TOWN OF ERVING

July 2020 – June 2021

Solid Waste & Recycling Collection Guide for Residents

Frequently asked questions:

●When is my trash and recycling collected in Erving and is there a fee?

Trash and recyclables are collected in Erving every Friday. Holidays, as marked on the trash schedule, will move collection day to Saturday. This is a free service to Town residents. See **page 7** to see the schedule.

●How and where do I get a recycling bin:

You can contact the Highway Department at 413-423-3500 to plan to receive recycling bins. They are free of charge.

●I have questions on what to recycle.

See **pages 3 and 4** for detailed lists of what and how to recycle. Also, visit www.springfieldmrf.org.

●Can I use my own container for curbside trash?

Yes. See page 2 for general rules and detailed curbside trash information.

●What if I have materials that cannot be put into the trash or recycling?

See **page 2** for detailed information on what to do with items that cannot be put into trash or be recycled.

●What do I do with large bulky items that I need to get rid of?

See **page 2** for the list of bulky items and fees for items that are accepted at our Highway Facility and instructions on how to proceed.

See **page 2** for items that are accepted at another facility.

See **page 5** to find out details about our annual **Almost Anything Goes Program**. This is a free service for Town residents.

●Is there somewhere in Town that I can drop off batteries? Cell phones?

Button and non-alkaline batteries and cell phones can be dropped off at Town Hall, 12 East Main Street. Alkaline batteries go into the trash

PAGE 6: FREE LEAF COLLECTION INFORMATION!

HELPFUL QUICK TIPS:

7:00 AM: Please have your trash and recycling out by this time on Friday morning (or Saturday if a marked Holiday)

Refer to Recycling Schedule: You will find the recycling schedule in every issue of the Around Town Newsletter and we have also made it available in this publication. You will need to know whether it is a paper or container week.

Sort Recyclables: It is easy! 2 bins!

One Bin for all paper and cardboard

- Please FLATTEN and BREAKDOWN cardboard boxes

One Bin for plastic, glass, and metal containers

- Please EMPTY and RINSE all containers

Items that cannot be recycled and must be thrown in your trash are listed on **page 3.**

You may contact the Erving Police Department if you have medications that you wish to safely dispose of: 413-423-3310

WHO DO I CALL IF MY TRASH OR RECYCLING IS NOT PICKED UP OR IF I HAVE A COMPLAINT?

Casella Waste Management Systems Inc.
1 (800) 227-3552

Stay on the line to speak with an operator

RESIDENTIAL CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION GENERAL RULES
(only for Erving-generated waste & recycling)

- *NO TRASH BAG OR RECYCLING CONTAINER MAY EVER WEIGH MORE THAN **35 POUNDS** AT ANY TIME*
- Trash & recycling is collected weekly
- All trash and recycling must be placed curbside by 7:00 AM on the collection day and can be placed curbside the night before after 7:00 PM.
- Trash & recycling must be placed neatly on the curbside without blocking the sidewalk, fire hydrants, or impeding traffic on the roadway.
- Truck routes and schedules are subject to change without notice during the day
- Recycling or trash buried under snow WILL NOT be picked up

TRASH COLLECTION DETAILS

Containers: The Town does not supply trash containers. Residents are free to use whatever containers they choose as long as the trash bags weigh less than 35lbs when full (drivers manually lift containers). Residents may also place bags curbside. Trash in barrels must be bagged, no loose trash.

IMPORTANT: Do not use **contractor bags** or paper yard waste bags for curbside trash collection. These bags will ***NOT*** be collected.

Limits: Household trash can be placed in bags sized up to 33 gallons. Bags can weigh up to 35 pounds. NO "business" trash accepted.

The following CANNOT be put curbside for trash collection:

Construction/Demo Debris	Appliances/White Goods	Recyclables
Yard Waste	Fluorescent Light Bulb	Wet Paint/ Cans
Sharps	Lead Acid or Lithium Batteries	Hazardous Waste
Oil Based Paint, Varnishes, Solvents	TVs and Electronics	Motor Oil

Receipt

Town of Erving
12 East Main Street
Erving, MA 01344

Resident Name & Address	Date to be dropped off
	You must contact the highway department to set up a date/time for drop off @ 413-423-3354
Erving, MA 01344	Date: TBD

NAME OF ITEM	Count	Cost Per	Total Cost
Tires		$4.00	$0.00
Mattress		$35.00	$0.00
Box Spring		$35.00	$0.00
Appliances			
Washer		$15.00	$0.00
Dryer		$15.00	$0.00
Dishwasher		$15.00	$0.00
Refrigerator		$15.00	$0.00
Freezer		$15.00	$0.00
Dehumidifier		$15.00	$0.00
Air Conditioner		$15.00	$0.00
Totals			$0.00

FREE ITEMS		Amount Collected
Television		
Microwave		
Stereo		$0.00
Computer		
DVD/VCR		☐Cash
Fax Machine		☐Check
Printer		
Total free items	0	

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

For a fee, residents can bring tires, mattresses, and appliances to the Highway Facility (16 Public Works Blvd). Fees must be paid at the Town Hall and items dropped off at the Highway Department. Electronics are free to drop off.

Once you have paid for your items and received a receipt, call 413-423-3500 for an appointment.

FRANKLIN COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

for other items such as Hazardous Waste, Mercury items, Lead Acid or Lithium Batteries and many other items. They also have special collection days (hazardous waste day every fall), etc. Please visit their website as it is packed with useful collection information. They also have a free sharps and needle collection program.

Email: info@franklincountywastedistrict.org

Phone: 413-772-2438

(Relay for the hearing impaired: 711 or 1-800-439-2370 (TTY/TDD))

For information about recycling, composting, hazardous waste disposal and more, please visit www.franklincountywastedistrict.org

RECYCLING COLLECTION DETAILS

DUAL STREAM RECYCLING: Mixed Paper may be placed in a Blue Bin or personal container(s). Glass, Plastic and Metals may be combined in a Blue Bin or personal container(s). **PLASTIC BAGS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN RECYCLING BINS**

ACCEPTABLE CONTAINER. Residents can pick up a free 14-gallon recycling bin at the Highway Facility, 16 Public Works Blvd. Please call (413) 423-3500 before traveling to this location to make an appointment to get a bin. Larger personal containers (such as a 30-gallon barrel) or wheeled carts may be used, with total weight less than 35lbs each when full.

If using barrels or carts, please label the container for trash with a "T" and the recycling container with an "R" to assist the collection workers.

Limits: There is NO LIMIT on curbside recycling but each container must weigh less than 35lbs. Cardboard: Please break down, remove packing materials such as bubble wrap and Styrofoam™, flatten and fold or cut boxes & other pieces of cardboard to 3' x 3' & place next to your bin. *Boxes not broken down will ***NO***T be picked up.

ATTENTION

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OUT OF YOUR BIN!

- Rigid plastic packaging, pails, buckets, toys
- Compostable Plastics (PLA7)
- Shredded Paper
- Plastic Bags, Wraps or Pouches #1
- Hypodermic needles
- Foods and Liquids
- Hot Coffee Cups (all types)
- Napkins, Tissues, Towels or Wipes
- Garden Hoses, String Lights, Ropes, or other "Tanglers"
- Clothing or Linens
- Styrofoam
- Aerosol cans

THE "YES AND NO" OF RECYCLING IN WESTERN MASS

YES - emptied, rinsed and unbagged:	NO - do not place in municipal recycling:
Aluminum ➢ cans ➢ aluminum foil ➢ pie pans, "disposable" aluminum trays	aerosol cans siding scrap metal foil-wrapped pouches (kids drinks, fruit, baby food) pots & pans holiday lights utensils tools batteries
Steel (tin) cans *Labels do not need to be removed.* ➢ food and beverage cans (metal lids OK) ➢ pet food cans (metal lids OK)	aerosol cans tanks of any kind hangers scrap metal paint cans pots & pans utensils tools toys holiday lights appliances pipes fuel tanks car parts batteries
Glass *Empty and rinse.* *Labels do not need to be removed.* ➢ food and beverage bottles and jars, any color	broken glass holiday lights wine corks dishes drinking glasses ceramics baking dishes cookware (Pyrex) canning jars fluorescent light bulbs incandescent light bulbs plate glass windows eye glasses vases mirrors syringes, sharps
Plastics *Empty and rinse. Plastic caps may be left on.* *ONLY containers smaller than 2.5 gallons are recyclable.* ➢ food bottles, tubs, jars: yogurt, cooking oil, condiments, peanut butter, margarine ➢ beverage bottles and jugs: water, juice, soda, milk (empty, rinse if possible, put caps back ON) ➢ soap bottles: dish soap, detergent, hand sanitizer ➢ personal care bottles: hair products, soaps ➢ clear plastic clamshells (no black or Styrofoam™) ➢ clear plastic cups, clear plastic egg cartons	plastic bags plastic wrap/cling wrap cellophane food bags (e.g., candy bars, cookies, pasta) frozen food bags/pouches liners from food packaging plastic plates cups: color or opaque Styrofoam™ (polystyrene): - cups/take-out containers - egg cartons - packaging, peanuts - meat trays small items: straws, loose lids, utensils black plastic compostable plastics cookie trays blister pack packaging tubes: toothpaste, hair care prescription pill bottles refillable water bottles toys flower pots holiday lights containers that held hazardous substances: automotive products, pool chemicals, pesticides, etc. containers over 2.5 gallons: 5-gallon pails, buckets, recycling bins, laundry baskets lawn furniture, swimming pools tarps hoses; PVC piping or tubing CD, DVD, VCR tapes/cases syringes, sharps electronics
Cartons *Recycle w/containers, not w/paper. Straws go in trash.* ➢ milk and juice cartons (plastic spout OK) ➢ soymilk, soup and drink boxes (remove straws)	foil-wrapped pouches (kids drinks, fruit, baby food) frozen food boxes ice cream cartons frozen juice cartons plastic straws
Paper and Cardboard *Clean paper only. Flatten boxes.* *"Windows" in envelopes, staples, paper clips, tape all OK* ➢ newspaper, inserts, magazines, junk mail ➢ white, colored, glossy, and construction paper ➢ corrugated cardboard ➢ **clean** pizza boxes *(no grease or food)* ➢ boxboard (i.e. cereal, pasta, tissue: windows ok) ➢ gift wrap, gift bags, gift tissue paper, cards (no metallic inks, foil, wire, glitter, batteries) ➢ paperback books and phonebooks (covers OK)	shredded paper soda, seltzer, beer cartons frozen food boxes ice cream cartons frozen juice cartons butter, margarine boxes paper cups paper plates paper egg cartons take-out containers paper towels, napkins tissues plastic bags, plastic packaging Tyvek/ bubble wrap envelopes stickers & sticker sheeting copy paper wrappers blueprints hardcover books dirtied paper (pet waste, paint) wet paper, wet cardboard waxed cardboard pizza boxes with food or grease For more information: springfieldmrf.org

For more information visit the Springfield MRF online: www.springfieldmrf.org.

Almost Anything Goes Program

Program: Annually during the first week of May, the Town operates a residential bulky waste collection project. The items must be items that cannot otherwise be collected with household trash or that can be disposed of at the Highway Department, 16 Public Works Blvd.

Goals of the program: The Town of Erving provides this service to the residents to achieve the following goals

- Reduce illegal dumping
- Improve the health and safety of residents

In order to participate, residents must do the following:

- Items must originate from households in Erving
- Residents may place items curbside for collection up to two (2) weeks in advance of the program start date. ***(Items placed out earlier will be considered illegal dumping)***
- Separate wood, metal, and general debris into neat piles
- Items cannot be placed on the street, on the sidewalk, or block a fire hydrant.

Collection Route: The Department begins collection on Erving-Side and will continue east through town. The Department works as quickly as possible, but depending on several factors, the collection could take up-to 2 weeks to complete. Once the Department has passed your house they will not return for collection.

What Can and Cannot Be Accepted?

Can be Accepted		Can NOT be Accepted
Bulky furniture: couches, futons, chairs, tables, etc.		Household trash & loose trash
Scrap metal: bicycle frames, empty containers, and posts		Construction debris
Small appliances: vacuum cleaners, toasters, microwaves etc.		Cars, boats, snowmobiles, and parts of such items
		Lawn mowers
		Grass clippings, tree branches, or tree stumps
		Tires
		Televisions or large appliances
		Concrete or masonry
		Mattresses or box springs
		Hazardous materials
		Any item longer than 10’

ILLEGAL DUMPING

Items left by someone other than the homeowner will be considered illegal dumping and will result in a fine of up to $3,000.00.

If you believe that illegal dumping has occurred, please call the Erving Police Department at (413) 423-3310.

Please DO NOT call the Erving Highway Department.

Annual Residential Leaf Collection Program

Program: Annually during the first week of November, the Town operates a residential tree leaf collection program. To participate, leaves should be raked into neat piles along the curbside. Additionally, piles should not block access to fire hydrants or sidewalks, nor encroach on the travel lane for the roadway. This is a free service for Erving residents.

The collection begins on Erving-Side and will continue east through town. The work is completed as quickly as possible, but depending on several factors, the collection could take up-to 2 weeks to complete.

The Town asks that residents ensure that leaf piles ***do not include*** the following:

- sticks/ branches
- pet waste
- garden waste
- glass/metal/ plastic
- any other household wastes

Please understand that piles that include these waste items will not be collected.

Explanation: These items cannot be collected because sticks and other items can clog the collection unit and damage the equipment. Pet waste is a biological hazard that should be disposed of through other means. This collection is only for tree leaves and the Town appreciates your cooperation.

Yard Waste Disposal Options

Did you know? Leaves, grass clippings and brush (less than 1 inch in diameter) are banned from the trash in Massachusetts. (www.mass.gov/guides/massdep-waste-disposal-bans) There are several options to dispose of this waste:

- Leaves, grass clippings, and brush are accepted for free by appointment at the Highway Department. Call the Highway Department to schedule your drop-off by calling (413) 423-3500.

- **Composting:** Leaves and non-meat food waste can be composted. Franklin County Solid Waste District sells discounted home compost bins at the Wendell and Orange transfer stations and at their office in Greenfield at 117 Main Street. www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/compostbinsales.html

- **Mulching**: Grass clippings can be used as mulch – consider leaving them where they fall. Grass clippings left on the lawn will decompose and act as a natural organic fertilizer. For more information, see www.mass.gov/doc/dont-trash-grass/download

TOWN OF ERVING

DUAL STREAM RECYCLING & TRASH SERVICE

2020-2021 CURBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR & DETAILS

- Trash is collected **every Friday**
- Paper & cardboard recycling is collected on the **white shaded** Friday collection day
- Plastic, glass, & metal is collected on the **gray shaded** Friday collection day
- Place trash & recycling at the curb by **7:00 AM** on Friday
- Weeks with a holiday have a one day delay in service, regardless of the day that the holiday falls on as depicted below
- The Town will notify you of any delays in service

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JUNE 2021

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= Paper & Cardboard = Plastic, Glass, & Metal = Holiday

Sorting your recyclables is quick and easy. Just focus on tossing all paper and cardboard into one bin and plastic, glass, and metal containers into another. Please **EMPTY** and **RINSE** all containers and **flatten** and **break down** cardboard boxes.

WHITE SHADED DAY

Cardboard & Paper
Clean papers, magazines/catalogs, greeting cards, gift wrap & gift tissue paper (no foils or metallics), calendars, paperbacks & phonebooks, paperboard, clean pizza boxes (Paper clips, staples and metal spirals are ok)

GRAY SHADED DAY

Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Tubs, Lids, & Containers
Empty kitchen, laundry, & bath containers

Cartons
Milk & Juice

Glass Bottles & Jars
Empty food & beverage bottles & jars

Aluminum & Steel Cans
Foil & empty food & beverage cans

NOT ACCEPTED

Plastic bags or trays, black plastic, bagged recyclables, clothing/textiles, food waste/liquids, tanglers such as rope or hoses, scrap metal, batteries of any kind, electronics, wood, medical waste, hazardous materials, explosives, toys, hangers, shoes, waxy cups or plates, frozen food packaging, food bags or wrappers, plastic wrap or film, shrink wrap, tarps, diapers, human/pet or yard waste, tires or rubber, Styrofoam™, napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers, coffee pods, ceramics

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