



Trash & Recycling Updates, etc...

JULY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2017

860-429-3333

www.mansfieldct.gov/trash

HOLIDAY COLLECTION SCHEDULE

July 4th - 7th - these service days will be one day later.

The week of **September 4th - 8th** - all service days will be one day later.

You will find the 2017 holiday collection schedule by going to www.mansfieldct.gov/trash.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

The Regional Chemical Waste Drop-Off Facility, located at 57 Hancock Road in Willimantic, will be open: July 15, August 5 & 19, September 16, October 7 & 21 and November 4. The hours are 9 am to 2 pm for residential hazardous waste disposal. For more information call 860-429-3333 or go to www.mansfieldct.gov/hazardous-waste.

TRASH/RECYCLE TRUCK

It may look like your trash and recycling are being thrown in together, but there are actually *two* compartments on the truck – one for trash and the other for recyclables. After your trash container is emptied, the trash compartment on the truck is closed to allow the contents from your recycle container to empty into the recycle compartment. Trash is delivered to one of Connecticut's trash incinerators and the recyclables are sorted for market at Willimantic Waste Paper.

PLASTIC BAG RECYCLING

We have resumed accepting plastic bags at the transfer station because we once again have a way of recycling them, thanks to the generosity of Price Chopper. See the other side for what is accepted. You may also bring these items to Price Chopper and Big Y. Price Chopper has a collection container in the bottle redemption area and Big Y asks that you bring your plastic bags and film packaging to the customer service desk.

COMPOST COLLECTION CONTAINERS

2.25 gallon kitchen compost collection containers are available for \$8.00 through the Town. Since part of the cost was applied to a waste reduction grant, we can pass along a deep savings to you. If you would like to purchase one, call 860-429-3333 or e-mail waltonvd@mansfieldct.org.

FREE EVENT RECYCLING CONTAINERS

Recycling bins are available for special events, concerts, fairs, and festivals for free. If your group would like to borrow recycling containers for your event, please contact Virginia Walton at 860-429-3333 or waltonvd@mansfieldct.org.

MANSFIELD LEADS THE WAY IN REDUCING TRASH

In Connecticut the amount of trash made per person is 808 pounds per year. For Mansfield residents who have trash service it is 518 pounds. Unlike most Connecticut communities where the expense of trash disposal is incorporated into property taxes and perceived as being "free", Mansfield charges by the volume of trash. For communities like Mansfield that offer "unit-based" pricing, the amount of waste per person drops significantly.

REPAIR CAFÉ JULY 8, 2017

Come to the Repair Café on Saturday, July 8, 2017, from 10 am to 2 pm at the First Congregational Church's Arnold Auditorium, 199 Valley Street, Willimantic. Skilled volunteers will be on hand to repair and teach repair skills to people bringing in books, bicycles, electronics, electrical and mechanical items, clothing and small wooden furniture that need to be fixed.

Recycle clean, dry, plastic bags and film packaging

Look for this label on film products like these...



Retail Bags



Newspaper Bags



Produce Bags



Case Wrap
(e.g. snacks, beverage cases)



Bread Bags

**Recycle if
Clean & Dry**

**Store
Drop-off**

PLASTIC

BAGS / FILM / WRAP



Napkin, Paper Towel, Bathroom
Tissue and Diaper Wrap
(packaging)



Air Pillows



Dry Cleaning Bags

how2recycle.info

- NO** frozen food bags
- NO** prewashed salad mix bags
- NO** degradable bags



Recycled plastic bags and wraps can become new packaging or durable home building products.



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