

OVERVIEW OF THE TRANSFER STATION PROGRAM

LOCATION: 350 Beaver Dam Road
(Route 3, Exit 3)

HOURS:

Sunday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Monday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Friday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm
Saturday	8:00 am – 4:00 pm

HOLIDAY CLOSURE SCHEDULE FOR 2015/2016:

Independence Day	Saturday, July 4, 2015
Columbus Day	Monday, October 12, 2015
Thanksgiving Day	Thursday, November 26, 2015
Christmas Day	Friday, December 25, 2015
New Year's Day	Friday, January 1, 2016
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, January 18, 2016
President's Day	Monday, February 15, 2016

WHAT ITEMS DOES THE TRANSFER STATION ACCEPT?

The Transfer Station is a full-service municipal facility that accepts both trash and a wide range of recyclables. (For a detailed list, go to www.plymouth-ma.gov)

DO I NEED A PASS TO ACCESS THE TRANSFER STATION?

It is important to only utilize the Transfer Station if you have a valid pass. If you enter the Transfer Station without a pass, you will receive a \$100 violation. (For information on how to sign-up or renew, please read on.)

WHAT DO I NEED TO KNOW ABOUT RECYCLING?

Residents are required to recycle plastic (#1-7), glass, steel, and tin containers in one of the three designated “Commingled” containers. Also, office paper, magazines and light cardboard (i.e. cereal boxes, tissue boxes) must be placed in one of the “Mixed Paper” containers.

Please note - Before you place your recyclables in the recycling containers, it is vital you adhere to the following rules:

1. **Rinse** your recyclable containers of all food residues to reduce odors.
2. **Do not place any plastic bags into the designated containers!** If you have any plastic bags that contain recyclable items, empty those items into the appropriate containers and dispose of the plastic bags in the trash. Plastic bags are a contaminate and not recyclable.
3. Do not dispose of any paper products that have been contaminated – for example, do not recycle used paper plates, paper towels, Kleenex, napkins or cups. These items, once dirty with food waste or other contaminants, must be disposed of as trash.

The Transfer Station also has a separate container for newspaper, and two containers for cardboard. As with mixed paper, please make sure that the cardboard is free of any food debris. Pizza boxes contaminated with grease or food particles may NOT be recycled and should instead be disposed of as trash.

The Transfer Station also accepts the following items for recycling at no cost:

- Leaves and grass – please DO NOT leave the grass and leaf material in plastic bags at the transfer station. Leaving grass and leaf material in bio-degradable paper bags is acceptable.
- Scrap metal – please see the attendant for assistance before placing the item in the designated container
- Automotive batteries
- Redeemable bottles and cans
- Used clothing & textiles
- Waste engine oil
- Antifreeze
- Mercury devices, including light tubes and thermostat switches
- Smoke alarms

The transfer station DOES CHARGE for the recycling of certain items, including:

- Televisions and Computer Monitors - \$10.00 each

- Propane Tanks - \$2.00 each
- Tires - \$2.00 each for an average size automobile tire, more for larger sizes – see attendant for more information
- Devices with CFCs, including refrigerators, dehumidifiers and ACs - \$15.00 each

*Payment is check only – NO CASH – made out to *Town of Plymouth*

WHAT ITEMS ARE NOT ACCEPTED AT THE TRANSFER STATION?

Please check the “What Do I Do With?” list (available at www.plymouth-ma.gov) for a comprehensive list of items that the Transfer Station will or will not accept. For those items that are not accepted (i.e. carpet, lumber, furniture, mattresses, etc.) please utilize the Difficult to Manage (DTM) Facility located adjacent to the Transfer Station on Beaver Dam Road.

A permit is not required to patronize the DTM Facility. It is open Sunday, Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you have specific questions about what items the facility will accept or what it will cost to dispose of them, please call (508) 224-8936 during operating hours.

WHAT ABOUT ORANGE BAGS?

The Town of Plymouth is a Pay As You Throw community. This means that the Town has made a decision to implement policies that will reduce the amount of trash that is disposed of through the Curbside Collection Program and at the Transfer Station.

In an effort to reduce the amount of trash that is disposed, while also increasing recycling, special orange bags **MUST** be purchased and used for all trash disposed of at both the Transfer Station and through the Curbside Collection Program.

The orange bags come in two sizes: 15 gallon and 30 gallon. The present cost for bags is \$6.25 for five 30 gallon bags and \$6.25 for eight 15 gallon bags. They can be purchased at a variety of stores in town. (For a complete list of stores, go to www.plymouth-ma.gov)

Orange bags must be used for the disposal of all trash at the Transfer Station. The attendants at the Transfer Station will not allow any bags other than the official Plymouth Pay As You Throw bags to be disposed of. Remember – **ONLY TRASH, NOT RECYCLABLES** need to go in the orange bags.

If you have any problems with the bags (poor quality or a store did not have the bags in stock), please contact Waste Zero's Customer Service Department at (800) 866-3954. They are available Monday thru Friday from 8:00 am until 5:00 pm, and can address any issues associated with the orange bags.

HOW DO I SIGN UP FOR TRANSFER STATION ACCESS?

There are a number of Transfer Station passes available:

- Option B (\$90.00) – Provides one year (July 1, 2015 thru June 30, 2016) of access for trash and recycling disposal.
- Seasonal 4-Month Pass (\$65.00) – Provides 4 months of access for trash and recycling disposal.
- Seasonal 1-Month Pass (\$20.00) – Provides 1 month of access for trash and recycling disposal.

There are two ways to purchase Transfer Station passes:

- New sign-ups and renewals may be done at the Town Hall Tax Collector's Office
 - Hours are Monday thru Friday, from 7:00 am to 4:00 pm.
 - Payments can be made by cash or check only.
 - For payment questions, the Tax Collector's Office can be reached at (508) 747-1620 ext. 164.
- Or renew online at www.plymouth-ma.gov
 - Payments can be made by credit or debit cards only.

Any questions or concerns regarding the Transfer Station's policies and operations should be directed to Sandy Strassel, Solid Waste Administrative Assistant. She can be reached Monday thru Friday, from 7:00 am to 3:30 pm, at (508) 830-4162 ext. 100 or at sstrassel@townhall.plymouth.ma.us.