

WESTCHESTER RECYCLES



Westchester municipalities Recycle Right by reducing waste, minimizing contamination, and separating recyclables for clean and efficient processing.

RECYCLE COACH

Westchester County residents can access accurate recycling and disposal information using the Recycle Coach mobile app. This app can be used to:

- o Determining Recyclability
- o Track local pickup schedules
- o Determine disposal information
- o Learn about upcoming events

CURBSIDE PAPER



Envelopes / Paper Bags / Folders / Boxes / Newspaper / Office & Construction Paper

CURBSIDE COMINGLED



Plastic / Rigid Plastic / Glass / Metal / Bottles / Lids / Cans / Jars / Aseptic Containers (Cartons)

WASTE TO ENERGY



Household Trash / Soiled Papers / Plastic Utensils / Straws / Coated Paper / Products / Disposable Gloves / Disposable Masks / Diapers / Bagged Pet Waste / Intact Smoke Detectors / Alkaline Batteries

Non-Curbside Recycling

FOOD SCRAP ROGRAMS



Grains / Pasta / Dairy / Fruit / Vegetables / Stems / Peels / Meat / Bones / Egg Shells / Coffee Grounds & Filters / Tea Bags / Napkins / Food-Soiled Paper / BPI Certified Compostable Bags / Paper Bags

SPECIALIZED RECYCLING



Household & Pool Chemicals / Flammable Liquids / Auto Fluids (except oil) / Pesticides / Insecticides / Herbicides / Wood Stains / Polishes / Fire Extinguishers / Propane Tanks / Mercury Devices / E-Waste / Freon-Containing Appliances / Car Tires / Vehicle & Rechargeable Batteries / Fluorescent and CFL Bulbs / Scrap Metals / Documents for Shredding / Damaged, Defective, Recalled (DDR) Lithium Ion batteries

YARD WASTE



Grass Clippings / Leaves / Brush

TEXTILES



Footwear / Clothing / Hats / Linens / Belts / Gloves

Questions? Call the Recycling HelpLine at 914-813-5425

CURBSIDE PAPER

- Keep items dry— store inside or in a covered recycling bin.
- Remove tape from boxes and windows from envelopes.
- Flatten boxes.
- Papers coated in plastic are not recyclable— if you can't tear it, you can't recycle it!

CURBSIDE COMINGLED

- Do not place items in plastic bags—Leave Them Loose!
- Leave on caps and lids.
- Include plastics numbered 1-7, Cartons, Glass, and Metal.
- Clean aluminum foil can be made into a ball and recycled.
- Rinse out all items.

WASTE TO ENERGY

- Non-Recyclable waste is processed at the Waste-to-Energy (WTE) Facility.
- Enough electricity is produced to power the WTE facility and more than 30,400 homes and businesses.
- Steam is also produced and used by a local commercial laundry company.
- Metals are removed and recycled.

Non-Curbside Recycling

FOOD SCRAP ROGRAMS

- Food waste constitutes 21% of residential solid waste.
- Plan meals and donate edible excess food to reduce waste.
- Compost at home, if possible. Visit CompostED to learn how.
- Participate in the Residential Food Scrap Collection Program to recycle spoiled, raw, cooked, and unusable foods— contact your local municipality to see if your municipality participates and learn more.

SPECIALIZED RECYCLING

- The Household Hazardous Material Recycling Facility (H-MRF) in Valhalla processes items by appointment—call the Recycling HelpLine or visit Environment.WestchesterCountyNY.gov to schedule.
- Medications- Bring to a Local Police Department Drop Box or by appointment at the H-MRF on the first Tuesday of each month.
- Paint – Bring to the H-MRF by appointment, or another drop-off site participating in the PaintCare Program by visiting PaintCare.org.
- Special wastes not accepted at the H-MRF may still be recyclable:
 - Sharps- Return to a medical or nursing facility or place in an empty, unmarked laundry detergent bottle, and secure the lid with heavy duty tape.
 - Plastic Grocery, Produce, and Bread Bags - Recycle at a grocery store drop box.
 - Motor Oil- Return to a service station

YARD WASTE

- Mow the dry leaves into the grass. Finely shredded leaves will fall between the grass blades and break down.
- Mix shredded leaves into garden soil, or use leaves as an insulating layer around plants for the winter.
- Have a wooded area? Rake your leaves into a layer in the woods. Wildlife will thank you and nature will recycle them.
- Participate in DEF's Yard Waste Program by taking organics to the nearest Yard Waste host site — call the Recycling HelpLine to locate the nearest site.

TEXTILES

- Contact your local municipality to find out if your municipality participates in our free curbside recycling program.
- The H-MRF accepts textiles by appointment – call the Recycling HelpLine or visit Environment.WestchesterCountyNY.gov to schedule.
- Items can be in any condition (torn, worn, stained, missing button, broken zippers) as long as they are clean, dry, and odorless.
- Accepted materials include natural or synthetic fibers such as wool, silk, linen, cotton, polyester, leather, vinyl, hemp, and rayon.
- Please bag all textiles prior to drop-off.