

TOWN OF NEW GLOUCESTER

MANDATORY RECYCLING ORDINANCE

1. TITLE PURPOSE

This ordinance shall be known as the Recycling Ordinance for the Town of New Gloucester. This ordinance has several purposes: to preserve and protect environmental resources, to protect the health safety and welfare of the public, to enhance the quality and character of life in the Town, and to improve the efforts to recover and reuse valuable resources currently being wasted.

2. SCOPE

This ordinance applies to all domestic, commercial and industrial producers of solid waste in the Town of New Gloucester except Pineland Center and SAD #15 Schools.

3. AUTHORITY

This ordinance is adopted pursuant to the Home Rule powers granted in the Maine Constitution M.R.S.A. 30A, Section 3001 et. seq., and M.R.S.A. 38, section 1301 et. seq.

4. DEFINITIONS

The definitions set forth in M.R.S.A. 38, section 1303 apply to this ordinance and are incorporated herein. Any word not otherwise defined shall have its ordinary meaning.

5. RECYCLING REQUIREMENT

All solid waste shall have the following commodities ("recyclable materials") separated out when delivered to the Town or M.M.W.A.C. solid waste and recycling facility. This also applies to curbside pickup by licensed commercial haulers:

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| 1. Newspapers    | 8. Mixed paper *             |
| 2. Tires         | 9. Computer paper *          |
| 3. Glass         | 10. Ledger paper *           |
| 4. Cans          | 11. Magazines *              |
| 5. Cardboard     | 12. Plastics, Type 1, 2, & 3 |
| 6. Paper Bags    | 13. Mixed Plastics *         |
| 7. Phone books * |                              |

\* Items currently not being recycled but may be required at a later date.

6. RECYCLING FACILITY:

The Town provides a facility for the collection and storage of recyclable materials at the Transfer Station located on Bald Hill Road. All recyclable materials by all haulers and residents must be deposited at the New Gloucester Transfer Station, or some other site that may be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

7. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT:

The Selectmen of the Town of New Gloucester with input from the Recycling Committee shall administer and enforce this ordinance. They shall jointly regulate the fees set for non-compliance of recycling. Fees shall be determined by the Board of Selectmen with input from the Recycling Committee

8. VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES:

Any person, firm, partnership, corporation, or other entity who fails to separate the recyclable materials from their solid waste shall pay a per bag fee for non-compliance. Commercial haulers (who haul to MMWAC) shall be responsible for paying their own tipping fee if they fail to separate the recyclable materials. Commercial haulers (who at the discretion of the Public Works Director and/or Transfer Station Operator) that drop at the Transfer Station shall be required to pay a per bag fee if they fail to separate the recyclable materials

9. AMENDMENTS:

This ordinance may be amended as provided in M.R.S.A 30A, section 3004(4).

10. FEES:

All fees to be determined by the Board of Selectmen.

11. SEVERABILITY AND EFFECTIVE DATE:

This ordinance shall become effective 60 days when adopted by a majority of the voters at any regular or special Town meeting.

If any provision of this ordinance is found by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unenforceable, the remaining provision shall continue in full force and effect.