

Borough of Spotswood



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Reduce – Reuse
Recycle

2021 SPRING/SUMMER SCHEDULE

LEAVES will be collected every Monday from **April 5** through **April 26**. Place leaves in **biodegradable paper bags only** (no plastic) and **place at curbside the night before**. The Borough does not supply bags for spring cleanup.

GRASS will be collected every Monday from **May 3** through **October 18**. Place grass in an open container (weight limit 50 lbs.) or in **biodegradable paper bags only** (no plastic). If the date is a holiday, the grass will be picked up with the next household collection.

BRUSH collections will be scheduled twice a month, by appointment only, from **April 5** through **October 18**. Tree parts must be no more than five (5) inches in diameter, cut and tied with string or cord, in lengths not to exceed four (4) feet. The Borough is not responsible for removal of tree parts larger than five (5) inches in diameter. Please call (732) 416-1829 for an appointment.

TWIGS measuring less than one (1) inch in diameter by four (4) feet long can be put out with your trash in an open container.

BULK collections will be scheduled twice a month by appointment only; bulk includes such items as furniture, windows, and other large debris, **and should be placed at curbside no sooner than the night before collection**. Lumber must be cut and tied, and all nails removed or bent over. For appointment, please call (732) 416-1829.

METAL and **CONSUMER ELECTRONIC DEVICES (CEDs)** may be brought to the recycling drop-off center on Third Street, or you may schedule curbside pickup by calling 732-416-1829. **CEDs** include **computers** (desktop and laptop), **monitors**, **desktop printers**, **fax machines**, and **televisions only**. Items such as scanners, modems, cables, and keyboards should be included in household trash and **will not** be accepted at the recycling center.

Sanitation Ordinance: #174.3 –Garbage Receptacles Regulated- All receptacles shall be set by the opponent at the curb line no earlier than the evening proceeding the collection days.

No receptacle may exceed 50 lbs.





RECYCLING DROP-OFF CENTER

1 Third Street @ DPW Yard
(off of Brunswick Avenue)

SPOTSWOOD RESIDENTS ONLY

John Mayer, Jr. 732-251-3120

HOURS of OPERATION

Monday through Friday – 7:00 am to 3:00 pm
Saturday – 8:00 am to 12:00 noon
Sundays & Holidays – Closed



NON-RECYCLABLE MATERIALS ARE PROHIBITED AT CENTER

RECYCLABLES THAT ARE ACCEPTED

1. Glass, Aluminum, Bi-metal Cans (must be rinsed and free of food particles)
2. Newspapers tied with string or cord (no paper or plastic bags)
3. Cardboard (must be flattened)
4. Motor Oil (sealed in gallon containers)
5. Textiles (clothing/fabric)
6. Plastic Containers (only those identified with the recycling logo #1, #2, or PET-HDPE)
7. Mixed Paper/Junk Mail
8. Consumer Electronics (see page 1)

HAZARDOUS WASTE NOT ACCEPTED

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| Aerosol Cans | Lighter Fluid |
| Anti-Freeze | Oil-Based Paint |
| Car Batteries | Paint Thinner |
| Drain Cleaners | Pesticides/Herbicides |
| Driveway Sealer | Photographic Chemicals |
| Gas/Oil Mix | Pool Chemicals |
| Gasoline | Propane Tanks |
| Household Batteries | Stains/Varnishes |
| Latex Paints | Thermometers
(mercury) |

Please follow these simple rules:

DO NOT

- * Include garden hoses, VHS tapes, used syringes, toys, carpet, plates, shoes, clothing, cups, utensils or plastic bags in your Curbside Recycling Bin
- * Recycle any boxes or papers that are covered in food, grease or liquids.
- * Recycle any bottles that contained hazardous materials (*empty motor oil, pesticide, antifreeze, or paint containers*).

DO

- * Reuse your plastic bags at home, or see if the local grocery store accepts them for recycling.
- * Recycle your pizza boxes if they do not have grease or other food on them, or consider only recycling the top of the box.
- * Recycle your clothing at clothing drop – off boxes.
- * Pour out liquids from food and beverage bottles/cans before putting in recycling bin.

PAPER SHREDDING EVENT

Dates are subject to change.

Please refer to the Middlesex County website for updated information.

<http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov/government/departments/psh/pages/paper-shredding-.aspx>

All times are from 9:00 am - 12 pm, or until shredding truck is filled, whichever occurs first.

Events are held rain or shine.

Residents must wear face coverings, keep their vehicle windows closed and stay in their vehicles at all times. Please have your materials in your trunk, cargo area or truck bed, easily accessible to our staff, who will remove it from your vehicle.

Date	Location
Saturday, March 27	Municipal Center Parking Lot, One Old Bridge Plaza (off Rt.516), Old Bridge 08857
Friday, April 9	Monroe Veterans Park, Avenue K, Monroe 08831
Saturday, April 10	Metuchen Edgar School - Rear Parking Lot, Whitman and Lake Avenue, 08840
Saturday, April 24	North Brunswick Babbage Park, Laurel Place, 08902
Saturday, May 8	Sayreville Senior Center Parking Lot, 423 Main Street, 08872
Saturday, May 22	Carteret Community Center, 100 Cooke Avenue, 07008
Friday, June 11	Middlesex Boro Municipal Complex, 1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex 08846
Saturday, June 12	Woodbridge Department of Public Works, 225 Smith Street, Keasbey 08832
Saturday, June 26	South River Department of Public Works, 9 Ivan Way, 08882
Friday, July 9	New Brunswick High School Parking Lot, 1000 Somerset Street (Rt. 27) 08901
Saturday, July 10	Papaianni Park, 100 Municipal Blvd., Edison 08817
Saturday, July 24	Spotswood High School Parking Lot, 105 Summerhill Road, 08884
Saturday, August 14	Cranbury School, 23 North Main Street, 08512
Friday, August 27	Donaldson Park, South Second Avenue, Highland Park, 08904
Saturday, August 28	South Amboy High/Middle School Parking Lot, 200 Governor Hoffman Plaza, 08879

Limit of 5 file boxes or 100 pounds per car. • Paper must be in a manageable container - no Plastic Bags.

NOTE: No need to remove paper clips or staples.

DO NOT BRING: Newspapers, magazines, hardcover books, junk mail, photos, x-rays, CDs, shredded paper or garbage. Loads containing unacceptable items may be rejected.

RESIDENTIAL PAPER ONLY - NO BUSINESSES.

Due to the new safety measures adopted for these events because of the COVID 19 Emergency, we will not be accepting any MCFOODS program food donations at these events.



CURBSIDE RECYCLING COLLECTION SCHEDULE

Place containers at curbside the night before scheduled pick-up.



Every other Wednesday, as follows:

MAR 3, 17, 31	
APR 14, 28	JUL 7, 21
MAY 12, 26	AUG 4, 18
JUN 9, 23	SEP 1, 15, 29

Go to

<http://www.middlesexcountynj.gov/Government/Departments/PSH/Pages/Solid-Waste-Management.aspx>

for additional information.

Recycling Hotline: (800) 488-MCIA (6242)

Due to the current public health emergency, some Middlesex County Solid Waste Management programs have changed. Please check each program page of the MCIA Recycling Page for the most up to date status.

2021 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS MIDDLESEX COUNTY RESIDENTS ONLY

Hours of Operation 8:00 am – 2:00 pm

Sun. March 15	8am-2pm	Middlesex County College 2600 Woodbridge Avenue Edison, NJ 08837
Sat. May 16	8am-2pm	Middlesex County Public Works 97 Apple Orchard Lane North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Sun. June 14	8am-2pm	Old Bridge Dept. of Public Works 1 Old Bridge Municipal Plaza, Old Bridge, NJ 08857
Sat. August 29	8am-2pm	Woodbridge Department of Public Works 225 Smith Street Keasbey, NJ 08832

Visit www.co.middlesex.nj.us for additional information

MIDDLESEX COUNTY RESIDENTIAL PAINT DROP-OFF PROGRAM

Hours of Operation 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

1ST Saturday – East Brunswick Reclamation Center, 357 Dunhams Corner Road
Middlesex Borough Recycling Center, 1200 Mountain Avenue

3rd Saturday – Helmetta, 51 Main Street (Behind Borough Hall)
Monroe Public Works, 76 Gravel Hill-Spotswood Road

Acceptable items include: latex (water-based) paint, oil-based paint, stains, varnishes, lacquers, thinners, spray paint (aerosol), and driveway sealer. Items must be labeled.

**MIDDLESEX COUNTY RESIDENTIAL
TIRE DROP-OFF PROGRAM**
Middlesex County Residents Only.

East Brunswick Reclamation Center
357 Dunhams Corner Rd., East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Monday - Friday 7:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Saturday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sayreville Recycling Center (Fort Grumpy)
3775 Bordentown Ave., Sayreville, NJ 08872
Monday & Friday 7:30 AM - 2:30 PM
1st & 3rd Saturday 7:00 AM - 12 noon
*No Businesses,
4 tires per household per month,
Automobile and light trucks only.*

COOKING OIL RECYCLING PROGRAM

East Brunswick Reclamation Center
357 Dunhams Corner Road, East Brunswick, NJ 08816
Every Saturday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

OLD BRIDGE PUBLIC WORKS
1 Old Bridge Plaza (Route 516 & Cottrell Road)
Every Saturday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Monroe Department of Public Works
76 Gravel Hill-Spotswood Road, Monroe, NJ
Every Friday 8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

• Middlesex County Residents Only (proof of residency required) • Liquid vegetable oils only • No shortening, coconut oil, lard or motor oil • NO BUSINESSES • Residents must see an attendant before unloading their vehicle.

  **SANITATION HOLIDAYS for 2021**  

MEMORIAL DAY	MONDAY, MAY 31 No Collections Grass will be collected with next household pickup
LABOR DAY	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 6 No Collections Grass will be collected with next household pickup
COLUMBUS DAY	MONDAY, OCTOBER 11 No Collections Grass will be collected with next household pickup
VETERAN'S DAY	Thursday, NOVEMBER 11 No Collections Thursday route will be picked up on Friday.
THANKSGIVING DAY	THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 25 No Collections Sanitation will be collected Friday, November 26.

**NOTE TO HOMEOWNERS
PLANNING OUTSIDE REMODELING**

Per Borough Ordinance 205-5 Meters Section C. Meter Tampering: “All meters shall be examined periodically by a representative of the Borough and resealed and/or repaired, where required. Meters shall be tagged with a warning notice if any unusual circumstances exist. If any meter is tampered with, a penalty shall ensue at the amount of \$50 plus an additional \$40 for each quarter year which has elapsed since the last meter reading.” For questions or concerns, please call the Spotswood Water and Sewer Utility Department at 732-416-1827.



💧 A copy of the Spotswood Borough Annual Water Quality Report may be picked up at the Spotswood Municipal Building, or viewed online at:

www.spotswoodboro.com/forms/waterquality.pdf

💧 Odd/even water restrictions are in effect May 1 through September 15.

PET WASTE POLLUTES OUR WATERS

Your everyday activities can affect water quality. Help reduce the amount of pollution that flows into our waterways by following the tips below:

- 💧 Pick up after your pet. Properly dispose of pet waste into the trash or toilet. Animal waste contains coliform bacteria, which is harmful to our health, and, when washed into swimming waters, can result in beach closings.
- 💧 Carry newspaper or plastic bags to pick up the waste when you walk your pet. Nuisance laws prohibit you from allowing your pet's waste to remain on private or public land.
- 💧 When treating your pet and yard for fleas and ticks, check with your veterinarian for safe substitutes. Never dispose of flea dip liquid on the ground or in the storm drain. It should be disposed of as a household hazardous waste. For a list of county household hazardous waste disposal centers, please visit www.co.middlesex.nj.us.
- 💧 Do not feed wildlife such as geese, pigeons, ducks, and deer. Feeding results in additional pollution from their waste.

