

RESOLUTION #2011-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UPPER SOUTHAMPTON, COUNTY OF BUCKS, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA ESTABLISHING MUNICIPAL WASTE, RECYCLING, AND YARD WASTE REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the Upper Southampton Township Board of Supervisors adopted Township Ordinance #385 known as the of the Upper Southampton Township Municipal Waste Management Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, the Upper Southampton Township Board of Supervisors adopted Township Ordinance #386 known as the Upper Southampton Township Recycling Ordinance; and

WHEREAS, said Ordinances provide for the establishment of reasonable regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Supervisors of the Township of Upper Southampton does hereby adopt the following Municipal Waste, Recycling, and Yard Waste Regulations:

Section 1: Definitions

1. Aluminum Containers – empty all-aluminum beverage and food containers.
2. Bi-Metallic Containers – empty food or beverage containers consisting of ferrous sides and bottoms and aluminum tops.
3. Bulk Waste – large items of refuse, including but not limited to, furniture, carpet, tires, and appliances, which require collection in other than conventional compactor type collection vehicles.
3. Corrugated Paper – structural paper material with an inner core shaped in ridged parallel furrows and ridges.
4. Curbside Recycling Collection – the scheduled collection and transportation of recyclable materials placed at the curb or street line by persons residing at a residential property.
5. Glass Containers – bottles and jars made of clear, green, or brown glass. Expressly excluded are non-container glass, plate glass, blue glass, and porcelain and ceramic products.

6. Leaf Waste – leaves, garden residues, shrubbery and tree trimmings, and similar materials, but not including grass clippings.
7. Magazines – printed matter containing miscellaneous written pieces published at fixed or varying intervals. Expressly excluded are all other paper products.
8. Multi-Family Housing Property – property containing more than four (4) dwelling units in one building and all dwellings within the building shall have common ownership.
9. Municipal Waste – any garbage, refuse, industrial lunchroom or office waste and other material including solid, liquid, semisolid or contained gaseous material, resulting from operation of residential, municipal, commercial, or institutional establishments and from community activities, and any sludge not meeting the definition of residual or hazardous waste under Act 97 from a municipal, commercial or institutional water supply treatment plant, wastewater treatment plant, or air pollution control facility. The term does not include any source-separated recyclable materials.
10. Newsprint – paper of the type commonly referred to as newspaper and distributed at fixed or varying intervals, having printed thereon news and/or opinions, containing advertisements and other matters of public interest; expressly excluded, however, are newsprint which has been soiled.
11. Office paper – a generic name given to a wide variety of paper products used in the home or office, including writing, computer and copying paper.
12. Person – any individual, partnership, corporation, association, institution, cooperative enterprise, municipality, municipal authority, Federal government or agency, State institution or agency, or any other legal entity recognized by law as the subject of rights and duties. In any provisions of this Ordinance prescribing a fine, imprisonment, or penalty or any combination of the foregoing, the term “person” shall include the officers and directors of any corporation or other legal entity having officers and directors.
13. Paperboard – is a thick paper based material made of pressed paper pulp or pasted sheets of paper; may also be made from reclaimed paper stock. Commonly used for packaging (i.e. food boxes, gift boxes, pizza boxes) and posters. Also known as chip board or pressed cardboard.
14. Plastic – empty plastic food and beverage containers. Due to the large variety of types of plastic, the recycling regulations may stipulate specific types of plastic which may be recycled.
15. Recyclable Materials – those materials specified by the Township for separate collection in accordance with recycling regulations. Such materials may include,

but shall not be limited to leaf waste, yard waste, glass containers, aluminum containers, steel containers, bi-metallic containers, office paper, newsprint, corrugated paper, paperboard and plastics.

16. Recycling – the collection, separation, recovery and sale or reuse of metals, glass, paper, leaf waste, plastics and other materials which would otherwise be disposed or processed as municipal waste or the mechanized separation and treatment of municipal waste (other than through combustion) and creation and recovery of reusable materials other than a fuel for the generation of energy.
17. Residential Property – all properties used for residential purposes, regardless of the number of dwelling units, except for multi-family housing properties.
18. Single Stream Materials - all newsprint, magazines, catalogs, junk mail, corrugated cardboard, paperboard, office paper, glass containers, aluminum containers, steel containers, bi-metallic containers, and plastic mixed together in a recycling container.
19. Source-Separated Recyclable Materials – materials, including leaf waste, that are separated from municipal waste at the point of origin or generation for the purpose of recycling.
20. Steel Containers – empty ferrous or “tin” food or beverage containers.
21. Township – the Township of Upper Southampton, Bucks County, Pennsylvania.
22. Yard Waste – leaf waste as defined above and grass clippings.

For the purpose of this Resolution, the singular shall include the plural and the masculine shall include the feminine and neuter.

Section 2: Municipal Waste Regulations at Residential Properties

1. Collection Schedule - Municipal waste, except for bulk waste, shall be collected twice a week, on Tuesdays and Fridays.
2. Holidays – There shall be no collection on New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, and Christmas Day. Service will continue on the next scheduled collection day.
3. Preparation for Collection – Municipal waste must be placed in a suitable container which has a tight fitting cover and handles, is water tight and animal proof and easily carried by the collector. Containers shall not be less than 20 gallons or more than 35 gallons in capacity. The municipal waste and container combined shall weigh less than 50 pounds.

4. A maximum of six (6) containers of municipal waste will be collected each collection day.
5. Appliances containing refrigerants – Refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, etc. that contain, or once contained, refrigerants are collected by appointment only. Residents must contact the waste hauler directly to schedule pick up of these items.
6. Bulk Waste – Bulk items such as furniture, carpet, tires, and appliances which do not contain refrigerants, are collected on Fridays. There is a limit of one item per week. Carpet shall be cut to lengths of four feet or less and tied in manageable bundles. Ten (10) bundles of carpet are considered one bulk item. Rims must be removed from tires. Two tires are considered one bulk item. Completely remove refrigerator and freezer doors to prevent small children from becoming trapped inside. Doors are collected on Fridays with regular municipal waste.
7. Latex (water-based) paint may be placed in the trash for regular collection. Unused paint must be in a solid state to prevent it from spilling onto the street during collection.
8. Containers shall not be placed at the curb or street line for collection before 6:00 p.m. on the evening proceeding a collection day. Empty containers must be removed from the curb by 10:00 p.m. of the day of the collection. Collections may occur as early as 6:00 a.m., so residents are advised to plan accordingly.
9. Prohibited items – The collector is not responsible for the removal of building materials, automobile parts, tree stumps, demolition materials, concrete, and dirt and household hazardous wastes (such as oil-based paints and solvents, pool chemicals, pesticides, etc.). Residents are responsible for the proper disposal of these items.

Section 3: Recycling Regulations at Residential Properties

1. All persons residing at residential properties shall recycle single stream materials. Plastic shall include empty plastic food and beverage containers identified with the universal recycling log and #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6 or #7 imprinted on the container. All recyclable materials shall be placed in a waterproof container, no larger than forty (40) gallons in size and have the universal recycling logo imprinted or pasted on the outside of the container.
2. Recyclable materials are collected on Tuesdays for all residential properties north of Street Road and west of Churchville Road, and on Fridays for all other residential properties within the Township.

Section 4: Recycling Regulations at Multi-family Residential Properties

1. All persons residing at multi-family housing properties shall recycle single stream materials as defined above. Plastic shall include empty plastic food and beverage containers, with #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #6 or #7 imprinted on the container.

Section 5: Yard Waste Regulations at Residential Properties

1. Effective April 1 to December 15 of each year, yard waste is collected on the day following the recycling collection day. Yard waste is collected separately from municipal waste and delivered to a compost facility for processing. There is no limit on the amount of yard waste collected during this period. Yard waste may be placed in 30 gallon biodegradable paper bags or in regular waste containers. Residents may not use cardboard boxes or plastic bags, as these will not be accepted at the compost facility. Tree branches shall be cut to lengths of four (4) feet or less and tied in manageable bundles.
2. From December 16 through March 31, yard waste may be taken to the Tullytown Resource Recovery Facility (800-869-5566) weekdays 7:00AM to 4:00PM and Saturday 7:00AM to 11:00AM, located at 200 Bordertown Road, Tullytown, PA 19007. There is a processing fee at the Composting Facility.

BE IT RESOLVED this 15 day of March, 2011.

UPPER SOUTHAMPTON TOWNSHIP
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Walter Stevens, Secretary/Treasurer



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