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# 2020 Recycling & Curbside Collection Guide

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**WE DO NOT ACCEPT PLASTIC BAGS.**



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## Curbside Collection Schedule

### Thursdays

<b>January</b> 9, 23	<b>July</b> 9, 23
<b>February</b> 6, 20	<b>August</b> 6, 20
<b>March</b> 5, 19	<b>September</b> 3, 17
<b>April</b> 2, 16, 30	<b>October</b> 1, 15, 29
<b>May</b> 14, 28	<b>November</b> 12, 28*
<b>June</b> 11, 25	<b>December</b> 10, 24

**Includes:**  
Bordered by Prospect Place and Beachwood Avenue to the north; Orchard Road, Hawthorne Avenue, and Mountain Avenue to the east; Willow Drive and Union Avenue to the south; Lincoln Boulevard to the west.

*\*Thanksgiving Day: November 26 pick up will be collected on November 28*

### Fridays

<b>January</b> 10, 24	<b>July</b> 10, 24
<b>February</b> 7, 21	<b>August</b> 7, 21
<b>March</b> 6, 20	<b>September</b> 4, 18
<b>April</b> 3, 17	<b>October</b> 2, 16, 30
<b>May</b> 1, 15, 29	<b>November</b> 13, 27
<b>June</b> 12, 26	<b>December</b> 11, 26*

**Includes:**  
Bordered by Boundbrook Creek and Green Brook Creek to the north; Dunellen to the east; William Street to the south; Ramsey Road, Hawthorne Street and Mountain Avenue to the west.

Bordered by Ashland Road to the north; Oak Drive to the east; Lincoln Boulevard to the south; Raritan Avenue to the west.

*\*Christmas Day: December 25 pick up will be collected on December 26*

## DO Recycle



### Plastic Bottles

coded with #1 & #2 only



### Glass Bottles & Jars

all sizes, shapes and colors



### Mixed Paper

paper, newspaper, magazines, soft cover books



### Cans

aluminum and steel (tin) cans



### Cardboard

corrugated, cereal boxes

## DON'T Put IN the Recycling BIN



### Plastic Bags

i.e: grocery, ziploc, garbage bags



### Shredded Paper



### Greasy or food contaminated items



### Pots, pans, and small appliances



### Plastic coded #3 - #7



### Tanglers i.e: garden hoses, electric cords



### Syringes, batteries and bulbs



### Dishware, glass, and mirrors



### Styrofoam

## The Middlesex County Improvement Authority's Program collects recyclables in single-stream fashion.

**All curbside recyclable items, such as bottles, cans, paper, and small flat cardboard can be mixed together in a single recycling container. Do not put recycling in bags.**

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### Proper Containers

Blue containers with the Middlesex County logo are used for single-stream collection in the MCIA's program. Overflow can be placed in your own unlidded plastic or metal containers 32 gallons or smaller and not more than 50 lbs. Do not overfill containers.

#### Not Accepted:

Recyclables in plastic bags or in containers not at the curb. Do not leave them near the house, garage, or at the top of the driveway.

#### Replacement Containers:

If your containers are lost,

stolen, or broken, replacement containers can be purchased from your municipal recycling coordinator (contact info listed in Recycling Service Information section of this brochure).

#### New Homeowners:

Welcome! Contact your municipal recycling coordinator within three months of moving in to obtain a free container (contact info listed in Recycling Service Information section of this brochure).

#### Curbside Collection:

Place your full containers on the curb before 6 am on collection day (times are subject to change). Be sure to label them with your name and address.

## Newspaper & Mixed Paper

#### We Accept:

- newspaper
- magazines
- catalogs
- junk mail
- brown paper bags
- nonmetallic wrapping paper
- office records
- computer paper
- file folders
- receipts
- telephone books
- softcover books
- hardcover books (remove front and back cover)
- greeting cards
- nonwaxy food and cereal boxes
- tissue boxes
- shoe boxes

If you have more paper than you can fit in your container, place the overflow in brown paper grocery bags (**NO PLASTIC BAGS**). Additional newspaper may be bundled, tied, and placed next to your container.

## Cardboard & Paperboard

#### We Accept:

Corrugated cardboard and

layered cardboard shaped into ridges, folds, or grooves (such as shipping boxes and packaging for most appliances).

**Flatten, bundle, and securely tie** the cardboard and sheets into stacks no larger than 48 inches square and 12 inches high. **CARDBOARD IN PLASTIC BAGS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.**

*Note: The maximum number of recycling bundles of cardboard and/or paper bags of mixed paper that the collector will pick up from individual households, each collection, is six (6).*

**We Do Not Accept Pizza Boxes or Shredded Paper.**

## Cans, Bottles & Plastic

#### We Accept:

Metal, glass, and plastic recyclables in single-stream fashion and can be commingled. Rinse all items.

#### Metal:

Tin, steel, aluminum, and bimetal cans (soda, beer, pet food, soup and tuna cans). Rinse the cans and crush them to maximize capacity. Dispose of lids.

#### Glass:

Glass bottles and jars of all colors

(juice, soda, beer and liquor bottles, mayonnaise and spaghetti sauce jars). Remove and dispose lids.

#### **Plastic:**

#1 PETE and #2 HDPE containers (milk and juice jugs, water bottles, laundry detergent, shampoo, and soda bottles).

Check for:



Crush to maximize capacity and remove and dispose caps.

#### **We Do Not Accept:**

- drinking glasses
- window glass
- mirrors
- Pyrex® glassware
- light bulbs
- plastic toys
- plastic packaging
- aluminum foil
- gardening or garage plastics
- polystyrene or Styrofoam™
- plastic cups or food trays

*Only recyclables that are properly prepared will be collected. You may receive a **rejection** sticker and collection skipped otherwise.*

### **Leaves, Brush & Grass**

#### **Leaves**

*(contact Dept. Of Public Works for pick-up dates: 732-968-1603)* should be placed in biodegradable bags (do not rake leaves to curb).

#### **Grass Clippings**

*(collected Wednesdays)* should be placed curbside in biodegradable bags (20 bags per household provided by Borough).

### **Special Items**

Visit RecycleCoach or call 732-356-7953 for specific details on Middlesex Borough Recycling Center, metal and appliance pick-up.

### **RecycleCoach**

Whether it's determining what is recyclable, or remembering the pick-up schedule, RecycleCoach has you covered. Download this app to personalize your own recycling calendar and use the What Goes Where? search tool to better sort your recyclables.

Available in the App Store or Google Play.



### **Contact**

**Keith Giuliano,**  
**Middlesex Borough**  
732-356-7953

**Bob Teutsch, Superintendent,**  
**Department of Public Works,**  
**CPWM**  
732-356-7400 ext. 278

#### **Recycling Hotline**

800-488-6242

#### **Weather Emergencies**

Changes in collection due to weather emergencies or other emergency situations can be found at [www.mciauth.com](http://www.mciauth.com) or checked with the recycling department directly at 800-488-6242.

#### **800-488-6242 (MCIA)**

Municipal recycling schedules available at [www.mciauth.com](http://www.mciauth.com)