

# **Town of Bolton, MA**

## **Municipal Transfer Station & Recycling Center**

### **REGULATIONS**

#### **Rules and Regulations of the Bolton Transfer Station & Recycling Center**

##### **Section - 1    Purpose**

The purpose of these Regulations is to establish rules, provisions and applicable disposal fees for the operation of the Bolton Transfer Station & Recycling Center (Facility) to ensure consistency in compliance with these Regulations and with the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection solid waste regulations.

##### **Section - 2    Use of Facility**

The Facility is for use by Town of Bolton residents and property owners for the legal disposal of domestic municipal solid waste, recyclables and other accepted items.

Recycling is mandatory in the Town of Bolton.

Disposal of Waste generated by and from any source other than within the Town of Bolton is prohibited.

Proof of residency for users of the Facility may be requested by the operating attendant. Failure to establish proof of residency will result in removal from the premises.

A failure to produce proof of residency after disposal of material shall be a violation of the Regulations and subject to penalty.

##### **Section - 3    Hours of Operation**

The Town of Bolton Select Board and the Bolton Public Works Department have established the following hours of operation for the Transfer Station.

Wednesdays – 1:00PM to 7:00PM

Fridays - 1:00PM to 4:00PM

Saturdays - 8:00AM to 3:00PM

These hours may be amended from time to time. Notice of any change in the hours will be posted at the facility and on the town website, including distribution as “news” on the website.

#### **Section - 4     Materials Accepted**

Only solid waste, in full compliance with the Authorization to Construct Transfer Station and Recycling Facility (BWP SW 19 – Small Handling Facilities) #W003820 (THE PERMIT) as issued by the MADEP, shall be accepted at the Facility.

Municipal solid waste must be deposited in the appropriate receptacle as directed by staff. All non-bulk refuse must be in town issued Pay-as-you-Throw (PAYT) bags. Bags must be purchased or obtained from the Town.

#### **Section - 5     Banned Waste Materials**

##### **A. Separated from Household Refuse.**

All generators of solid waste within the Town, shall separate the following waste materials from their trash before it is brought to the Facility and dispose of in designated areas, or as directed by operations staff:

- a. All glass containers
- b. Metal and aluminum cans
- c. Paper products, including newspaper, magazines, corrugated cardboard, boxboard, phone books, "junk mail," and non-window envelopes
- d. Plastic bottles and containers labeled No. 1 through 7
- e. Tires
- f. Scrap metal, including white goods and appliances
- g. Electronics, Computers, printers
- h. Clothing & shoes
- i. Mattress and box spring
- j. Furniture & acceptable bulky waste
- k. Hazardous materials, including but not limited to:
  - i. Automotive batteries
  - ii. Fluorescent bulbs and ballasts
  - iii. Cathode-ray tubes (TVs and computer monitors)
  - iv. Rechargeable and button batteries

##### **B. The following items are **not accepted** at the Facility:**

- a. Hazardous materials - which are accepted at the Regional Hazardous Waste Collection (Devens)
  - i. Automotive products including motor oil, antifreeze, oil filters
  - ii. Oil-based paints and thinners
  - iii. Other items listed and accepted at the Devens facility
- b. Construction and demolition debris (C&D)
- c. Propane tanks
- d. Leaves and yard waste

Failure to properly separate waste material in violation of the State Mandated Waste Ban shall be a violation of these Regulations and subject to penalty.

Waste-Banned materials at the Facility shall be disposed of into the proper designated container, after first paying the stipulated, if any, disposal fee.

#### **Section - 6     Fees**

The Board of Selectman shall be the fee setting authority. Established fees for the Facility shall be as outlined in Table 1 of these Regulations. Fees may be adjusted from time to time based on market and disposal costs.

#### **Section - 7     Ownership of Property.**

Upon collection by the Town, all recyclable and waste materials shall become the property of the Town. It shall be a violation of these Regulations for any unauthorized person to collect or remove, or cause to be removed, any recyclable or waste materials once they have been deposited at the Bolton Transfer Station.

#### **Section - 8     Violations and penalties.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, any person who violates the provisions of these Regulations may be penalized by fine as set forth in the Code of the Town of Bolton, Division 1; Part 1; Article 3, Section 1-5.

Prohibition of use – The Select Board may, in its sole discretion, suspend or prohibit any user from using the Facility due to a violation of these Regulations.

#### **Section 9 –     Enforcement.**

The Department of Public Works is the authority to enforce these Regulations at the Facility to ensure compliance.

#### **Section - 10     Amendments.**

The Bolton Select Board is the authority to amend these Regulations.

**Section – 11 Severability.**

If any provision of these Regulations or the application of such provisions to any person or circumstances shall be held invalid, the validity of the remainder of the Regulations and applicability of such provisions to other persons or circumstances shall not be affected thereby.

**Section – 12 Effective Date**

These Regulations shall be in full force and effect upon affirmative vote of the Select Board. The Board approved these Regulations at its meeting on February 29, 2024 and revised on April 25, 2024.

**Table 1**

<u>Municipal Solid Waste (Trash/nonrecyclable) Fees</u>	
Household trash is accepted in either 33 - gallon or 15 - gallon town supplied bags	
<u>Cost of Disposal (per bag)</u>	
33- gallon bag	\$2.50 per bag
15- gallon bag	\$1.25 per bag

<u>BULKY WASTE FEES</u>		
Up to a trunk load	Between a trunk load and $\frac{3}{4}$ pick-up truck load	Pick-up truck load
\$30.00	\$70.00	\$100.00

<u>Fees for other than Municipal Solid Waste (recyclable/bulk materials)</u>			
Air Conditioners	\$25.00	Mixed Paper	Free
Aluminum	Free	Microwave Ovens	\$25.00
Auto Batteries	\$3.00	Newspaper	Free
Auto Tires	\$3.00	Plastic (#1 - #7)	Free
Books / DVD's	Free	Printers	\$5.00
Bookshelves	\$10.00	Refrigerators	\$25.00
Cardboard	Free	Scanners	\$5.00
Compact Fluorescent Lightbulbs	Free	Scrap Metal	Free
Computers	\$10.00	Sofa / Loveseat	\$25.00
DVD Players	\$10.00	Tin Cans	Free
Fax Machines	\$5.00	TV's / Monitors	\$25.00
Glass	Free	Upholstered Furniture	\$25.00
Rugs (varied sizes)	\$10.00 +	VCR's	\$5.00
Truck Tires to 22"	\$8.00	Water Coolers	\$25.00
Mattress / Box Spring	\$25.00	White Goods / Appliances	\$25.00