

# Colts Neck Township



# 2026 Recycling Schedule

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## 2026 RECYCLING COLLECTION INSTRUCTIONS

Colts Neck Township automated recycling collection in full effect. As part of this program, each household was provided with one (1) green, 96-gallon, wheeled recycling cart for use in placing recyclables at the curb. This cart, while the property of Colts Neck Township, will be linked to your address by a serial number embedded within the cart. Proper care of the cart is the responsibility of the homeowner. If you move from your home, the cart must remain with your property. Following is important information regarding recycling collection:

- Single Stream Recycling (fully comingled) remains in place. All acceptable recyclable materials (see below) **MUST** be placed in the cart and placed curbside for collection.
- **Only contents within the cart will be collected. Nothing on the outside of the cart, leaning against the cart, or items in other types of cans or bins nearby will be collected.**
- Place the cart in the street with the wheels against the curb with the lid opening towards the street. If there is no curb, place the cart at the street line within two feet of the street.
- As always, carts may be put out the night before your scheduled collection day and must be removed the day of collection.
- Place the cart at least 4 feet from trees, utility poles, mailboxes, etc., and at least 5 feet away from any cars parked in the street. If your household trash collection is the same day, be sure to leave at least 4 feet between the two carts.
- The automated truck arm has a maximum reach of 4 feet. The arm requires a 3-foot clearance around the cart for the lifting mechanism to work properly. Cars parked within 5 feet of the container will inhibit or even prevent collection.

### Important Reminders:

- **CARDBOARD** must be flattened and placed in the cart. If it is on the ground, it will not be collected.
- **NO PLASTIC BAGS** of any kind will be collected. Do not place inside cart.
- **NO FOOD WASTE** may be placed inside your curbside cart.
- **PLEASE RINSE** all recyclable items that contained food or beverages.
- **MISSED COLLECTION ONLY:** Please call Republic Services at 732-991-7270.

### SCHEDULE

- Curbside collection will be every other week on Mondays and Thursdays. (See the enclosed Recycling Map and 2026 Collection Dates.)
- Recycling **WILL** be collected on Memorial Day, and Labor Day.
- Recycling **WILL NOT** be collected on New Year's Day & Thanksgiving Day.
- Zone 2 will be collected on the day after New Year's Day, Friday, January 2, 2026
- Zone 4 will be collected on the day after Thanksgiving, Friday, November 27, 2026.

# RECYCLING COLLECTION DATES 2026

(HOLIDAY COLLECTIONS ARE BOLDED)

## ZONE 1

Monday

1/12	1/26	
2/9	2/23	
3/9	3/23	
4/6	4/20	
5/4	5/18	
6/1	6/15	6/29
7/13	7/27	
8/10	8/24	
9/7	9/21	
10/5	10/19	
11/2	11/16	11/30
12/14	12/28	

## ZONE 2

Thursday

<b>1/2*</b>	1/15	1/29
2/12	2/26	
3/12	3/26	
4/9	4/23	
5/7	5/21	
6/4	6/18	
7/2	7/16	7/30
8/13	8/27	
9/10	9/24	
10/8	10/22	
11/5	11/19	
12/3	12/17	12/31

\* 1/2 – Fri. pick up Zone 2

## ZONE 3

Monday

1/5	1/19	
2/2	2/16	
3/2	3/16	3/30
4/13	4/27	
5/11	5/25	
6/8	6/22	
7/6	7/20	
8/3	8/17	8/31
9/14	9/28	
10/12	10/26	
11/9	11/23	
12/7	12/21	






## ZONE 4

Thursday

1/8	1/22	
2/5	2/19	
3/5	3/19	
4/2	4/16	4/30
5/14	5/28	
6/11	6/25	
7/9	7/23	
8/6	8/20	
9/3	9/17	
10/1	10/15	10/29
11/12	<b>11/27*</b>	
12/10	12/24	

\* 11/27 - Fri. pick up Zone 4

## ACCEPTABLE AND UNACCEPTABLE MATERIALS FOR RECYCLING

	<b>Aluminum, Tin, &amp; Bimetal Cans</b>	<p><b>ACCEPTABLE:</b> All disposable cans made of aluminum used for food or beverages. All disposable cans made of tin, steel or a combination of metals, including but not limited to, containers commonly used for food products. <b>MUST BE RINSED!</b></p> <p><b>UNACCEPTABLE:</b> Aluminum foils, pie tins, trays, cookware and other aluminum products. Cans which contain toxic products, such as paints and oils.</p>
	<b>Cleaned Mixed Paper &amp; Newspaper</b>	<p><b>ACCEPTABLE:</b> High-grade bond paper, mixed office papers and school papers, such as stationary, construction paper and writing tablets, including computer printouts, magazines, gift-wrapping paper, softcover books, junk mail and single-layer cardboard (chipboard). Newspaper includes paper of the type commonly referred to as "newsprint" and includes any inserts which are normally included in the newspaper.</p> <p><b>UNACCEPTABLE:</b> Carbon papers, hardcover books (unless cover and binder are removed), paper cups and plates, food products, and paper products used for personal hygiene, such as tissues. Newspaper used for household projects and crafts such as painting or papier-mache projects or used for cleanup of pet waste.</p>
	<b>Corrugated Cardboard</b>	<p><b>ACCEPTABLE:</b> Layered cardboard, including the waffled section between the layers, of the type commonly used to make boxes and cartons. <b>MUST BE FLATTENED!</b></p> <p><b>UNACCEPTABLE:</b> Waxed cardboard and cardboard contaminated by direct contact with food, such as pizza boxes.</p>
	<b>Glass Bottles and Jars</b>	<p><b>ACCEPTABLE:</b> Transparent or translucent containers made from silica or sand, soda ash and limestone and used for packaging or bottling of various products.</p> <p><b>UNACCEPTABLE:</b> Dishware, light bulbs, window glass, ceramics, and other glass products.</p>
	<b>Pourable Plastic Containers</b>	<p><b>ACCEPTABLE:</b> Plastic bottles that have a neck that is smaller than the body of the container; limited to plastic resin Type No. 1 PET and plastic resin Type No. 2 HDPE.</p> <p><b>UNACCEPTABLE:</b> Resin types No. 2 through No. 7 and not bottle plastic containers such as margarine tubs and other consumer items and packages, such as film plastics, blister packaging, boxes, baskets, toys and other products. <b>NO PLASTIC BAGS!</b></p>

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### HELP PREVENT WATER POLLUTION – STORMWATER SEWERS

Sweeping, raking, blowing or otherwise placing yard waste that is not containerized at the curb or along the street is only allowed during the scheduled and announced collection period, and shall not be placed closer than 10 feet from any storm drain inlet. Placement of such yard waste at the curb or along the street at any other time or in any other manner is a violation of Township code.

For complete information on solid waste recycling, view Chapter 195, Article I, of the Municipal Code found on the Township's website, [www.coltsneck.org](http://www.coltsneck.org), under I'd Like To.

**Questions? Please call the Department of Public Works at 732-462-7998 or email us at [dpw@coltsneck.org](mailto:dpw@coltsneck.org)**