

MANDATORY RECYCLING AND TRANSFER STATION ORDINANCE

Operational Authority: The Town of Dublin is authorized by RSA 149-M and permitted to operate in accordance with Env-Sw 405 as a collection, storage, recycling and transfer facility as defined in Env-Sw 102.35. Transfer Station/Recycling Center Permit # DES-SW-PN-20-002

Pursuant to RSA 31:39 (f), RSA 149-M: 17 and the authority vested in the Dublin Select Board by the 1989 Annual Town Meeting, whereby the Mandatory Recycling Ordinance was approved for the operation of its Transfer Station and Mandatory Recycling Center facility. This Ordinance was subsequently amended in 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 2002, 2007, 2013, 2019 and 2022.

Pursuant to RSA 31:39 the Select Board is hereby authorized to adjust the operating hours, disposal contracts, recycling requirements and tipping fees. Necessary changes to this Ordinance shall be added or deleted to reflect the facility costs and the changing recycling market. As new opportunities arise for recycled products, they will be added per order of the Select Board.

Purpose and Intent: It is the Town's intent to

- 1. Provide for the disposal of Municipal Solid Waste in an environmentally safe and economical manner.
- 2. Provide an adequate facility for the transfer of solid wastes to appropriate disposal sites.
- 3. Provide a facility for the reception of recyclable materials to be processed and sold.
- 4. Establish mandatory recycling of designated materials for all Dublin residents at the Transfer Station /Recycling Center Facility.

It is the Town's intent to protect the health and safety of all residents and employees of Dublin, New Hampshire and to safeguard our groundwater and natural resources while mandating residents to reduce, reuse and recycle.

Facility Use: The facility shall be available for use by residents and non-resident property owners of the Town of Dublin for the proper disposal of acceptable solid wastes generated within the Town of Dublin.

- 1. Residents using the facility shall agree to the provisions of this Article which is available at the facility and posted on the Town website.
- 2. Those who use the facility shall be held liable for all damages they may cause to the facility or injuries to personnel.
- 3. A person who violates any condition or regulation within this Ordinance adopted by the Select Board that results in monetary damage to the Town, shall reimburse the Town for the costs so incurred, pursuant to RSA 149-M:7.
- 4. The Transfer Station Attendant shall have the authority to refuse admittance to any person who intentionally misuses the facility or refuses to follow the polices set forth in

this Ordinance.

5. With permission from the T.S. Attendant, the facility may be used for campaigning, conducting polls, presenting a petition or for any purpose that is within the public's best interest as long as normal facility operations are not interfered with nor any political signs/literature are placed or left on any Town surface. Failure to comply with these guidelines will result in immediate dismissal from the property.

Operational Procedures:

- 1. Transfer Station / Recycling Center personnel shall be certified by the NH Department of Environmental Services.
- 2. Employees and volunteers will be overseen by the Transfer Station Superintendent.
- 3. Equipment shall only be operated by authorized Transfer Station personnel.
- 4. Solid waste and recyclables shall only be accepted during the designated hours of operation as determined by the Select Board. Unauthorized persons entering the facility outside of the established posted hours shall be guilty of Trespassing. Hours of operation are posted at the entrance of the facility and on the Town website.
- 5. Commercial haulers, contractors, businesses, institutions, trades persons or other municipalities/state agencies are not permitted to use the facility.
- 6. Bulky Waste items and resident's debris associated with private residential construction and/or demolition are subject to disposal fees. The Attendant has the right to refuse such debris if determined to be excessive in volume and/or weight.
- 7. The compactor is designed to accept Municipal Solid Waste, commonly known as household trash, rubbish or garbage, which is free of recyclables. The Attendant has the right to refuse any MSW determined to be unsorted or excessive in volume and/or weight.
- 8. Hazardous liquids, pastes, antifreeze, gasoline, and oil base paints are not accepted. Household Hazardous Waste collections are scheduled periodically throughout the year at the Keene Recycling Center for Dublin residents. The exception is used motor/waste oil. The term "waste oil" includes: automatic transmission fluid, crankcase oil, diesel fuel, #1 and #2 fuel oil and gear oil with a viscosity of 90 weight or less.
- 9. Brush, with a diameter less than 5inches, and yard waste are accepted and disposed of in separate burn and compost piles. Disposal of brush shall be suspended during prolonged periods of dry weather at the discretion of the Superintendent.
- 11. New Hampshire Statutory Bans for Municipal Solid Waste disposal include:
 - 1. Construction and Demolition Debris
 - 2. Electronic Waste
 - 3. Leaf and Yard Waste
 - 4. Mercury Items
 - 5. Wet Cell and Rechargeable Batteries

Permit: Use of the Transfer Station / Recycling Center require proof of residency or property ownership.

Fees: Tipping fees are established and authorized by the Select Board. Fees are paid directly to a facility attendant by cash or check at the time of disposal and are credited toward the Recycling Fund. Fees are posted at the facility and on the Town's website.

Recycling is Mandatory!

Penalties: The Select Board, as enforcing officials, may utilize summons and notice of fine procedures as authorized by RSA 149-M:13 and RSA 502-A:19-b.

1st Offense: Warning plus disposal costs if any

2nd Offense: \$25.00 fine in addition to disposal costs if any

3rd Offense: Loss of facility privileges plus disposal costs if any

Failure to pay tipping fees is theft of a service and subject to fines, loss of facility privileges and/or arrest.

Recycling: Items submitted for recycling must be clean, free from contamination and dry. Items must be placed in the specified containers. Materials and items received at the Recycling Center, including those destined for the Swap Shop shall become the property of the Town of Dublin. Safety and insurance restrictions prohibit removal of any items from the Recycling Center or Transfer Station without a facility or Swap Shop attendant's approval. This includes all tools, electronics, metals, wood and any other Swap Shop commodity.

Recycling Committee: The Select Board shall appoint an advisory committee to assist in the operation of the Transfer Station and Swap Shop. Their duties include, but are not limited to periodic inspections of the facility and submitting reports as requested by the Select Board, developing plans, procedures and publications in order to improve the facility.

Swap Shop: The Swap Shop is staffed by volunteers selected by the Recycling Committee and provides an exchange point for clean useable items. Items subject to tipping fees are not permitted without the consent of a swap-shop attendant. Facility attendants are authorized to reject any unsuitable item. Leaving items outside the Shop when it is closed is prohibited.

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