

**REGULATIONS PROMULGATED  
by the  
PORT WASHINGTON GARBAGE DISTRICT**

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## **DEFINITIONS:**

1. "District" is intended to mean Port Washington Garbage District which encompasses the areas of the Villages of Baxter Estates and Port Washington North and the unincorporated areas of the Town of North Hempstead bounded by Sands Point on the North, Manorhaven on the west and Flower Hill and Plandome on the south.
2. "Garbage" is putrescible animal and vegetable wastes resulting from the preparation of food and other readily combustible materials.
3. "Rubbish" is crockery, rags, old clothes, and like materials.
4. "Refuse" is Garbage and/or Rubbish
5. "Recyclables" include such materials as newspaper, glass bottles, metal cans, plastic containers, cardboard, office paper, yard waste, etc.
6. "Commissioners" are the duly elected commissioners of the Port Washington Garbage District.
7. "Contractor" is the company designated by the Commissioners of the District to collect and remove refuse from the District
8. "Acceptable waste" shall include garbage and rubbish as herein defined and is further defined within the Sanitary Code of the Town of North Hempstead.

## **REFUSE COLLECTIONS**

### **RESIDENTIAL**

Collection days are on an alternate day basis: Monday, Wednesday and Friday or Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, except for the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day or any day which is declared a legal holiday by the Town of North Hempstead. When the collection day falls on a holiday, the refuse will be collected on the next regular collection day.

The quantity of refuse to be collected from each house shall not exceed the equivalent of three 30-gallon cans of garbage and four 30-gallon cans of rubbish and when not weighing over 50 pounds each. Heavy duty plastic bags of equal size and properly tied will be acceptable for rubbish only.

Each of the receptacles shall be water tight, kept covered and cleaned occasionally so as to be maintained in a sanitary condition. The use of barrels, drums, kegs, cardboard containers or cloth bags for containing garbage or rubbish is prohibited.

Any waste material other than garbage, which cannot be readily deposited in a receptacle, may be compacted and tied in bundles not to exceed 3 feet in length and 23 inches in diameter and shall not exceed 50 pounds in weight.

Refuse containers shall be placed for collection in a visible and accessible area between the curb and sidewalk line not before 5:00 PM of the night preceding the day of collection.

Collection shall commence at 7:00 AM and be completed no later than 6:30 PM on scheduled days.

Empty receptacles shall be removed from the curb areas within 12 hours after collection.

Christmas trees shall be placed at the curb and will be collected at regular collections between January 1 and January 15.

Up to two (2) bulk waste items such as furniture, refrigerators, etc. will be collected from the curb area on the last collection day of the week.

It shall be the duty of any person occupying or having control of a building to provide sufficient receptacles to hold refuse.

Any accumulation of refuse in excess of ordinary household refuse and any waste building material shall be removed at owner's or occupant's expense. Where abnormal amounts are placed at the curb for collection, the contractor has reserved the right to refuse the materials, to defer the collection, to collect the materials in part.

The actual producers or owners of the premises upon which refuse is accumulated may personally collect, convey and dispose of such refuse provided such producers or owners shall comply with present Town ordinances and these regulations. This right does not relieve the producers or owners from paying their Port Washington Garbage District taxes.

### **COMMERCIAL:**

Commercial establishments located on Port Washington Boulevard, Main Street, Harbor Rd., Shore Road and any other street so designated by the District shall have daily collection each week Tuesday through Saturday inclusive. In other areas, collection days are on an alternate day basis: Monday, Wednesday and Friday or Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Collection will not occur on the following holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King Day, Presidents' Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Columbus Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving, Christmas Day or any day which is declared a legal holiday by the Town of North Hempstead. When the collection day falls on a holiday, the refuse will be collected on the next regular collection day.

Each of the receptacles shall be water tight, kept covered and cleaned occasionally so as to be maintained in a sanitary condition. The use of barrels, drums, kegs, cardboard containers or cloth bags for containing garbage or rubbish is prohibited. The Town's Litter Laws are enforced by the Police District.

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The actual producers or owners of the premises upon which refuse is accumulated may personally collect, convey and dispose of such refuse provided such producers or owners shall comply with present Town ordinances and these regulations. This right does not relieve the producers or owners from paying their Port Washington Garbage District taxes.

The maximum amount of garbage and rubbish which will be collected on each scheduled collection day will be based on the size of the building as follows:

**Commercial:**

1. For small business establishments, i.e. real estate offices, barber shops, stationery stores, beauty parlors, and similar businesses, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than two (2) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.
2. For stores such as delicatessens, bars and grills, small grocery stores, restaurants (with a seating capacity under fifty (50) persons), ice cream parlors, and other similar establishments, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than four (4) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items
3. For stores such as super markets, catering establishments and restaurants with a seating capacity of over fifty (50) persons and similar businesses, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than six (6) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.

Note: All items should be placed in suitable containers of not more than fifty (50) pounds including container - all loose items should be bundled and tied.

**Industrial:**

1. For Industrial Plants containing 5,000 square feet of floor space or less, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than three (3) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.
2. For Industrial Plants having between 5,000 and 10,000 square feet of floor space, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than six (6) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.
3. For Industrial Plants having between 10,000 and 15,000 square feet of floor space, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than nine (9) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.

4. For Industrial Plants having between 15,000 and 20,000 square feet of floor space, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than twelve (12) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.
5. For Industrial Plants having in excess of 20,000 of floor space, the Contractor will collect designated recyclables and no more than fifteen (15) thirty (30) gallon cans or equivalent of acceptable waste except bulky items.

Note: All items should be placed in suitable containers of not more than fifty (50) pounds including container - all loose items should be bundled and tied.

## **RECYCLABLES COLLECTION (both Residential & Commercial)**

### **Newspaper/Paper/Cardboard:**

Newspapers, paper and cardboard shall be kept separate and shall be tied with rope/cord sufficient in strength to facilitate handling in bundles not exceeding 50 pounds or they shall be placed in paper bags in bundles not exceeding 50 pounds. Said bundles shall be placed separately at the curb for collection on the weekly recycling day determined by the District.

### **Glass Bottles/Metal Cans/Plastic Containers:**

Glass bottles/metal cans/plastic containers shall be kept separate and shall be placed in the properly marked recycling containers as prescribed by the District. Said containers shall be placed separately at the curb for collection on the weekly recycling day determined by the District.

### **Yard Waste:**

Yard Waste shall be kept separate and shall be placed in heavy duty bags not exceeding 50 lbs. Said bags shall be placed separately at the curb for collection on the weekly yard waste recycling day determined by the District.

## **EXCLUDED (both Residential & Commercial)**

The following items are excluded from all collections whether made at residential, commercial or industrial locations.

1. Roofing materials, plaster, bricks, broken asphalt, concrete, granite, marble, tile, other stone and stoneware, porcelain, mortar, terra cotta, lime gypsum, asbestos and scrap lumber resulting from the construction or renovation of premises by contractors.
2. All hazardous materials, including lead and oil-based paints, lead-acid batteries, pesticides, volatile materials, and other hazardous materials.

## **S.T.O.P. PROGRAM**

The Town of North Hempstead has instituted the S.T.O.P. Program as "An Environmental Preservation Effort to Collect Household Hazardous Waste in the Town of North Hempstead and Ensure its Proper Disposal." The Town will send flyers to every residence indicating the dates and places for the S.T.O.P.

Program each year. This flyer will also indicate what products make up these wastes. For more information call the North Hempstead Recycling Hotline: 7674600.

**Water-based paints and latex paints are NOT considered hazardous** and will **not** be accepted at a S.T.O.P. Collection Day. Latex and water-based paints should be dried by removing the lid for as long as necessary for the paint to dry thoroughly before being placed with your regular household garbage.