Overview
Dover's Solid Waste & Recycling Transfer Station provides residents a cost-effective and convenient method for the disposal of trash and recyclables. The goal is to save taxes by reducing the amount of trash sent to the incinerator and to prevent the return of any loads containing banned or recyclable materials.

Dover does not provide curb-side pickup. Residents must drop off their trash and recyclables at the Transfer Station or contract a Commercial Hauler for this service.

Massachusetts Law Prohibits Recyclables in Trash, Please Separate Recyclables

Special Events
The Highway Department and Dover Recycling Committee sponsor several annual targeted events. Volunteers are welcome. Please watch for specific announcements:

- **Spring Clean-up** - pick-up of trash and recyclables from Dover’s streets – 1st Saturday of May
- **Special Recyclables Week** - mattresses, box springs, tires; shredding of documents; re-use of bicycles – June and October
- **Household Hazardous Waste Days** – provided by nine near-by towns. See Transfer Station webpage for dates and locations.
- **Dover Days** – Town fair in Dover Center; special display and promotion on recycling – September

Comments or Suggestions:
Dover Recycling Committee
P.O. Box 250, Dover, MA 02030
email: recycle@doverma.org

**SOLID WASTE**

**Household Refuse**

**Trash, Food Waste** and Bulky Items
Dispose in designated containers for Household Refuse. See program for food scrap recycling.

**NO** - Hazardous Material, Special Waste or recyclables

**Construction & Demolition Waste**

**Construction & Demolition (C&D) Waste**
Pipes, wood and other materials resulting from the demolition and/or construction of buildings or other structures that are not classified as Restricted Material are to be disposed of in the designated container. The following fees apply:

- **Pick-up Truck (Full Load)** $90.00
- **Pick-up Truck (Half Load)/SUV** $45.00

**Restricted Material Prohibited**

Asphalt, Brick, Concrete, Masonry, Tiles Sheetrock, Gypsum Board, Plaster Shingles.

**Restricted Material Permitted Only on Special Dates**

**Mattresses & Box Springs, Tires** (week in June and October)

**Food Waste**

Dover provides free food waste diversion at the Transfer Station for all food scraps including bones, shells, tea bags, coffee grounds, all meats, eggs and fish. All food must be bagged in any type of bag - plastic, paper or compostable. The use of compostable bags is recommended. The food scraps are sent to an anaerobic digester to be converted to electricity.

**RECYCLABLES**

**Use designated containers/areas**

**Cardboard and Boxboard** – Flattened - Corrugated cardboard, boxboard (cereal, pasta, tissue boxes, paper towel roll), brown paper bags.

**NO** - waxed cardboard (milk, juice, soup cartons)-put in trash.

**Mixed Paper** - Newspaper (including inserts), magazines, catalogs, gloss paper, envelopes (including window), office paper (white or colored), phone books.

**NO** - wrapping paper-put in trash.

**Glass Containers** - Clear and colored glass. Remove caps, corks and lids. Containers should be empty and rinsed.

**NO**- light bulbs, Pyrex cookware, plate glass, drinking glasses, windows, windshields, mirrors and ceramics-put in trash.

**Plastic Containers** - #1 through #7 plastics containers. Rinse to deter insects and rodents. Plastic lids and caps may be included. Ok to leave labels on.

**NO**- Plastic bags, packing materials, Styrofoam-put in trash.

**Metal Containers** - Rinsed aluminum, steel or bimetal beverage and food containers except those with redeemable cash deposit.

**Deposit/Redeemable Containers** - All Deposit redeemable plastic and glass bottles, and aluminum cans for redemption to support local non-profits.

**Electronics** – Cathode ray tubes (CRTs and televisions), computers, monitors, keyboards, printers, radios, microwaves, VCRs, DVDs and audio equipment.

**Compostable Yard Waste** – Leaves, flowers and grass clippings should be placed in the composting area.

**NO** - bushes, tree trunks, limbs and stumps or plastic bags.

**Propane Tanks** – Must be empty. Use designated area

**Rigid Plastics** – can be placed in Mary’s Swap Shop for reuse or disposed of in designated container.

**Large Metal Items** – washing machines, dryers, appliances, tools, items containing cast iron such as sinks bathtubs and radiators, and other metal items such as lawn chairs and bicycles.

**NO**-home oil drums, tanks which contained petroleum products, nor appliances containing refrigerants such as air conditioners and refrigerators

**Books** – Place on a shelf at Mary’s Swap Shop.

**Clothing** - All clothing, shoes, purses and accessories in good condition. Place in plastic bags to keep material clean and dry.

**Textiles** - All types of textiles, blankets, towels, and curtains that are clean and dry (excluding carpets). Even single shoes, gloves or socks are accepted. Place in plastic bags to keep material clean and dry.

**Mary’s Swap Shop** – Items clean and in good working condition that you no longer want or need but someone else could use (i.e., toys, tools, sports equipment, books, household items). Latex Paint cans at least half full are accepted May to October only.

**Furniture** - Furniture in reasonable condition should be placed in the furniture shed for re-use among town residents.

**Holiday Decorations** - Hay stalks, pumpkins, wreaths and trees/plants should be placed in compostable yard waste. Remove all holiday ornaments. Christmas trees will be chipped.

**See attendant for disposal of:**

**Batteries** - Lead acid, rechargeable s, button and nickel cadmium batteries

**Oil** - Motor oil from vehicle and mechanical equipment oil changes, cooking oils