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TOWN OF MIDDLETOWN

2021 WASTE & RECYCLING COLLECTION SERVICES



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2021

Dear Pay As You Throw Subscriber,
Contamination in the recycling cart
costs the town's refuse collection
program money. Please be sure
to put only acceptable recyclable
materials in the blue recycling cart.

For detailed guidelines visit
www.MiddletownRI.com/recycling.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:
Middletown Recycling Coordinator
9 Berkeley Ave, Middletown RI 02842
401 842-6519 or wcronin@middletownri.com
Republic Services: 800 825-3260 ext 3
Simple Recycling (pink bags): 866-835-5068



For more information visit:
www.middletownri.com/recycling
Facebook:
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 2021 collection calendar is included in this guide indicating holidays, yard waste collections, and Bulk Waste Amnesty Day Events.

Trash

When placed at the curb, maintain three feet of space between your carts, mailbox, car, etc., to allow enough room for the mechanical arm to grab the carts. Middletown has an annual user fee of \$141.00 for the trash and recycling program in addition to the price for PAYT bags. When the user fee is paid, you will receive a small sticker for each of your trash and recycling carts to help identify program users. 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 for a complete list of stores selling PAYT bags (\$1.00 per 8-gallon bag, \$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. For more detailed recycling information, visit RIRRC.org or AtoZ.RIRRC.org



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Excess cardboard

Cardboard can now be placed out with your recycling for curbside collection. Please break boxes down flat, cut or fold into 3' x 3' pieces, bundle into a manageable size, secure with twine or tape and place next to the recycling cart on your collection day.

Yard waste & Christmas trees

Yard waste (leaves, grass clippings, branches, etc.) will be collected 23 weeks during the year. Christmas trees will be collected the week of January 11, 2021; yard waste will also be collected this week. Yard waste must be placed in containers marked 'Yard Waste' or in paper compost bags. Branches must be tied in bundles, no longer than four feet. 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 locally, so please NO plastic bags and DO NOT place any trash in with your yard waste.

Bulk waste

Bulk waste includes items that will not fit inside a PAYT bag like sofas, chairs, mattresses, recliners, refrigerators, washers, microwave ovens, and air conditioners, etc. For curbside collection of bulky items, residents must first purchase a bulk waste sticker online (www.middletownri.com/bulk) or at the DPW Office at 9 Berkeley Avenue, between 7:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., and then contact Republic Services at 800-825-3260 ext 3. Sticker prices will vary depending on the item or items.



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Customer Service

If there is an issue with your trash, recycling or yard waste collection, please contact Republic Services' customer service at 800 825-3260 ext. 3 or visit www.RepublicServices.com and click the 'Contact Us' button and they will make arrangements to pick it up. The customer service line for Republic Services is open Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Saturday 7:30 a.m. to 12:00 pm. The phone number for the Middletown Recycling Coordinator Office is 401-842-6519. Please remember to leave either the blue or gray cart out with yard waste, so the Republic Services driver will be able to identify your yard waste as belonging to a PAYT customer.

Bulk Waste Amnesty Days

In 2021, Middletown will hold drop-off days on the following Saturdays: March 27, May 1, August 21, September 25 and November 6; locations to be announced. You MUST call 401-842-6519 or email wcronin@middletownri.com to schedule a drop-off appointment. Please note, no new appointments will be taken after 3PM two days before all bulk events. We will accept and recycle electronic waste, rigid plastic, mattresses, box springs and scrap metal at the bulk waste amnesty events.

Household hazardous waste

Rhode Island Resource Recovery Corporation, sponsor of the Eco-Depot events, has scaled back the number of events being held in the State. I will announce household hazardous waste collections in nearby communities on the Town's Webpage and in the email newsletter. Eco-Depots collections provide the community an opportunity to dispose of items such as cleaning chemicals, electronics, pesticides, garage chemicals, herbicides, etc. Call RIRRC's Eco-Depot 401-942-1430 x241 or www.RIRRC.org to make an appointment. More dates for events in our area will be posted on the Town's website and www.RIRRC.org.

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, craigslist.org or the Aquidneck Island Families Sell & Swap Facebook page.

Simple recycling

In 2018, Middletown began offering free curbside pick-up of used clothes and small household items through a partnership with Simple Recycling. Every week, on collection day, residents can place unwanted clothes and small household items in pink Simple Recycling bags (or in regular trash bags marked for Simple Recycling) at the curb. The service is free for the Town and for residents, and is meant to provide a convenient curbside solution for textile recycling. For missed Simple Recycling collections call 866-835-5068 or visit www.simplerecycling.com. Additional pink bags are available at Middletown's Department of Public Works office, 9 Berkeley Ave.

(Be advised, this service may be periodically suspended due to COVID-19.)

Snow delays

Snow storms can delay collection schedule. For collection delay information call 401-842-6519, visit www.middletownri.com for updated information or 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 and/or treat the roadway. 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.

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2021 Collection Calendar

 Observed Holiday

 Yard Waste Pick-Up Week

17 Normal Pick-up, Town Offices Closed

 PAYT renewals due: **October 31**

 Bulk Waste Amnesty Days: **March 27, May 1, August 21, September 25 and November 6**. Locations to be announced.

Check www.RIRRC.org for announcements.

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November 2021

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Holiday Schedule

Our facilities and office will be closed on these dates.

New Year's Day: Wednesday, January 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Monday, January 18

Memorial Day: Monday, May 31

Independence Day: Saturday, July 5

Victory Day: Monday, August 9

Labor Day: Monday, September 6

Columbus Day: Monday, October 11

Veterans' Day: Wednesday, November 11

Thanksgiving Day: Thursday, November 25

Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25

PLEASE NOTE:

There will be *NO DELAY* in collection on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 15, or on Christmas Day, Saturday, December 25.