

# 2026 Recycling & Refuse Newsletter

Effective April 1, 2026

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Hours: M-F 8am-3pm (closed 12pm-12:30pm for lunch)

## COMPOST SITE PERMITS FOR THE 2026 SEASON

Available at the following locations:

### Public Works Office – 6 Stanton Road

M-F 8am-3pm (Closed 12pm-12:30pm)

### Town Clerks Office – 50 Church Street

M-W 8am-4pm. Thu 8am-6pm, Fri 8am-1pm

\* Permits are NOT issued at the compost site or on Saturdays.

Compost permits are issued to **RESIDENTS of Windsor Locks ONLY**. ID and a valid vehicle registration for a vehicle registered in the Town of Windsor Locks are required to be presented at the time of applying for a permit. Permits will not be given to unregistered vehicles (such as lawn tractors). The permit sticker must be applied to the vehicle for which it was obtained.

### HOURS OF OPERATION: 8AM-2PM

Apr 17 – May 3	Fri, Sat, Sun	* Schedule subject to change
May 9 – Oct 18	Sat & Sun	
Oct 23 – Dec 6	Fri, Sat, Sun	

## CURBSIDE COLLECTION OF BAGGED YARD WASTE

All American Waste will begin picking up bagged yard waste on Monday, April 6, 2026. Collections will continue town-wide every Monday, through the final collection date of Monday, December 7, 2026.

- Items must be bagged in brown paper lawn/leaf bags only.
- Place curbside not more than 24 hours in advance.
- Acceptable items include leaves, pine needles, pinecones, acorns, twigs, small branches, dead annuals, perennials, thatch and green grass clippings.
- Do not overfill or place any household trash, including plastic bags and planters, in the bags.

If bagged yard waste is not picked up by 3pm on collection day, please **CALL ALL AMERICAN WASTE at 860-289-7850**.

## BULK, METAL, & FREON COLLECTIONS

Call All American Waste at 860-289-7850 to schedule a pick-up of large household items.

- Bulk pick-up is every Tuesday.
- Metal & Freon pick-up is the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month.

*\* Cut off time is noon  
the day before pick-up*

**NON-REFUNDABLE** fees are required for the following items:

- Mattresses & Boxsprings - \$30 per piece
- Freon Items - \$25 per piece
  - Air conditioners
  - Dehumidifier
  - Refrigerators
  - Water coolers
  - Freezers

Fees are paid at the Public Works office during office hours above. Exact cash, checks and credit/debit cards (plus convenience fee) are accepted.

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Or on our Town's website:



## Recycling Hours for Windsor Locks Residents

Every Saturday 8am-12pm  
Check in with the attendant on duty  
in the recycling area.

Acceptable items include:

- Batteries - alkaline, car, boat & other acid filled batteries;
- Covered Electronic Devices - computers, laptops, printers, fax machines, monitors, TVs, cell phones, tablets, VCRs, DVD players, remote controls, keyboards, stereo equipment, speakers and microwaves;
- Used un-mixed motor oil and anti-freeze - no other fluids accepted.

The recycling area will be closed on holidays and during storm events.

## Household Hazardous Waste Drop Off Event

Windsor Locks DPW  
6 Stanton Road  
Saturday, October 17, 2025.

Check the website or stop by the office for a complete list of locations and acceptable items.

# A Guide to Recycling

Connecticut now has a universal list of what belongs in your recycling bin and what doesn't. All items should be **empty, rinsed, clean and open**. Do **not** shred, box, bag or bundle. To learn more, go to [RecycleCT.com](http://RecycleCT.com)



## What's **IN**?

### PAPER

- Cardboard & boxboard
- Food & beverage cartons
- Junk mail
- Magazines & newspaper inserts
- Newsprint
- Office paper
- Pizza boxes

### GLASS

- Beverage bottles & jars
- Food bottles & jars

### METAL

- Aerosol containers (food grade only)
- Aluminum foil
- Cans & bottles
- Foil containers
- Metal lids from cans & bottles

### PLASTIC

- Plastic bottles (with or without caps attached)
- Plastic containers, tubs & lids
- Plastic one-use cups (no lids, no straws)



## What's **OUT**?

- Gift wrap & gift bags
- Ice cream containers
- Paper cups (hot & cold)
- Shredded paper
- Take-out food containers
- Tissue paper

- Ceramic mugs & plates
- Drinking glasses

- Aerosol containers (deodorizers, cleaners, pesticides, etc.)
- Foil tops from yogurt containers
- Paint cans
- Pots & pans
- Small pieces of scrap metal
- Spiral wound containers

- Loose bottle caps
- Plastic bags & wrap
- Plastic plates, bowls & utensils
- Prescription bottles
- Single-use coffee containers
- Styrofoam cups, containers & packaging peanuts
- Water filters

