# **Recycling Collection Schedule** Green Recyclables Week Blue Recyclables Week Observed Holiday Yard Waste Week Household Bulk Waste Collection Week April 2016 June 2016 S M T W T F S S M T W T F S S M T W T F S July 2016 August 2016 September 2016 October 2016 S M T W T F S S M T W T F S January 2017 February 2017 March 2017 17 18 19 20 21 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 12 13 14 15 16 17

# **Observed 2016-2017 Holidays**

When an observed holiday falls on a normal collection day, collections will be delayed by one day for the remainder of the week. Please note this applies to holidays marked on this calendar only. For example, should a holiday fall on a Wednesday, those collections would be delayed until Thursday, Thursday's normal collections will move to Friday and Friday's to Saturday. The following holidays will result in delayed collections:

Memorial Day - Monday May 30th, 2016 **Labor Day** - Monday September 5th, 2016

**Independence Day** - Monday July 4th, 2016 **Thanksgiving** - Thursday November 24th, 2016

#### Yard Waste Collection Weeks:

April 11th, May 16th, June 6th, July 18th, September 12th, October 10th, November 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th.

Household Bulk Collection Weeks - NO APPOINTMENTS NECESSARY week of October 3, 2016 and March 27th, 2017.

## **Bagster**

The automated trash collection program is not intended to provide service for moves or cleanouts. For large projects you may contact Waste Management for information at (800) 972-4545. Or visit www.thebagster.com for more information on our NEW Bagster, Dumpster in a Bag program. Please go to TheBagster.com to see more on The Bagster and how much collection is in your area. See below for a \$10 off coupon for the collection of your bag special for Westwood residents!

# Town of Westwood special discount!

# **HAVE A BIG CLEANUP PROJECT**

Plan for the waste with the Bagster® bag from Waste Management.



Get started today at thebagster.com

Coupon Code:105-02056

Expires: 3/31/17

(1) Discount valid for the collection of one (1) bag. Discount applied to highest priced Bagster bag of an order. One coupon per person, household, or company per order. Coupon code must be given at the time of scheduling Bagster bag collection to receive discount. Coupon not valid where prohibited by law or not valid with other offers. Restrictions apply. Collection service not available everywhere; visit the bagster.com to find available service areas. For collection, yellow lifting straps must be able to connect above the bag.

For updates, please check out our website at westwoodrecycling.com





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# **Town of Westwood**

Trash and Recycling Collection Services





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#### Dear Westwood Resident:

The Town of Westwood provides a comprehensive waste and recycling program designed to reduce materials headed to the landfill and ensure that all waste is disposed of in an environmentally responsible manner. Waste Management looks forward to helping Westwood be as clean – and green – as possible in the years ahead. We take this opportunity to provide you updated information regarding your waste and recycling services.

For More Information:

Town Office Phone: (781) 251-2587

Town Website: www.townhall.westwood.ma.us

Waste Management: (800) 972-4545

Thank you and we appreciate your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Waste Management

#### **Schedule**

Trash will be collected weekly, and recycling will be collected every other week on either the Green or Blue Weeks - please see the 2016 Collection Calendar on the back of this brochure. Note that collections will be delayed one day if there is a holiday. Observed holidays are indicated on the collection calendar in this brochure.

The placement of your cart is very important since the collection vehicle's lifting arm requires clearance: 3 feet on both sides, and 12 feet overhead. The carts should be no more than 3 feet away from the road's edge with the arrow facing the road and the hinges facing away from the street.

#### Trash

All regular household trash should be bagged and placed in the 64-gallon cart for collection. Items outside of the cart will NOT be collected unless in the approved overflow bags.

Overflow bags are available for purchase at Roche Bros. and Walgreens on High Street. Overflow bags are sold in rolls of 5 for \$10 and each bag holds 33-gallons of trash. These are only needed for extra trash that will not fit inside your trash cart.

The following items may NOT be placed in the 64-gallon trash container:

Recycling
 Household hazardous waste

Yard Waste
 Hot ashes or flammable materials

• Dirt, sod, concrete or rock such as oil, gas or paint

Construction/demolition debris



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# Recycling

Each resident has a 96- gallon cart for recycling. Your recycling container should be placed curbside every other week on the same day as your regular trash collection. Recycling carts with blue lids will be picked up every other week on the Blue Recycling Weeks schedule. Recycling carts with green lids will be picked up on the Green Recycling Weeks schedule. Please refer to the Collection Calendar on the back of this brochure to determine your recycling collection weeks.



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Recycling not only conserves precious natural resources, but also helps to reduce costs by decreasing the amount of materials that go to the landfill. The Town participates in profit-sharing with Waste Management for recyclable materials. Put your tax dollars to their best use by minimizing the amount of trash you dispose of. But please recycle the right materials. See the adjacent panel to learn how Westwood residents can use the Recycle Often. Recycle Right.<sup>5m</sup> program.

To learn more, or to become a Recycling Ambassador, visit www.RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com.

Please see the town website to see where you can recycle other items like clothing, books, furniture, etc.

#### **Bulk Waste and White Goods**

Bulk waste items are items that will not fit into your trash cart, such as furniture, mattresses, box springs, mirrors, rugs, etc.

White goods are items such as washers, dryers, small compact metal items, refrigerators with the doors removed, computers, TV's, etc.

Call Waste Management at (800) 972-4545 to schedule an appointment

for a pick-up of bulk waste and white goods. Fees vary. If you are not in a hurry to have your bulk item collected, please see information on the next page regarding Westwood's NEW Household Bulk Item Collection Event!

#### **Leaves and Yard Waste**

Leaves and yard waste (grass clippings, leaves, twigs, etc.) will be collected 10 weeks throughout the year (See calendar for dates). Leaves MUST be placed in paper leaf recycling bags or 'loose' in barrels clearly marked 'Leaves.' Yard waste cannot be placed in plastic bags – any yard waste in plastic bags will not be collected. Barrels and bags must be placed at the curb by 7:00 a.m.

#### Yard Waste collection weeks:

April 11-15, May 16-20, June 6-10, July 18-22, August- No Collection, September 12-16, October 10-14, November 7-11, 14-18, 21-25 & 11/28-12/2.

The Town does not pick up brush, branches, and limbs unless they fall from a public tree. Please call the Westwood Fire Department for more information on private burn permit, (781) 326–3885.

# **Household Hazardous Waste Day**

Saturday September 17th, 2016 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Westwood Public Works Highway Yard ~ 50 Carby Street Please see town website for more information and pricing.



# **Household Recycling Event**

Westwood Environmental Action Committee (WEAC) and Town of Westwood DPW are hosting an electronics recycling event at 50 Carby Street on April 30, 2016 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.



Please see the town website for more information.

### Household Bulk Collection Event

During the weeks of October 3rd, 2016 and the week of March 27th, 2017 - Residents will be allowed to set out at the curb by 7:00 a.m. on your regular scheduled collection day, 1 bulk item per household which will be collected free of charge. No appointment needed. This offer does not include collection of white good items. Please see Town website for additional information.

### **Special Waste**

### Sharps Collection Program:

Pick up a free sharps disposal container at the Board of Health, Town Hall or the Senior Center during regular business hours. Residents can dispose of their sharps anytime in the sharps collection kiosk located outside the Westwood Police Station on High Street.

# Medication Collection Program:

Residents can dispose of expired prescription and over the counter medications in the Medication Collection Box located in the lobby of the Westwood Police Station on High Street.

# Mercury Collection Program:

Button batteries, mercury thermometers, thermostats, switches, and products that contain liquid mercury can be brought to the Board of Health Office during regular business hours to be recycled properly. Fluorescent bulbs are collected at the Household Hazardous Waste Day in the fall.

# **Tips for the Best Service**

- Always keep the lids on your trash and recycling carts closed to keep rain, snow and animals out.
- Make sure all materials fit inside your carts with the lids closed.
- Always bag your trash to keep cart clean and sanitary.
- Clean your cart periodically.



#### THINK GREEN:





When Westwood residents use **Recycle Often. Recycle Right.** sm, great things happen. By recycling everyday items like those shown below, tons of raw materials, time, energy and money are saved. Plus the recycled materials become new products – if you recycle an aluminum can today, it could be back on the shelf as a new one in 60 days – and the cycle continues.

- Place only the acceptable recyclables shown below together in your recycling cart
   no sorting needed.
- · Containers that held food should be rinsed free of food debris and liquid.
- Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

Recycling will be collected every other week - see the calendar on the back side to determine your Recycling Collection Week. Acceptable materials for curbside recycling include:

### Always recycle:



Plastic Bottles & Containers



Flattened Cardboard & Paperboard



Cans



Food & Beverage Cartons



Paper



Glass Bottles & Containers

#### Do NOT include in your mixed recycling cart:

(Keep medical waste out of recycling. Place in

safe disposal containers like Waste Management's



NO Food Waste (Compost instead!)

NO Needles



MedWaste Tracker® box.)

NO Plastic Bags & Film (Find a recycling site at plasticfilmrecycling.org)



& Containers
(Check Earth911.org for options.)

To Learn More Visit:

RecycleOftenRecycleRight.com

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