

# Easttown Township



## Solid Waste and Recycling Program Rules and Guidelines

### GENERAL

- Trash, recyclables, bulk items, and yard waste must be placed curbside by 6:00 AM on your scheduled date of collection.
  - Items may be placed for pickup no earlier than 6:00 PM the night prior to collection.
  - Empty containers must be removed before 8:00 PM the day of collection.
- The Township's [Trash and Recycle](#) web page contains a calendar that specifies collection during holidays and the frequency and schedule of collection.
  - Once per week for solid waste and recycling collection.
  - Once per month for yard waste collection from January through September and a twice per month for yard waste collection from October through December.
  - Annual collection for Christmas trees in January.
  - Once per week collection for bulk items (one per resident).
- Material considered as household hazardous waste or as hazardous waste under government regulations for municipal solid waste shall not be placed for collection.
  - Please contact [Chester County Solid Waste Authority](#) for more information regarding household hazardous waste at 610-273-3771.
- If you have a problem with trash or recycling collection, please call the Township at 610-687-3000, and Staff will address any issues directly with our current hauler, Republic Services.

### TRASH

- Material may be placed in any bag, container, or can suitable for municipal collection of residential waste (residents supply their own bags, containers, or cans).
- Each residence is permitted eight (8) receptacles per collection day (*containers must be 64-gallons or less*).
- Material to be collected shall consist of municipal solid waste as defined by State Act 101 and the Chester County Solid Waste Authority.

### Special Requirements

1. Non-oil-based paints must be dried with saw dust, cat litter, or other suitable material and the lids must be removed (*unattached to the can*).
2. Medical supplies such as needles must be secured in an appropriate container before disposing.

### Prohibitions

1. Medications (*see our [Medication Disposal](#) page on our website for disposal details*)
2. Oil-based paint and containers.
3. Construction waste.

## RECYCLABLES

- Material shall be placed in the recycle can provided by the Township's hauler.
- Material may be comingled.
- The Township designated recyclables are:
  - Corrugated Paper
  - Mixed Paper
  - Clear & Colored Glass Containers
  - Aluminum Containers, Steel Containers & Bimetal Containers
  - Plastic containers marked # 1 through # 7

### Special Requirements

1. Combine all papers, flatten or cut boxes to fit the recycling bin.
2. Larger corrugated or cardboard boxes must be cut and flattened into 2'x2' pieces.

### Prohibitions

- Bubble wrap, packing peanuts, Styrofoam, etc.
- Plastic bags
- Electronics
- Light bulbs

## BULK PICK-UP

- Bulk items include, but are not limited to, hot water heaters, sofas, rugs, mattresses, and furniture having an individual weight of no more than 250 pounds. *A more complete list can be found on our [Bulk Pick-up](#) page on our website.*
- One bulk item per weekly collection is allowed.
  - As a general rule; if you purchased your item as one item, it may be disposed of as one item. *For example, a set of bedding is a box spring and mattress; these can be disposed of as one item. A living room set (sofa, chair and loveseat) is considered 3 items and must be disposed of as 3 items.*
- To schedule an additional pickup or to get more information about acceptable bulk items, please call the Republic Services Bulk Pickup Line at 303-286-5400.

### Special Requirements

1. Carpets and pads must be cut and rolled into three-foot wide rolls not to exceed 25 pounds per roll. Ten rolls of carpet and/or pad will constitute a single bulk pick-up.
2. Garage doors must be broken down into 4-ft sections. Each section= one bulk item
3. Lawn Mowers cannot be retrieved with oil or gas inside. All fluids must be drained.
4. Mirrors and glass objects shall be taped or otherwise secured and small enough to not pose a risk to the hauler.
5. Appliances that contain coolant must have the coolant removed in accordance with EPA regulations prior to pick up. *See the [Appliances Containing Coolant](#) page on our website.*

### Prohibitions

1. Tires and rims
2. Items still containing refrigerants (air conditioners, dehumidifiers, freezers, refrigerators.).
3. Electronic Waste (TVs, computers, monitors)
4. Oil based paint, paint thinners, anti-freeze, items containing fuel or motor oil, gas cylinders, etc.

## **YARD WASTE**

- Yard waste must be placed into manageable bundles and tied with string, or may be put in an open-end trash can, as long as limbs are not protruding above the can. Limbs that are loose on the ground will not be picked up.
- Leaves/yard waste must be in biodegradable paper bags or open-end trash cans. Leaves/yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected.
- Limbs and branches must not exceed 6 feet in length and 4 inches in diameter.

### **Special Requirements**

1. Limit material to 300 lbs per residence per collection.
2. Branches and limbs shall not exceed six feet in length and four inches in diameter.
3. Branches and limbs may not protrude above the top of the container.

### **Prohibitions**

1. Grass clippings (grass clippings may be disposed as trash).
2. Loose limbs.
3. Non-biodegradable bags

## **REAR-YARD SERVICE**

- Residents are welcome to elect rear-yard service for their property at any time. In order to discuss rates or request a change in service, please contact the [township billing department](#) at 610-687-3000 x115.
- Properties with gated entrances must ensure access to the retrieval location on scheduled collection days.
- For safety, pets and other animals should remain inside, tethered, or in an appropriate enclosure during collection.
- Bulk pickup items and yard waste must be placed curbside for collection.