



## Recycling Information

Many residents may not know that recycling is the law in New Jersey. In Sayreville we recognize that it's important for many other reasons. Recycling reduces waste, saves tax dollars and conserves energy by giving previously used natural resources a new life. Sayreville provides curbside recycling services that are managed by the Middlesex County Improvement Authority of "mixed paper", "cardboard", and "commingled" recyclables (i.e. metal, plastic and glass). In addition, we have our drop-off center, Fort Grumpy, located at 3775 Bordentown Ave. They are open for **recyclables** on Monday and Fridays from 7:30 am to 2:30 pm, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month from 7:00 am to 12 noon.

Below is a summary of the items accepted for curbside collection, followed by a brief itemized listing of other recyclables accepted by the Borough of Sayreville. Please see schedules for Bi-Weekly Pickup.



### **COMMINGLED:**

#### **The following items are commingled recyclables and must be recycled:**

Rinsed containers including: plastic containers marked 1 & 2 (no Styrofoam or bags) that contained beverages, bleach, laundry detergent, light cleaning products, health care product (lotion, shampoo, etc.). Metal cans and glass bottles and/or jars that contained food or beverages are also accepted.

#### **Unacceptable products:**

Drinking glasses, window glass, mirrors, Pyrex glassware, light bulbs, plastic toys, aluminum foil, polystyrene or Styrofoam (such as plastic cups or food trays), paint cans, gutters, oil cans, aerosol cans, pesticide containers, and plastic bags.

#### **How to place out for curbside collection:**

Place metal cans, glass and plastic bottles in the round, blue container provided by the Borough of Sayreville / MCIA. Any overflow can be placed in your own unlidded plastic or metal container (no larger than 32 gallons in capacity) Containers should be rinsed clean and crushed to maximize capacity. Remove and dispose of caps.



### **NEWSPAPER AND MIXED PAPER:**

**The following items are considered mixed paper and must be recycled:**

Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, brown paper bags, nonmetallic wrapping paper, office records, computer paper, file folders, receipts, telephone books, soft cover books, hardcover books with covers removed, greeting cards, paperboard such as non-wax coated food and cereal boxes, pizza boxes, tissue boxes, shoe boxes and gift boxes.

**How to place out for curbside collection:**

Place newspaper and mixed paper in the blue rectangular bin. Close the lid tightly when you leave the bin at the curb.

**NOT ACCEPTED:**

Newspaper and mixed paper in plastic bags or paper leaf bags.



### **CARDBOARD/PAPERBOARD:**

Corrugated cardboard, layered cardboard with a center that is shaped into ridges, folds or grooves (such as shipping boxes and the packaging for most appliances or larger household items).

**How to place out for curbside collection:**

Flatten the cardboard and tie the sheets into stacks no larger than 24 inches high.

**NOT ACCEPTED:**

Cardboard in bundles larger than 24 inches square and cardboard in plastic bags.

### **INFORMATION ABOUT RECYCLING OF SPECIFIC HOUSEHOLD ITEMS:**

#### **BULKY TRASH PICKUP:**

Bulky trash is collected 3 times per year. Delays may occur due to a high volume of pick up calls.

Zone 1: April 12, July 12, October 4

Zone 2: April 19, July 19, October 18

Zone 3: April 26, July 26, October 25

**NOT ACCEPTED:** Television sets, tires and computers must be recycled, and they are not part of bulky trash.

**Bulky trash is collected on the above mentioned dates by appointment only. Please call Public Works 732 390-7042 on the Monday or Tuesday before your scheduled pick up day to be placed on our list.**



**APPLIANCES:**

Curbside pickup of HOUSEHOLD appliances is BY APPOINTMENT ONLY and collected January through September.

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, all zones: items containing refrigerants.

4<sup>th</sup> Friday: white goods.

Schedule exceptions: April and July cancelled.



**RESIDENTIAL COMPUTER/TV RECYCLING:**

Borough residents (not businesses) can recycle old computers and televisions at the Sayreville Recycling Center (Fort Grumpy). Hours are weekdays, Monday and Friday only, 7:30 am to 2:30 pm, and the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays, 7 am to 12 noon. Proof of residency is required.

Items accepted: Desktop and laptop computers, monitors, scanners, modems, keyboards, printers, cables and televisions.



**GRASS CLIPPINGS:**

Grass clippings are recycled in Sayreville from May 7th to August 31<sup>st</sup>. Clippings may be placed curbside in a covered, sturdy container, no larger than 32 gallons. Containers must have two handles for easy lifting and the container must be clearly marked "Grass Clippings". Do not mix with any other type of waste. Make sure to place container at curbside by 6 am on the designated collection day. Plastic bags or biodegradable bags are NOT acceptable for curbside collection of grass clippings.

**FORT GRUMPY GRASS DROP-OFF:**

Optional drop-off at Fort Grumpy on designated days only. No landscapers are permitted. No leaf bags are accepted with grass.



**LEAVES:**

Leaves must be placed curbside in BIODEGRADABLE PAPER BAGS ONLY. Weight limit: 30 pounds. The bags are provided to residents at no charge, and are available with proof of residency at the Public Works Building or Fort Grumpy Recycling Center. The bags will not be collected if used for any other type of waste. NO PLASTIC BAGS will be collected at curbside or accepted at the recycling center.

**SPRING**

Zone 1: March 8, May 10

Zone 2: March 9, May 11

Zone 3: March 15, May 17

**FALL**

Zone 1: Nov. 1,9,29 and Dec. 7, 20

Zone 2: Nov. 2, 15, 30 and Dec. 13, 21

Zone 3: Nov. 8, 16, and Dec. 6, 14, 27



## **BRANCHES**

Branches are collected on the first and third Fridays of February, March, May, June, August and September. The branches **MUST BE BUNDLED AND TIED OR THEY WILL NOT BE COLLECTED**. The Borough will collect branches no larger than five inches in diameter, plus shrubs and tree parts. All items must be tied in bundles, not to exceed four feet in length, or 30 pounds in weight. Smaller twigs can be placed in open, hard-type containers. Branches left untied or placed in plastic bags or biodegradable bags will not be collected.