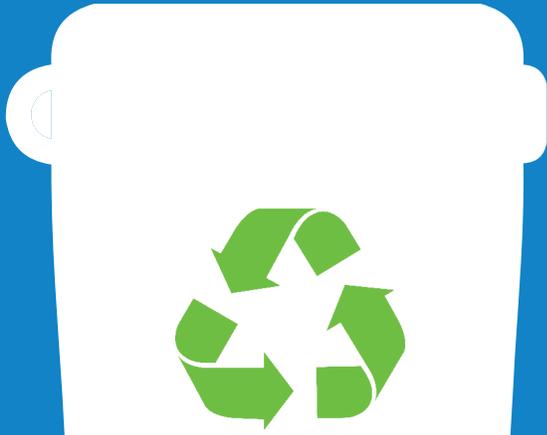


# TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN

## WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES



# 2016

### **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 [recycling@middletownri.com](mailto:recycling@middletownri.com)

**Republic Services:** 800 825-3260 ext 3

#### **For more information visit:**

[www.middletownri.com/recycling](http://www.middletownri.com/recycling)

#### **Facebook:**

[www.facebook.com/MiddletownRI](http://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 2016 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](http://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.

#### 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

For more detailed information, visit [RecycleTogetherRI.org](http://RecycleTogetherRI.org) or [AtoZ.RIRRC.org](http://AtoZ.RIRRC.org)

#### 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
- Greasy pizza boxes: Non-greasy tops are recyclable
- Chip bags and candy wrappers
- Hot beverage cups
- Styrofoam
- Needles
- Light bulbs, mirrors, broken glass
- Large/scrap metal pieces

### Bulk 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.

Please remember to leave 3 feet between your gray and blue carts to allow the truck's arm to collect the carts easily.

If you still have a green recycling bin, please call 401-842-6519 or email [recycling@middletownri.com](mailto:recycling@middletownri.com) to schedule a collection.

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](http://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.



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### 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 [recycling@middletownri.com](mailto:recycling@middletownri.com) and we will pick up your cart.

### Leaves and yard waste, Christmas trees

Leaves and yard waste (grass clippings, small branches, etc.) will be collected 23 weeks during the year (Christmas trees will be collected the week of January 11). 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, so please NO plastic bags and DO NOT place any trash in with your yard waste. Yard waste stickers are now available at the Department of Public Works. Yard waste will be collected with Christmas trees in January.

### Snow delays

Snow storms can delay collection schedule. For storm delay information call 401 842-6519 or visit [www.middletownri.com](http://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](http://www.rewaterlady.com) and picked up on April 23, 2016, between 9 a.m. and 11a.m. at the DPW Garage, 19 Berkeley Ave. Please call 401-842-6519 if you have questions.

### 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 2016, Middletown will hold four drop-off days on the following Saturdays: April 2, June 25, September 24, and November 19; locations to be announced. You MUST call 401-842-6519 or email [recycling@middletownri.com](mailto:recycling@middletownri.com) to schedule a drop-off appointment. We will accept electronic waste, rigid plastic 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](http://freecycle.org) or [craigslist.org](http://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 18 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.

# 2016 Collection Calendar

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

- Eco-Depots: **April 16:** Middletown - Second Beach
- June 18:** Portsmouth - PHS, 120 Education Way
- July 23:** Bristol - 111 Mount Hope Avenue
- September 17:** Tiverton - 50 Industrial Way
- October 1:** Newport - Easton's Beach, 175 Memorial Boulevard
- October 29:** Jamestown, Melrose School, 76 Melrose Avenue

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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:** Friday, January 1
- Martin Luther King, Jr. Day:** Monday, January 18
- Memorial Day:** Monday, May 30
- Independence Day:** Monday, July 4
- Victory Day:** Monday, August 8

- Labor Day:** Monday, September 5
- Columbus Day:** Monday, October 10
- Veterans' Day:** Friday, November 11
- Thanksgiving Day:** Thursday, November 24
- Christmas Day:** Monday, December 26 (observed)

### PLEASE NOTE:

There will be **NO DELAY** in collection on Presidents' Day (Monday, February 15).