



New Automated Solid Waste Collection Program Begins - July/August 2009

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The Town of Londonderry is introducing a new automated solid waste collection program. Each household will be provided with one 65-gallon container (with wheels) that will be picked up by a truck with an automatic arm. The Town of Londonderry as a whole has embraced recycling since 1988 and this change represents one of the areas in the municipal budget where residents can proactively control town expenditures without a reduction in service. We strongly believe that this 65-gallon container will be sufficient for homeowners if they recycle their recyclable materials (glass, plastic, cans, paper, and cardboard) according to town guidelines.

The following information summarizes the changes:

Solid Waste

- One 65-gallon container, coded with a serial number assigned to each household, will be delivered during July/August. Residents can start using these containers as soon as they receive them. Allied Waste Services will send around 2 types of trucks for trash pickup until all containers have been delivered.
- Containers must be placed at least 3' away from any other object (mailbox, light post, parked car etc.) and no more than 8' from the edge of the pavement.
- Brochures with additional information on collection procedures will be provided with each container.

Available Options – You must notify the Public Works Department of any options chosen other than the standard 65-gallon container listed above:

- A downgrade to a 32-gallon container will be available for those residents that would like a smaller container than the standard 65-gallon container (no charge).
- For an occasional special event, if additional volume is needed, an extra 30-gallon bag will be available for the purchase price of \$3.00 each at the Town Hall. The staff will review other locations as feasible.
- An additional 32-gallon container will be available for a fee of \$150.00 for the initial year the container is issued to a resident and a \$105.00 fee for each subsequent twelve month period. If at the end of the 1-year period you wish to return the extra container please contact the Public Works Department.

- An additional 65-gallon container will be available for a fee of \$200.00 for the initial year the container is issued to a resident and a \$150.00 fee for each subsequent twelve month period. If at the end of the 1-year period you wish to return the extra container please contact the Public Works Department.
- Waiver of Fee – The fee for an additional waste container (32-gallon or 65-gallon) shall be waived for household units that have six (6) or more people living there. The Department of Public Works may waive the fee for an additional waste container for households that have less than six (6) occupants but have family members such as older adults or individuals with special needs that have personal care items to dispose of that cannot be reduced and add greatly to the overall volume of household waste.

Recycling

- The method of disposing recyclables has not changed. Recycle bins are available at the Public Works Department. .
- The recycling program will be improved to allow corrugated cardboard to be 3' X 3' X 3' (instead of 2' X 2' X 2') and can be placed together with mixed paper.
- Old trash barrels can be used as recycling containers if they are properly labeled as such. Labels will be provided for residents at the Town Hall.

For detailed information regarding solid waste disposal and recycling please check the additional information on this website's Environmental Services Division or call Public Works Department at 603-432-1100 X193.