# Recycling - A through Z

Do you have items to discard which are NOT taken curbside? The Montgomery Township Environmental Commission has prepared this very helpful Recycling Beyond Curbside webpage to assist you in locating recycling destinations/options.

Batteries

More info under our Recycling Beyond Curbside webpage. Also:

Avoid the Spark: NJ Battery Disposal Guidelines

Business Waste Recycling Drop Off

Recycling is a legal requirement for all business locations.

In Somerset County small businesses with between one and 50 employees are allowed to drop off materials at:

### **Somerset County Recycling Center**

40 Polhemus Lane

M-F, 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.

The types of materials that will be accepted at the Recycling Center are newspapers; cardboard and chipboard; commingled containers, which include glass bottles, plastics bottles (marked with a #1 or #2), and steel, bi-metal, and aluminum cans. Bring recyclable items in a cardboard box or bucket.

The following items will not be accepted: electronic waste, scrap metal, tires, plastic bags, chemicals, or hazardous materials.

There will be no reimbursement for recyclable materials dropped off. For additional information, call the Somerset County Recycling Center at 732-469-3363.

CFL (Compact Fluorescent) Bulbs

True Value Hardware of Montgomery (in ShopRite Shopping Center), Home Depot, and Lowes provide free collection centers in their stores.

Electronics

**Drop-off Locations & Times For Somerset County Residents** 

Location, dates, and times are as follows:

#### When

1st Saturday Collections from 8:00am-2pm 2022 exceptions: July drop-off is held on July 9, Sept. drop-off is held on Sept. 10

#### Where

South County Public Works 410 Roycefield Road Hillsborough, NJ 08844

#### **Materials accepted**

Computer (Desktops & Laptops), Monitors (Cathode-Ray Tube & Flat Panel) and Televisions (Cathode-Ray Tube & Flat Panel); Telecommunication Equipment (Telephones, Cellular Phones), Telephone Mainframes, copiers, digital cameras, DVD players, e-book readers, fax machines, Keyboards, Mice, Cables, Wiring, Circuit Boards, Modems, Power Supplies, MP3 players, personal digital assistants (PDAs), printers, scanners, stereo and radio equipment, VCRs, Audio Visual Equipment, Typewriters, Mainframe Equipment & Controllers, Camcorders.

**NO Batteries will be accepted.** Household batteries may be disposed of in the regular trash. Bring lithium and rechargeable batteries to Somerset County's Household Hazardous Waste Collection events.

For information, contact Somerset County Recycling Coordinator Melissa Harvey at 908-231-7109 or by harvey [at] co.somerset.nj.us (email).

First Saturday of Month Somerset County Drop-off Days

Schedule & Rules Somerset City Recycling Center, 40 Polhemus Lane, Bridgewater, NJ. Forget to put your recycling curbside? You can bring it here and in addition recycle the following specific items: tires (up to 8), scrap metal, used oil, oil filters, antifreeze, or a microwave. For more information about this program, contact Recycling Coordinator Melissa Harvey at (908) 231-7109 or by harvey [at] co.somerset.nj.us (email).

Freezers, Refrigerators, AC Units, Dehumidifiers

These items may be brought to the Montgomery Twp. Container Facility.

The PSE&G Appliance Recycling Program that offered rebates and free pick-up has been discontinued for 2023. Check the PSE&G website to see if it will be offered again next year.

Somerset County sponsors disposal on specific dates at various locations. Call the County at (908) 231-7031 for further information or visit Somerset County Household Hazardous Waste Drop-off days.

#### Leaf and Grass Clipping Composting

For guidance on how to compost yard waste on your property, please attend one of Somerset County's upcoming Composting Workshops (in April & Sept. Call 908-231-7109 to register) or read Home Composting, a Rutgers Cooperative Research & Extension publication.

Montgomery Township does not have curbside pick-up of these items. Visit the Container Facility page to learn what to do with brush.

## Medicine/Rx Drug Disposal

There is a white walk-in medical waste drop box in the Montgomery Municipal Center, in the lobby to the right of the Police entrance. This location is open for use any time that municipal offices or the library are open.

In conjunction with Somerset County's Household Hazardous Waste Program, the Somerset County Sheriff's Office hosts its Rx Mission Drive-in/Drop-Off program at several permanent locations. There is also an annual national Take-Back Day. See the following local and national information:

- Permanent Drop-off Locations & Drive Through/Drop-off Program in Somerset County
- National Drug Take-Back Initiative
- How to Dispose of Unused Medicines

# Paint

Both latex and oil-based paints are accepted at Somerset County's Household Hazardous Waste Days. More info under the County Recycling page.

# Paper Shredding

Operation Secure Shred events are held at various convenient locations and open to all residents of Somerset County. Please bring some form of identification which establishes your Somerset County residency. All paper documents and cardstock folders are acceptable.

# Please No Magazines, Newspapers, Junk Mail, or Bulk Rate Mail

It is not necessary to remove staples or paperclips. Shredding can be done in front of you while you wait and all containers can be returned. For more information, please contact 908-203-

6018.

Sign up for further notices regarding the shredding calendar directly from Somerset County.

**Plastics** 

Plastics #1 - #7 which may be Recycled Curbside

#### **Plastic Toys, Gently Used**

Montgomery Township Department of Public Works and Second Chance Toys have teamed up to collect your gently used plastic toys for children in need. This is being done on an ongoing basis.

### Second Chance Toys Flier

Toys Accepted: Plastic, clean, no missing parts, batteries function.

Not Accepted: Stuffed animals, slides, pools, sand boxes, car seats, fast food premiums.

Used Oil

The following will accept waste oil in our area. Call before you go to make sure they are open and accepting oil at this time.

- Montgomery Township Municipal Garage (during container facility open days). A five (5) gallon limit per visit. Oil only no filters or antifreeze.
- Car Parts on Amwell Road (908) 874-7550, Hapi Auto Parts on Amwell Road (908) 359-2300, or STS Car Service Center, Route 206 (609) 921-8200
- Somerset County Recycling Center (8:00 a.m.- noon, first Saturday of each month). The County will also accept filters and antifreeze.

# **Used Tires**

Tires are not taken at the Container Facility but may be dropped off on the first Saturday of the month at the County Recycling Center at 40 Polhemus Lane in Bridgewater from 8:00 a.m. until noon. There is an eight (8) tire maximum at any one time. There are also special tire recycling events at various locations throughout the year. Call Somerset County Recycling at for details at (908) 231-7031.