

**Recycling Center Guidelines**  
**For more information call 413-477-0941**

<b>MATERIAL</b>	<b>WHAT TO RECYCLE</b>	<b>HOW TO PREPARE</b>	<b>UNACCEPTABLE</b>
<b>MIXED PAPER &amp; CARDBOARD</b>	Newsprint, Magazines, catalogs, Supplements, junk mail, telephone books, cereal boxes, etc.) Corrugated cardboard Paper grocery bags	Paper must be dry. Place loose in appropriate roll-off container. Flatten boxes. Remove packing material.	No plastic bags. No soiled paper. No cereal box liners. No soiled pizza boxes (cut off the tops if they are not soiled)
<b>CO-MINGLED CONTAINERS</b>	All plastics #1-7. Metal and aluminum food cans and trays. Empty latex paint / aerosol cans. Juice, milk containers, styrofoam coffee cups and meat trays.	Rinse clean. Labels may be left on. Place loose in appropriate container.	No glass. No plastic bags, no plastic wrappings, no six-pack rings. No oil containers, not even dry.
<b>GLASS</b>	Jars, bottles (rinse and remove tops). Remove corks from wine bottles.	Rinse clean. Labels may be left on. Place loose in appropriate container.	Window glass, dishes, glasses, pyrex, ceramics, light bulbs. Jar candles must be free of wax.
<b>AUTOMOTIVE</b>	Waste motor oil - N/C Car batteries - N/C Car tires - \$2 Tractor tires - \$17.50 Oil Filters - \$1	Waste oil in quart or gallon containers tightly capped. Bring to lower garage.	No mixing anti-freeze, gas, water or other material with motor oil. No anti-freeze and no anti-freeze containers.
<b>HAZARDOUS MATERIALS</b> (See page 2 for applicable fees)	Rechargeable, NiCd, Nickel Metal Hydride, Lithium, Button Cell batteries Fluorescent bulbs / ballasts Electronics - \$10 TV's & Microwaves - \$10+ AC's - \$10+ Mercury Thermometers - N/C	Place batteries in small zip-lock bags	Alkaline batteries can be put in with household trash as they contain minimal hazardous material. Since 1977 are 97% hazard-free.
<b>OTHER ITEMS</b>	Eyeglasses, Styrofoam packing peanuts, bubble wrap, Clothing & textiles. Deposit containers** Printer cartridges** Cell phones	Packing peanuts in tied plastic bags. Clothing & textiles must be dry and in tied plastic bags / deposit in yellow bins	Funds from deposit containers and printer cartridges are donated to Hardwick Elementary School for the Nature's Classroom Program. Funds are also donated to in-town non-profit groups.
<b>TAKE IT OR LEAVE IT - SWAP SHED</b>	Most any clean, usable items, i.e., books, tools, construction material, games, good clean clothing, household items, etc.	See attendant before leaving any items. Requires staff approval.	Nothing broken. Must be in working condition. No mattresses or upholstered furniture. No car seats, no suit cases, no skis, no large bulk plastic toys/items.

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**ONLY PEOPLE WITH ANNUAL STICKERS ARE ALLOWED TO USE THE RECYCLING CENTER AND SWAP SHED.**

**FEES APPLY FOR SOME HARD-TO-MANAGE MATERIALS.**

**All items listed above are banned from disposing in Massachusetts landfills by Law. Please use the Recycling Center for all these items. STOP BY... WE'LL BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU GET STARTED.**

**LOCATION:**

2011 Barre Road, Rt. 32, Wheelwright, MA 01094

**HOURS:**

Saturdays, 8 am - Noon

Wednesdays, 9 am - 11 am

**FEES: \$25 annually for Hardwick residents; \$80 annually for non-Hardwick residents. Stickers Required.**

**Do not leave any items when we are closed.**

**CHARGES FOR HARD-TO-MANAGE WASTE**

Automotive and light truck tires - \$2.00

Tractor trailer tires - \$17.50

Automotive Oil Filters - \$1

Automotive Batteries - N/C

Waste Oil – no charge (oil is used to heat the highway barn)

Refrigerators - \$20 (doors must be removed)

Stoves, Washers, Dryers - N/C

Air conditioners, Microwaves - \$10

Computers & TVs - \$10 (individual pricing for large console models)

Printers, Scanners - \$5

Fluorescent Bulbs/Ballasts – No Charge to residents \$1/bulb charged to businesses bringing in bulk

Scrap Metal - N/C - Must remove all or majority of bulk waste (i.e., plastic) before placing items in scrap container.

The above charges supplement costs the town incurs to legally dispose of these items. Fees are subject to change when these charges change.

**\*\* HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:** Collections are held in the spring and fall at the Regional Collection Site in North Brookfield. Dates will be posted at the center and in the newspaper. You must have a current Hardwick Recycling sticker on your car. Does not include water-based paints that can be mixed with kitty litter and place in trash. Fees per gallon apply.

**BULKY WASTE:** Bulky waste collections will be scheduled occasionally and will include collection of mattresses, box springs, upholstered furniture, large plastic items, large Styrofoam items, etc.

**SWAP SHED:** There has been too much broken, incomplete, dirty, unusable, unrecyclable material coming into the Swap Shed recently. It is trash and we have to pay for trash removal as you do. Check with an attendant before leaving any material, and under no circumstances, leave material outside the buildings when the center is closed.

What is unacceptable? Mattresses, box springs, upholstered furniture, sofas, broken or incomplete toys and games, moldy books, cracked or chipped dishes, etc.

Please use common sense in deciding what to bring to the Swap Shed. Pack it in small boxes or plastic bags so that pieces won't get separated or broken. A blender without a top is of no use to anyone! We are trying to offer a good service, but leaving junk that should go in the trash will only hurt the program. Thanks for cooperating.