

Borough of Swedesboro

COUNTY OF GLOUCESTER

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Borough of Swedesboro
1500 Kings Highway
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Swedesboro, NJ 08085
856-467-0202

Dear Swedesboro Resident,

Two years ago, we implemented the successful RecycleBank Rewards program in an effort to increase recycling rates, divert trash from the incinerator and landfill and save the Borough money on disposal costs. You responded to the RecycleBank Rewards program with enthusiasm and the recycling rates have increased with a direct effect on decreasing the disposal tipping fees. The Borough is committed to continuing the RecycleBank program as a way to save money and offer you the most beneficial recycling program available.

The Borough has entered into a service agreement with Logan Township for the collection of our trash, vegetative waste and recyclables. Entering into the agreement will result in reduced collection costs, provide a trash container for your use, increased services by adding vegetative yard waste collection and a significant reduction in disposal tonnage and cost. The new collection system is a one man operation using an automated collection device that lifts and dumps your can from the curb into the refuse vehicle. In using this cost saving system the RecycleBank Rewards program will have a slight adjustment as to how your credits are calculated without sacrificing the valuable rewards points that you earn. Beginning January, 1 2011, when your individual recycling is collected, RecycleBank will record your recycling participation and credit your account with reward points based on the weight recycled in your entire community. These points will be distributed within 7-10 business days from your recycling collection day. This means only those who recycled that day will receive points for recycling. We encourage you to tell your neighbors to make sure that they are recycling as much as possible. This change will also bring additional benefits to the residents as many will earn more points than ever before. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please feel free to contact the borough at 856-467-0202 or RecycleBank directly at 888-727-2978.

Sincerely,

Mayor and Borough Council

Have you activated your RecycleBank account and enjoyed the savings of the Recyclebank Rewards Program? Activate today at www.recyclebank.com or call 888-727-2978.

DEAR RESIDENT;

EFFECTIVE 1/01/11, THE BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO WILL BE ENTERING INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH LOGAN TOWNSHIP. AS AN ADDED FEATURE TO TRASH COLLECTION LOGAN TWP. WILL ALSO PICK UP YARD WASTE AND LEAVES.

YARD WASTE AND LEAVES MAY BE DISPOSED OF IN A REGULAR TRASH CONTAINER NOT WEIGHING MORE THAN 50 POUNDS OR IN LARGE PAPER LEAF BAGS/BIODEGRADABLE DISPOSABLE BAGS.

DURING THE MONTHS OF DECEMBER, JANUARY AND FEBRUARY STARTING IN 2011 THIS SERVICE WILL BE PROVIDED THE FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH. FOR THE REMAINING MONTHS THIS SERVICE WILL BE EVERY THURSDAY.

AS A RESULT OF THIS NEW SERVICE, THE BOROUGH LEAF TRUCK WILL NO LONGER BE UTILIZED IN THE SPRING AND FALL.

SWEDESBORO PUBLIC WORKS

SWEDESBORO 2011 HOLIDAY, TRASH, RECYCLING, BULK & YARD WASTE SCHEDULE

2011 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE CHANGES

NOV 24 - THANKSGIVING DAY, TRASH WILL BE COLLECTED 11/25

HOLIDAYS NOT AFFECTED ARE IN RED

TRASH, RECYCLING & YARD WASTE WILL BE PICKED UP EVERY THURSDAY

BULK ITEMS WILL BE PICKED UP ON THE 1ST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH

TO HAVE YOUR BULK ITEMS PICKED UP, YOU MUST CALL 467-0202 TO BE PUT ON THE LIST

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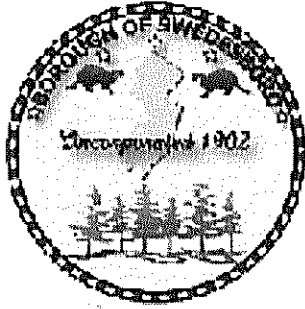
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YARD WASTE 1st THURSDAY ONLY						



BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO

December 1, 2010

Dear Borough of Swedesboro Resident,

Swedesboro has entered into a shared service agreement with the Township of Logan for the purpose of collecting our trash, recycling and yard waste. This is a five (5) year agreement that will commence on January 1, 2011. This program is significantly more cost effective and will provide a cleaner, more attractive community.

This transition will mean some changes in the collection routine such as when and how your waste will be picked up. This brochure details those changes. It is important that you read thoroughly the material provided.

If you have any questions, please call the Swedesboro Office at 467-0202

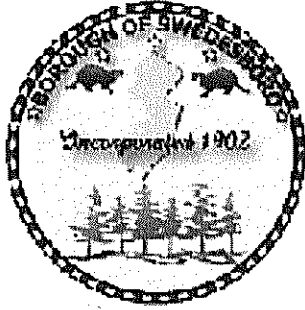
Thomas Fromm
Mayor

George Weeks
Council President

These Collection Carts must be used for trash beginning the
week of January 1, 2011

Do not use your carts before 1/1/11

Please read the enclosed information carefully for new guidelines regarding the new collection service. Not following the directions will mean your carts will not get emptied and you will have to wait a week to have them emptied. During the first few weeks we **WILL** empty your carts even though they were not placed properly for collection. You will be issued a "warning" that will state what was wrong. The warning will say at the top "SWEDESBORO WARNING" then explain what was wrong.



BOROUGH OF SWEDESBORO

ABOUT THE NEW COLLECTION SYSTEM

The Cart

The Borough purchased and will distribute the new carts which are specially constructed to be used in an automated or semi-automated collection system. The cart is designed for ease of handling, durability and has a lid which keeps odors in and moisture out. It is the only container which can be used with the new system.

The cart is being provided by the Borough and has a serial number that corresponds to your address. The cart is the property of the Borough. If a resident sells their property, the cart will remain at the address originally assigned to the container. **DO NOT REMOVE FROM RESIDENCE.**

Residents will receive a 95 gallon cart. The capacity of the 95 gallon cart is more than three times greater than the standard residential can. The 95 gallon cart will accommodate up to 300 pounds of waste. A cart filled with standard household waste will not exceed these limits.

**ALL ITEMS MUST BE PLACED INSIDE PROPER CARTS.
NO ITEMS OUTSIDE CARTS WILL BE COLLECTED.**

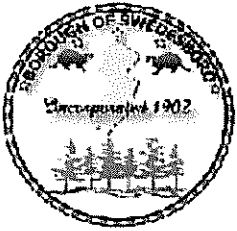
Starting the week of January 2, 2011, trash, single stream recycling & yard waste will be picked up on THURSDAYS.

Trash

Please place **regular household waste** in the **BROWN** cart. Please ensure that all regular household waste is properly bagged and inside the trash cart.

Recycling

The Borough will still be using the *Single Stream* method and use your existing **BLUE** 65 gallon cart. Please ensure that cardboard is cut down to fit easily inside the cart. Cardboard that is stuck inside the cart will stay there and not come out. It is your responsibility to see that materials are not "wedged" in the cart.



BOROUGH of SWEDESBORO

Department of Public Works

467-0202

NEW GUIDELINES FOR COLLECTING HOUSEHOLD SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING

Automated Garbage Collection

Starting January 1, 2011, household solid waste and recycling collection will be done through an Automated Trash Collection System in Swedesboro. Just as the name indicates, automated garbage collection involves the use of a truck with an automated, mechanical arm to lift a specially designed cart from the curbside, dump its contents into the truck and return the cart to the curbside. This system requires only 1 person to operate, as the driver controls everything from the cab of the truck. The automated collection system is safer, more efficient and requires less labor to collect solid waste. One truck will pick up solid waste and another recycling.



Regular garbage cans cannot be used with this type of trash collection. Each residential unit will be issued a **95** gallon **BROWN** container for solid waste. This is the only container that may be used for your regular household waste. The 95 gallon container is designed to accommodate a 6 member household's garbage that is recycled properly. Your existing 65 gallon container will still be utilized for "single stream" recycling



accommodate a household's recycling properly. gallon **BLUE** utilized for "single stream" recycling

The collection cart is the property of the Borough of Swedesboro and must be maintained by each homeowner as if the container was their own. Should you move from your current location, the cart must remain at the address it was issued to for the new resident to use. If the automated collection container is damaged in any way, other than by the automated trash/recycling truck, it will be the homeowners' responsibility to purchase a replacement container from the Borough of Swedesboro. Each cart will have a serial number stamped on it, and that number will coincide with the address for which it was dropped off. You will always be able to tell if the carts you have are the ones issued to your residence.

The automated collection cart must have a four feet clearance around it, in order to be properly emptied. Please ensure the container is set away from all utility poles, vehicles, basketball nets, recyclables, "odd stops", etc.

Cart Maintenance & Upkeep/ Use Of The Cart

Before moving the cart, grasp the handle and tilt the cart towards you. Push or pull the cart to roll it. On slopes, inclines or steps, handle the cart with care. All garbage placed in the container must be bagged. Periodically, residents may want to wash the cart out with soap and water to cut down on any odors or insects. Sprinkling ammonia in the cart will also service to reduce odors and pests.

What To & Not To Dispose Of In The Collection Cart

Your cart is for the disposal of regular household garbage only. Household waste is basically what is generated out of your kitchen and bath on a normal weekly basis.

The following items should not be placed in the collection cart: recyclables, hot ashes, motor oil, solvents, paints, pool chemicals, hazardous materials, flammable liquids, concrete, dirt sod, leaves, yard debris, wood, carpet, furniture, etc.



Bulky Items

Bulky items will be picked up on the first (1st) Friday of every month. Bulky items include doors, furniture, box springs & mattresses, carpeting, etc. Carpeting must be cut in lengths not to exceed four (4) feet and bundled with string or twine. The weight of each bundle should not exceed 50 pounds in weight. You **MUST** call and have your name & address put on the "**BULK PICK UP LIST**" in order to have them picked up. Please call 467-0202 and leave your name, address, phone number and a brief description of the items you want picked up.

Construction/Remodeling/ Demolition Debris

The Borough of Swedesboro will accept **NO** construction or remodeling debris such as: plywood, sheet rock, insulation, flooring, shingles, siding, fixtures e.g. toilets, sinks, cabinets, fencing, etc.

Yard Waste: Grass, Brush, Bushes Branches, Leaves & Unpainted Wood

TRASH CANNOT BE MIXED WITH YARD WASTE

Grass clippings and leaves can be put in regular trash cans and or large paper bags.

DO NOT USE PLASTIC BAGS

Brush, bushes, branches and unpainted wood must be cut and tied in bundles no more than four (4) feet long and not weighing more than fifty (50) pounds.

NO PAINTED, STAINED, LAMINATED OR PRESSURE TREATED WOOD WILL BE ACCEPTED

We do not accept any branches/brush logs, tree trunks or stumps larger than 12" in diameter.



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Electronics - E-Waste: Televisions, Computers & their components, Monitors, Copiers, Scanners, Stereos, Boom Boxes, DVD Players, VCR Players, Fax Machines, Typewriters, Phone Systems

Call **467-0202** to arrange pickup

METAL AND E-WASTE RECYCLING COLLECTION

The Public Works Department will collect metal and e-waste items every 1st and 3rd Friday of each month. Participants are to call the Borough Hall at 467-0202 between 8:30am and 3:30pm to be placed on the collection list prior to the scheduled collection date. If leaving a message please leave name, phone number, address and item or items that you will be placing at the curb.

Metal and E-Waste items may not be placed at curbside prior to 5:00pm on Thursday before the scheduled collection date, and no later than 6:00am the day of collection. It is recommended to place your items out the night before the collection.

Metal Items Accepted:

Appliances, metal desk and doors (remove glass), metal /aluminum siding, metal chairs, bikes, lawn mowers (fluids emptied), garden equipment, car parts, pots and pans, grills (no propane tanks), metal exercise equipment, metal window frames (no glass), water heaters and the like. Large appliance doors need to be removed or secured for safety.

E-Waste Items Accepted:

Computers and their components, monitors and flat screens, keyboards and speakers, printers fax and copy machines, hard drives, mother boards, scanners, phones, stereo's, VCR's, DVD's, CD players, boom boxes, audio and visual equipment, televisions, pagers, radios and the likes.

TIRE AMNESTY PROGRAM

The Gloucester County Improvement Authority normally sponsors a special tire drop off each year during the month of March. Auto and pick-up tires may be dropped off at the GCIA solid Waste Complex located at Monroeville Road (Rt. 694), South Harrison Township. Participation is limited to Gloucester County Residents and Farmers ONLY. No businesses. Large truck or heavy equipment tires are not accepted. Tires may be on or off the rims. LIMIT of 25 tires per participant.

For more information or have more than 25 tires please contact the GCIA/Office of Recycling @ 856-478-6045, ext.14

GLOUCESTER COUNTY HOUSEHOLD SPECIAL WASTE COLLECTION

Each year the GCIA provides eight (8) Saturdays throughout the year for County residents to dispose of special waste items. From 8am to 2pm you may take your special waste to the designated locations for easy disposal.

Items accepted at the GCIA Household Special Waste are: Oil base paint, (no latex paints), stains, motor oil, antifreeze, fluorescent tubes and ballasts, lead acid & ni-cad batteries, solvents, pesticides, cleaners, kerosene, herbicides, gasoline, turpentine, varnish, fertilizers, rat poison, auto and floor care products, weed killers, lighter fluid, propane tanks, photographic & pool chemicals, and the like. Large quantities require prior approval from the GCIA. No asbestos products will be accepted.

Latex paint is a water base paint and is **not hazardous waste** and needs to be disposed of with your regular house hold trash in the following manner.

1. Make sure the can is half full or less. If not get a second containers (like a empty milk jug or detergent container)
2. Add a clay base kitty litter or speedy dry so that the can is $\frac{3}{4}$ full.
3. Stir paint kitty litter/speedy dry mixture.
4. If liquid paint remains, add more dry mixture.
5. Allow paint and agent mixture to dry until it is no longer pourable.
6. Dispose of can in garbage with lid off.

USED MOTOR OIL

Used motor oil may be taken to the GCIA Household Special Waste Day events or it is accepted at the following Gloucester County stores; K-mart, Jiffy Lube, Pep Boys, Auto Zone and most auto part stores. (Contact the store prior to delivery for hours of acceptance and disposal requirements.)

BATTERIES

Since the New Jersey Dry Cell Battery Management Act was adopted in 1991 and the Federal Mercury-Containing and Rechargeable Battery Management Act was adopted in 1996, household battery manufactures have begun manufacturing alkaline batteries with no added mercury and have reduced the amount of mercury added to the batteries. **Alkaline batteries now fall below the Federal and State hazardous waste standards and can be disposed of in the regular trash.**

What type of Batteries should I recycle?

Recycle all Rechargeable batteries like,
Nickel Cadmium (Ni-Cd)
Nickel Metal Hydride (Ni-MH)
Lithium ion (li-ion)
Nickel Zinc (Ni-Zn)
Small sealed lead-less than 11 lbs (pb)

Rechargeable batteries can be found in cordless power tools, cellular and cord less phones, laptop computers, digital cameras, and remote control toys. Rechargeable batteries sometimes look like alkaline batteries. The label on the battery will indicate if it is rechargeable. If it says alkaline dispose of it in the regular trash.

Where can I bring my rechargeable batteries for recycling?

Rechargeable batteries can be recycled at participating retail locations including: Radio Shack, Best Buy, Staples, Target, Office Max, Lowes, Home Depot, Sears, Wal-Mart and Verizon Wireless. To find a retail collection site near you use the collection site locator at www.call2recycle.org or call the consumer helpline at 1-877-2-RECYCLE.

Batteries must be properly prepared for drop off. New Federal regulations have been enacted to prevent short circuiting of batteries during transport. Residents must individually bag each battery or tape each of the terminals ends prior to recycling.

Button Cell Batteries: Most button cell batteries still contain mercury. These batteries can be brought to your County Household Hazardous Waste events.

COMPACT FLUORESCENT BULBS

Compact fluorescent bulbs (cfl's) may be recycled at any Home Depot store. The program will accept any maker's bulb. Call your Home Depot store for further information.