

RECYCLING INFORMATION

The Town of Vernon has a **required** curbside recycling program. Recycling is collected weekly. One orange bin is issued per family unit. Recycle bins are available at the Public Works Office.



ACCEPTABLE MATERIALS & PREPARATION FOR CURBSIDE PICKUP

PLACE IN RECYCLE BIN



ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CONTAINERS

Examples: Soda & beer cans

- Rinse clean.
- Do not flatten or crush cans.
- Self-opening attached tabs acceptable.



ALUMINUM FOIL

Examples: Aluminum foil wrap, take-out aluminum foil food containers

- Rinse clean.
- Fold flat.
- Free of other materials

ASEPTIC PACKAGING

Examples: Milk & juice cartons, juice boxes

- Rinse clean.
- Remove straws & plastic spout caps.
- Do not flatten or crush cartons.



GLASS FOOD & DRINK (any color)

Examples: Soda, liquor, wine & juice bottles, jelly jars

- Clear, brown & green bottles
- Rinse clean.
- Place lids, caps, broken glass or dishes with refuse.
- Labels need not be removed.



METAL FOOD & DRINK

Examples: Soup, vegetable, juice, cookie tins, pet food cans, kitchen spray cans, bulk size vegetable containers

- Rinse clean.
- Clean metal lids acceptable.
- No. 10 size cans acceptable.
- Empty aerosol cans previously containing non-hazardous substances acceptable.



PLASTIC CONTAINERS - PET & HDPE

(Coded with "1" or "2" on the bottom)

Examples: Water bottles, laundry detergent bottles, milk & juice jugs, shampoo bottles

- Rinse clean.
- No empty motor oil containers.
- Discard caps & lids in refuse.
- Labels & neck rings need not be removed.



PLACE IN PAPER GROCERY BAG OR BUNDLE



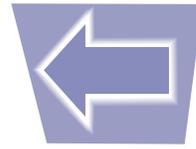
NEWSPAPERS, MAGAZINES, CATALOGS, JUNK MAIL & OFFICE PAPER (Unshredded)

- May be co-mingled.
- No need to separate.
- **Plastic bags are not acceptable.**



OFFICE PAPER & JUNK MAIL (Shredded)

- May be co-mingled. No need to separate.
- Place in paper grocery bag and staple or tape shut.
- No loose shredded paper.
- Large quantities may be brought to the Transfer Station. Permit & punchcard not required.



BOXBOARD

Examples: Cereal boxes, cracker boxes, shoe boxes, beer cartons & six-pack holders

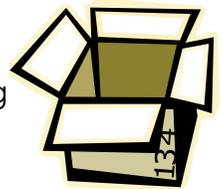
- Dry food & cereal boxes must have inside bag removed.
- Boxboard contaminated by food not acceptable.



CORRUGATED CARDBOARD

Examples: Kraft paper shipping boxes in all sizes

- Cut/fold to a maximum size of 18" x 24". Bundle with string to a maximum height of 12".



ADDITIONAL RECYCLING

CLOTHING/SHOES - Kiducation

containers are located front of the Public Works Garages at 375 Hartford Turnpike (Rt. 30) and at the Transfer Station.



BOOKS, DVDs, VHS TAPES & CASSETTES - All

soft and hardcover books (including encyclopedias) as well as DVDs, VHS tapes & cassettes may now be recycled.

Hands Across The Water collection container is located at the Transfer Station.



ELECTRONICS - Televisions, VCR's, computer equipment, etc. may now be recycled at the Transfer Station. Permit & punchcard are required.



TELEPHONE BOOKS -

SBC/SNET Phone Books - Recycling containers are located in front of the Public Works Garages at 375 Htfld Tpke and at the Transfer Station.



MISCELLANEOUS -

Sears Hardware - All types of batteries

Wireless Zone - Cell phones

Radio Shack - Rechargeable batteries

Staples - Cell phones, ink & toner cartridges

Bernies - Electronics recycling (see

bernies.com)



ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DATES

Electronics only will be accepted for recycling at the Transfer Station **free of charge** on the following dates. Proof of Vernon residency must be shown.

2009

WEDNESDAY 8 AM - 4 PM	SATURDAY 8 AM - 4 PM
February 4	February 7
May 6	May 9
July 22	July 25
October 28	October 31

REFUSE AND RECYCLING HOLIDAYS

The Town of Vernon observes the legal holidays listed below. Refuse and recycling are not picked up on these days and are **usually picked up on the regular workday following the holiday**. A double pickup is done on the regular workday following, picking up two day's trash on one day. This double pickup enables the rest of the week to remain on its regular schedule.

When there is a **two-day holiday, the first day is picked up on the previous workday and the second day is picked up on the following workday**. The Thanksgiving holiday is an example of this—Thursday's pickup is combined with the Wednesday pickup and the Friday pickup is combined with the following Monday, then we are usually on schedule for the rest of the week.

2009

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Town Offices</u> <u>Closed</u>	<u>Double Pickup</u> <u>Day</u>
New Year's Day	Thu, Jan 1, 2009	Fri, Jan 2
Martin Luther King Day	Mon, Jan 19	Tue, Jan 20
Presidents Day	Mon, Feb 16	Tue, Feb 17
Good Friday	Fri, Apr 10	Mon, Apr 13
Memorial Day	Mon, May 25	Tue, May 26
Independence Day	Fri, Jul 3	Mon, Jul 6
Labor Day	Mon, Sep 7	Tue, Sep 8
Columbus Day	Mon, Oct 12	Tue, Oct 13
Veterans Day	Wed, Nov 11	Thu, Nov 12
Thanksgiving Day	Thu, Nov 26	Wed, Nov 25
	Fri, Nov 27	Mon, Nov 30
Christmas	Fri, Dec 25	Mon, Dec 28

Announcements are sent to the local newspapers (the Hartford Courant, the Journal Inquirer, the Rockville Reminder) and the public access cable television station for publication several days in advance. Please check these sources for needed information. A storm-related refuse change is unusual and would be announced on the local radio station – WTIC-AM 1080.

HELPFUL RECYCLING WEBSITES

- call2recycle.org

- surplusbooksforcharity.org

- kiducation.org

- freecycle.org

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