



Maryland  
Department of  
the Environment

## Carroll County Recycling

What You Need to Know

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### Waste Diversion Rate

For calendar year 2017, 47.4 % recycling rate + 5 % source reduction credit = 52.40% waste diversion rate.

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### Residential Program

#### *Curbside*

- ▶ Countywide, single stream, curbside collection is by subscription. The County's program requires that licensed waste haulers provide recycling services to all of their customers. Recycling is voluntary.

#### *Drop-off*

- ▶ The Recycling Center, staffed by ARC of Maryland, Inc., is located at the Northern Landfill on Route 140 in Westminster. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ Acceptable recyclable items at the above locations are the same as curbside plus electronics, automobile batteries, used oil and antifreeze, scrap metal, white goods, textiles, vinyl siding, and kitchen oil and #6 expanded polystyrene (EPS) foam. There is also a Loading Dock Trailer for reusable building materials. The Recycling Center offers aluminum can reimbursement Mon – Fri from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sat from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

#### *Processing/Marketing*

- ▶ The County has contracted with Recycle America Alliance to process and market single stream recyclables collected at curbside and the Recycling Center Drop-off. The County markets the aluminum cans, car batteries, white goods, vinyl siding, and kitchen oil collected at the Recycling Center.

#### *Municipalities*

- ▶ Seven of the eight incorporated towns provide curbside recycling service through a contracted hauler. Sykesville provides trash and recycling services for the residents within their municipality.

## Yard Trimmings

- ▶ Taneytown, Westminster, Hampstead, Sykesville and Union Bridge offer curbside yard debris service. Collected yard debris is taken to the Northern Landfill for processing.
- ▶ New Windsor – yard trim is collected curbside twice a month (Spring and Fall).
- ▶ Mt. Airy – yard trim service is limited to leaves and Christmas tree collection.
- ▶ Manchester has scheduled yard waste and tree limb collection. See municipal calendar.
- ▶ County residents who do not have a yard debris service may take their waste to the County landfills at no charge. All yard debris collected is transferred to Harvest Power for processing into mulch.

## Other Materials

- ▶ Waste oil and antifreeze is accepted at the following sites:
  - Hoodsmill Landfill, 7901 Kabik Ct., Sykesville
  - Northern Landfill, Route 140
  - Hampstead Town Maintenance Garage, 4031 Gill Avenue
  - Manchester Town Garage, 3351 Victory Street
  - Sykesville Public Works Garage, 7547 Main Street
  - Taneytown, Park Drive – **No antifreeze**
  - Westminster Public Works Facility, 105 Railroad Avenue – **No antifreeze**
- ▶ Christmas trees, white goods, and car batteries are accepted at both landfills.
- ▶ The Northern Landfill has a Loading Dock Donation area intended for items that can be reused such as building materials, tools, furniture, and appliances. The Loading Dock provides low cost affordable building materials for housing and community improvement. The site is available during landfill hours Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

## Household Hazardous Waste

- ▶ The County offers household hazardous waste events twice a year.
- ▶ The County Health Department has a permanent drop off for mercury thermometers. Call 410-857-5009 for details.

## Public Buildings

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- ▶ Single stream recycling is collected from all county and school facilities.

## Disposal/Budget

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- ▶ Tipping fee is \$64/ton at the Northern Landfill and \$68/ton at the Hoods Mill Drop off area as of March 1, 2016. Hoods Mill is open the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month.

## Financing

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- ▶ Program is financed through the tipping fees and revenues from sale of recyclables.

## Ordinances

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- ▶ Licensed haulers are required to offer recycling to their customers.

## Procurement

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- ▶ The County has a waste reduction, recycling, and a buy recycled policy.