green bar you can fill out a "report littering or illegal dump" form.



Construction & Demolition Waste



Asphalt Shingles

\$35 per metric tonne

(Asphalt shingles are ground into flakes for energy and traction sand).



Clean, Unpainted Drywall

\$35 per metric tonne

(Clean, unpainted drywall is added to compost. Drywall is high in calcium which is good for your soil).



Clean Wood

\$35 per metric tonne

(Wood is ground up & marketed as an energy source).



Scrap Metal

\$35 per metric tonne

(Scrap metal is baled onsite & sold to be made into new material).

Disposing of these materials in dedicated loads will save you money!

For information on tipping fees call our helpline at 902-895-4777 or visit

www.colchester.ca/colchester-waste-management-park#tipping



Provincial Recycling

Plastic Bag Ban



October 30, 2020, businesses are not allowed to hand out single-use plastic bags at checkouts. Remember to bring your own reusable bags. To learn more about the single use plastic bag ban visit novascotia.ca/single-use-plastic-bag-ban/

Safe Sharps Bring Back Program



Under this program, residents who generate sharps in their home can pick up a plastic 3 litre or 5 litre container at their local pharmacy. When the container is full, it can be returned to the pharmacy for disposal. For more information visit pans.ns.ca/public/programs/safe-sharps

Recycle My Cell



The goal of this program is to minimize the number of handsets entering Canada's landfills. Recycle My Cell links participating cell phone recycling programs together, making it easier for you to determine how and where you can dispose of your used wireless device. For more information visit recyclemycell.ca/



Tire Recycling

You can return up to four tires 24.5 inches or less to any retailer in the province, free of charge. They must be off the rim and free of mud and debris. Leave used tires at the retailer when you buy new ones. For more information on tire recycling visit divertns.ca/used-passenger-tires

Used Oil



There are municipalities and local garages who will accept small quantities of used oil, used filters and antifreeze. There is no fee for this service. For more information on collectors visit ns.uoma-atlantic.com.



Paint Recycling



The Nova Scotia Paint Recycling Program aims to bring new life to unused paint. Try to use the "BUD" rule: **B**uy only the paint you need. **U**se all the paint you buy. **D**ispose of leftover paint safely. For more information call 1-888-592-2972 or visit productcare.org

Colchester County Enviro-Depots

Return beverage containers to your local ENVIRO-DEPOTS for a refund.

Enviro-Depots also accept leftover household paint (tightly sealed in its original container with the lid and label still readable).

NOTE: Milk cartons are NOT accepted at Enviro-Depots

These should be placed in your blue bag with containers recyclables and placed curbside for collection.



**Subway Bottle
Exchange**
25 Pictou Road
Bible Hill
902-893-8312

TNT Recycling
20711 Hwy #2
Shubenacadie
East
902-758-2708

**Tatamagouche
Recycling**
102 Main St.
Tatamagouche
902-657-9201

**John Ross
& Sons**
85 Glassey Ave.
Truro
902-893-9429



Electronics Recycling What Can I Recycle and Where?

Many electronics are now banned from landfill disposal and should not be placed in the garbage or set out for curbside collection.

In Colchester County, you can drop these items off **FREE OF CHARGE** at:

Subway Bottle Exchange 25 Pictou Road Bible Hill 902-893-8312	Tatamagouche Recycling 102 Main Street Tatamagouche 902-657-9201	TNT Recycling 20711 Hwy #2 Shubenacadie East 902-758-2708
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For more information, please call EPRA
Nova Scotia toll-free at 1-888-567-4535,
email info@recycleMYelectronics.ca or
visit www.recyclemyelectronics.ca



Display Devices
Televisions & Monitors
LCD, LED & Plasma



**Cellular Phones
& Pagers**
Handheld devices



Computer Peripherals
Mice, Keyboards
and Trackballs



Portable Computers
Laptops, netbooks
notebooks, E-book & tablets



**Home Audio/Video Systems
& Home Theatre Systems**
Speakers, Projectors, DVD, VCR
CD players & HTB



**Desktop Printers
& Scanners**



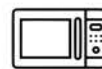
**Personal/Portable
Audio/Video Systems**



**Desktop Computers
& External Storage
Drives & Modems**



**Video Gaming Systems
& Peripherals**



**Countertop
Microwave**
Built in or over-the-range
microwave are excluded
from the program



**Non-Cellular
Telephones**
Corded & cordless phones



**Vehicle Audio/
Video Systems**



**Global Positioning
System**

Dates 2022/2023

Truro Home Show

April 22 - 24, 2022



Friday, April 22, 12noon - 6:00pm

Saturday, April 23, 10:00am - 6:00pm

Sunday, April 24, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Rath Eastlink Community Centre
625 Abenaki Road
Truro, N.S

Mobile HHW Events



Saturday, May 14, 9:00am - 1:00pm
Economy Fire Hall, Economy

Saturday, June 11, 9:00am - 1:00pm
Stewiacke Fire Hall, Stewiacke

Saturday, June 25, 9:00am - 1:00pm
North Shore Recreation Arena, Tatamagouche

Community Paper Shredding



Saturday, June 11, 9:00am - 1:00pm
Stewiacke Fire Hall, Stewiacke

Saturday, September 17, 9:00am - 12noon
Rath Eastlink Community Centre, Truro

- 10 file boxes or 5 large bags of paper per person
- No plastic sleeves or binders
- No over size totes
- No newsprint or photographs
- Please do not tightly tie bags

Spring & Fall Compost Giveaways

Spring, April 30 & May 2 - 7

Fall, October 17 - 22



Colchester Balefill Facility
188 Mingo Road, Kemptown
Monday to Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm
Saturdays 8:30am - 11:30am

Each household is entitled to shovel **100kgs** of compost into three bags. Bags are provided but you can purchase **extra** bags at **\$2.00** per bag. Remember your own shovel and wear appropriate footwear and gloves.

Compost is available for bulk sale from our facility throughout the entire year! The cost is **\$35.00** per metric tonne. You are allowed to come out with your truck and trailer to purchase bulk compost.

Household Hazardous Waste

Hours of Operation: 9:00am - 1:00pm

2022 Dates of Operation:

February 5th
March 5th
April 2nd
May 7th
June 4th
July 9th
August 6th
September 10th
October 1st
November 5th

HHW Drop-Off Location
Clean Harbors Ltd
640 MacElmon Road
Debert
Exit 13, HWY 104



This is a **FREE** service for residents of the Towns of Truro and Stewiacke and the Municipality of Colchester

No commercial material. Thank you for your cooperation.

Dates 2022/2023

Colchester Clean Litter Clean Up Campaign

April 22 - May 7, 2022

Registration Details - To Be Announced

Stay tuned to our website www.colchester.ca and our facebook page [@ColchesterWRM](https://www.facebook.com/ColchesterWRM) for updates.



The Colchester Clean Campaign is for the residents of the Municipality of the County of Colchester

Christmas Tree Collection



Zone 1 - January 12, 2023

Zone 2 - January 5, 2023

Zone 3 - January 10, 2023

Zone 4 - January 3, 2023

Zone 5 - January 11, 2023

Zone 6 - January 4, 2023

Zone 7 - January 13, 2023

Zone 8 - January 6, 2023

Town of Truro - January 9 - 13, 2023

Town of Stewiacke - January 6, 2023

Ensure your tree is placed curbside **before 7:00am** on your collection day.

All trees must be visible (unburied), free of lights, ornaments and stands. Trees must be debagged and **NOT** frozen to the ground to ensure collection.

Residential Leaf Collection Reminder



MUNICIPALITY OF COLCHESTER RESIDENTS

Leaves can be placed in your green cart for collection. Residents can place up to three (3) bags of leaves each collection day as long as the leaves are in PAPER leaf and yard waste bags.

TOWN OF TRURO RESIDENTS

If you have any questions or require any information regarding leaf collection in the Town of Truro please call 902-893-6078 or visit <https://www.truro.ca/solid-waste-collection>

Green Cart Reminder

Not Accepted in the Green Cart!



Compostable and biodegradable plastic products such as bags, containers, cups and cutlery are **NOT PERMITTED** in the green cart. Your green cart will be **REJECTED** if these products are found in it.

These compostable/biodegradable plastics cause operational issues at the compost facility.

For more information call our helpline 902-895-4777

Questions?



Helpline 902-895-4777



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Visit www.colchester.ca

Colchester Balefill Facility

188 Mingo Road
Exit 18, HWY 104
Hours of Operation:
Monday to Friday
8am - 4pm
Saturday 8am - 12pm



Note: Cash, personal cheques or interac are accepted as payment. Credit cards are **NOT** accepted.

ALL GARBAGE TAKEN TO THE BALEFILL FACILITY WHETHER RESIDENTIAL OR BUSINESS MUST BE IN CLEAR BAGS OR YOU WILL BE ASKED TO RE-BAG INTO CLEAR BAGS AT HOME.

**ENSURE LOAD IS CONTAINED BY USING STRAPS, NET OR SECURED TARP TO YOUR VEHICLE.
ALL VEHICLES MUST REPORT TO THE SCALE.**

Solid Waste Resource Management

The Waste Reduction Department provides a wide variety of services for Residents and Businesses free of cost, these include:

- Waste Reduction Education
- Waste Audits
- Collection Education
- Collection Complaints
- Green Cart Requests and Repairs
- Facility Tours
- Classroom Presentations
- Signage
- Illegal Dump Investigations



To book a service visit
colchester.ca/educational-services

Divert NS offers lesson plans for Grades Primary to 6 in Nova Scotia. These lesson plans are fun and help teach youth about the importance of Reducing, Reusing and Recycling. For more information Visit divertns.ca/learn/lesson-plans



We Need Your Help To Keep Everyone Safe!



This international campaign is a reminder to motorists to drive more carefully when near waste and recycling collection vehicles. Worker safety has been an ongoing issue for the waste and recycling industry.

Winter is here!

Please ensure your material is visible for collection & that green carts & waste storage boxes are free from ice & snow. If collection is cancelled, residents will be informed by announcements on the radio, Twitter, Facebook, ReCollect Service Alert & on our website www.colchester.ca

An alternative collection day is scheduled during the cancellation announcement.

Christmas Wrapping Paper

Wrapping Paper is **NOT** Recyclable



This is due to the large amount of dye within the paper & the contaminants that accompany it (tape, bows, ribbons etc.).

Wrapping paper should always be placed in your clear bag for garbage disposal.



To reduce waste you can use recycled wrapping paper or newspaper. You can make it look more festive by adding a sprig of evergreen or drawing on the paper.

The brown wrapping paper can go in your blue bag for paper or even your green cart for compost.