



HARDWICK RECYCLING CENTER

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Hardwick Recycling Center Patrons:

As you are aware COVID-19 (Coronavirus) is a serious concern for all, as this outbreak has been recently declared a Global Pandemic; National State of Emergency and Massachusetts State of Emergency. All are required to implement strict preventative measures in an effort to lessen the contraction of COVID-19 to the extent possible.

Out of an abundance of caution, we are being proactive by temporarily putting the following preventative measures into place at the Hardwick Recycling Center:

- Swap Shed is closed to patrons and staff.
- No items will be accepted for the swap shed.
- No redemption bottles and cans will be accepted for donation. *However, you may place them in the comingle compactor (cans & plastics) and glass bottles may be placed in the recycling glass container at the compactor station.*
- Egg cartons will need to be recycled by placing them into the mixed-paper compactor.
- No thermometers will be accepted.

At this time patrons are able to use the following services:

- Scrap Metal
- Tires
- Electronics & Appliances
- Mercury and Lead containing items (fluorescent bulbs, lead batteries, thermostats)
- Mixed paper, co-mingle and glass recycling (compactor station)

Be assured that we are steadily monitoring the situation and will follow/implement all guidance/restrictions as they are released by Federal and State Government Agencies.

In addition, you can find helpful COVID-19 information and links on the Town's website www.townofhardwick.com.

Safety of our staff and patrons are our top priority. We thank you for your understanding as we all navigate this situation.

Sincerely,

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Recycling Center Coordinator