



# SW&R Newsletter



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## RECYCLING 202: "Dual-Stream"... What's that mean?

Dual Stream means two categories... The Recycling truck has two compartments, one for all items made of 'Paper' (fibers) and the other for all types of 'Bottles & Cans' (or "Containers"). Please separate recyclables in two categories...



Use **GREEN** Recycle Bin

- Newspaper
- Magazines
- Cereal/ Tissue box
- Office Paper
- Junk Mail
- Catalogs
- Magazines
- Cardboard (3'x3')



Use a Barrel with (free) Sticker

- Glass Jars
- Steel cans
- Tin / Aluminum
- Plastics #1-#7 (see below)
- No loose bottle caps**

Stickers are available at DPW, Senior Center, City Hall (Rm 34) and Health Dept.

**Important! Please have this notice translated immediately.**

¡Importante! Por favor haga traducir este aviso inmediatamente.  
 Importante! Fate tradurre questo avviso immediatamente.  
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 Important! Faites traduire cet avis immédiatement.  
 Importante! Mande traduzir este aviso imediatamente.

**QUAN TRỌNG ! CẦN DỊCH CÁO THỊ NÀY LIỀN**

重要！請立刻將本通知翻譯成中文。

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Προσοχή! Δώστε να σας μεταφράσουν αμέσως αυτή την ανακοίνωση.

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- [Haitian Creole]
- [French]
- [Portugese]
- [Vietnamese]
- [Chinese]
- [Laotian]
- [Armenian]
- [Greek]
- [Cambodian]

### Place the following in your B&C barrel:

Clean Plastics (#1-#7)

- #1 PET (PETE)
- #2 HDPE
- #3 V or VC
- #4 LDPE
- #5 PP
- #6 \*PS\* (see below)
- #7 Misc/other

Purple 'overflow' bags are required for all 'extra' trash that does not fit in closed carts



## Summer Holiday Schedule

Mon. July 4                      Mon. Sept. 5

**4th of July                      Labor Day**

**City Hall Closed              City Hall Closed**

Whenever a scheduled collection day falls on a holiday, that day's collection and all remaining collections for the week will be delayed one day. Friday's collection will be on Saturday.

### Please Do Not place

**Plastic Bags**

(Return clean plastic bags To local markets)

**\*Styrofoam\***

(Includes Egg Cartons, Coffee Cups, Deli/Fruit Trays and 'Packing Peanuts')

**Pizza Boxes**

(Grease, cheese & sauce ruins clean 'paper')

**in your recycling**

## Solid Waste & Recycling Office, DPW,

Health Department  
341 Pine Street  
Lowell MA 01851

Phone: 978-446-7277  
Email: [recycle@lowellma.gov](mailto:recycle@lowellma.gov)



Rethink Recycling... It's easier than ever!

[www.lowellrecycle.org](http://www.lowellrecycle.org)

## Join the SW&R Office e-mail list

Receive updates regarding:

- Yard Waste Season - beginning/ending dates
- Holiday trash day schedule
- Christmas Tree drop-off locations and dates
- Availability of Compost Bins / Rain barrels
- Quarterly Newsletters, Annual Flyer etc.
- Earth Day & America Recycles Day info and much more;

visit: [www.egovlink.com/lowell](http://www.egovlink.com/lowell)

Select: 'Subscriptions' then 'DPW- SW&R News'

FALL Household Hazardous Waste Day tentatively scheduled for Sat., Sept. 17, 2011. More details and updated calendar at: [www.LowellRecycle.org](http://www.LowellRecycle.org)

For 'MISSED' trash, recycling or yard waste collection; contact Allied Waste; at 978-649-7564 or use the online form at [www.LowellRecycle.org](http://www.LowellRecycle.org)

**Open Carts will not be emptied!**

## Curbside Solid Waste & Recycling Ordinance Enforcement Policy

Household items, such as furniture, appliances, tires and televisions, must be scheduled for pick-up by Allied Waste, before being placed out for collection. Call their **Customer Service at 978-649-7564** for an appointment. Do not place items curbside until day of collection. Disposal charges will be collected over the phone [M/C, Visa or Debit will be accepted]. Items that do not comply with local ordinances and regulations will not be collected. Repeat offenders risk fines. The disposal/collection costs are posted at [www.LowellRecycle.org](http://www.LowellRecycle.org)

### Did you know...

That the disposal fee for every ton of trash costs the City **\$68**? That might not sound like a lot; but Lowell collects **30,000** tons of trash annually, costing upwards of **\$2 Million**. Consider moving more recyclables to the recycling bins. Save space in your cart... and **save\$\$**.

## Lowell Regional Wastewater Utility expands Recycling drop-off

The LRWU {aka Duck Island}, at 451 First Street Blvd, (Rt 110 - at the Dracut line) has expanded its recycling drop-off collection. The 'last Sat. of each month', from 8 AM until Noon, the attendant will collect: Waste Motor Oil, Medical Sharps (Placed in a puncture-proof container; such as a liquid detergent container, with a screw-on lid -label "**SHARPS**"), Mercury Thermometers, Mercury Thermostats; Compact Florescent Lights (CFLs) **No** Linear bulbs please- Rechargeable Batteries (Ni-Mh, Ni-Cd, Li-ion, Ni-Zn), Button Cell Batteries; Used Vegetable Oil (in original containers - **No** commercial Qty) and "**Paper**" and "**Bottles & Cans**" [same as 'curbside' material] [www.LowellRecycle.org](http://www.LowellRecycle.org). Mark these Saturdays on your calendar:

**Jul. 30, Aug. 27, Sept. 24, Oct. 29, Nov. 26 & Dec. 31.**

### Attention Landlords:

You are urged to distribute copies of this Newsletter to your tenants; a PDF of this document is available at: [www.LowellRecycle.org](http://www.LowellRecycle.org) email or call the SW&R Office with questions.

### Curbside Customer? Need a recycling bin?

Green Recycle bins are **FREE**. (for 'City trash customers') One per household and are available at either:



**City Hall**  
Room 34

OR

**Public Works**  
1365 Middlesex  
Street

### Pizza box recycling

Because empty pizza boxes are often stained with sauce, cheese or grease, don't place them in your recycling bin... they can potentially contaminate recycled paper. Learn how to recycle them at: [Recyclemypizza.net](http://Recyclemypizza.net)