

# Quarterly Trash & Recycling Service Updates

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JANUARY THROUGH MARCH 2020

860-429-3333

<http://www.mansfieldct.gov/trash>

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## TRASH & RECYCLING SERVICE CHANGES

**The weeks of Christmas and New Years** – collection for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday service will be one day later. On the [www.mansfieldct.gov/trash](http://www.mansfieldct.gov/trash) website you can access a [2020 trash service calendar](#). Select “2020 Collection Schedule” under the task bar heading “Residential Trash/Recycle Collection.”

## WINTER WEATHER

**Sign Up For E-mail Notifications**—Be informed of trash service changes in the event of inclement weather by going to [www.mansfieldct.gov](http://www.mansfieldct.gov). Select the “Sign up for Notifications” icon, type in your e-mail address and select the Trash Service icon. We send out notices only when there is a change in the service.

**During a Snow Storm**—Please do not place your containers on the road. Snow plows need access to clear the roads. Consider skipping collection and putting out extra the following week or using the transfer station at no cost. In either case, notify the Recycling Coordinator at 860-429-3333 or [waltonvd@mansfieldct.org](mailto:waltonvd@mansfieldct.org).

## CHRISTMAS TREES

Trees are not collected curbside. Instead, bring your live tree to the transfer station where it will be ground into wood chips. *No charge.*

## STRING OF LIGHTS RECYCLING

Recycle your string of lights that no longer work by bringing them to the Mansfield transfer station. They will be recycled with other wire products. *Please do not place them in the blue recycle container.*

## HOUSEHOLD BATTERIES

Disposable (alkaline) batteries can go in household trash. **Rechargeable** batteries should be recycled by bringing them to the transfer station. No charge.

## EXTRA HOUSEHOLD TRASH

You may put out a few extra bags of household trash (free of charge) on your collection day between December 26 and 31, 2019. Normally extra trash requires an extra bag tag to be collected. Bags of trash on the ground or overflowing the trash container should be tagged. Extra bag tags can be purchased in the Mansfield tax collector’s office in the Town Hall. The cost is \$3.50 for each additional 30 -35 gallon bag of trash. Or extra trash can be taken to the Mansfield transfer station.

## PUT TRASH OUT BY 6:00 A.M.

The time of day when the truck picks up both your trash and recyclables can fluctuate. Please put your trash and recyclables out either the night before collection or by 6:00 a.m. to avoid missing service.

## TRANSFER STATION HOLIDAY HOURS

Tuesday, December 24, 2019 - 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Thursday, December 26, 2019 - 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday, December 28, 2019 - 8:30 to 4:00 pm

Tuesday, December 31, 2019 - 8:30 am to 12:00 pm

Thursday, January 2, 2020 - 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

Saturday, January 4, 2020 - 8:30 am to 4:00 pm

### **SWAP SHOP WINTER HOURS**

The swap shop will be closed for the months of January and February, reopening in March, weather permitting. To confirm that the swap shop is open, call the transfer station at 860-429-7189.

### **IN PLACE OF THE SWAP SHOP—OTHER REUSE OPTIONS**

**Windham Area Interfaith Ministry** (WAIM) accepts household items of all sizes, as long as they are intact and in good condition. They are located at 866 Main St, Willimantic. You can arrange a pick-up for large furniture by calling 860-456-7270.

### **Storrs—Mansfield Area Tag Sale (Connecticut)**

A Facebook group where you can sell new or used items.

### **Buy Nothing Mansfield, CT**

To join this Facebook group, contact local volunteer Kara Fontaine via Facebook private message to verify that you live within the boundaries designated for this Buy Nothing community group. Learn more about the Buy Nothing Project at <http://buynothingproject.org/>

**Storrs Freecycle** is part of a worldwide online network that organizes recycling of goods among its users. If you have items that you no longer need or leftovers from a project, you can post it on Freecycle. If you are looking for an item, you might find it through Freecycle. All exchanges are free of charge. <https://groups.freecycle.org/StorrsCT>

### **REPAIR YOUR TREASURES AT THE REPAIR CAFE**

What do you do with a dress that has a tear or a lamp that no longer works? Bring it to the Repair Café on Saturday, January 11, 2020 from 10 am to 2 pm, (snow date - January 18) at the First Congregational Church, 199 Valley Street, Willimantic. The Repair Café is a FREE event open to the public. Skilled volunteers will repair – or teach you to repair – your broken item. **Repair Café 2020 schedule: January 11, April 11, July 11 & October 10**

### **TOOL LENDING LIBRARY**

Looking for the right tool for the job? The Mansfield Public Library has an assortment of hand and garden tools available for any adult borrower to check out. Stop by the library to see what is offered, or visit [www.mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org](http://www.mansfieldpubliclibraryct.org) to browse the collection online. For additional details call the Mansfield Public Library at 860-423-2501.

### **PAPER SHREDDING, APRIL 18, 2020**

Mark your calendar. The Town will be hosting on-site paper shredding at the transfer station on Saturday, April 18, 2020. Details to follow in the April trash bill inserts.