

RECYCLING/DISPOSAL INFO FOR WILMINGTON &  
NEW HANOVER COUNTY RESIDENTS

**THINK!**

**BEFORE YOU PUT IT  
IN THE SINK OR TRASH**



**DID YOU KNOW?**

Every second, 19 pounds of waste is generated in New Hanover County!

Recycling, reusing, and proper disposal of items has many valuable benefits that:

- 🌍 save landfill space
- 🌍 conserve natural resources
- 🌍 protect water quality
- 🌍 reduce air pollution
- 🌍 save trees
- 🌍 reduce energy use and greenhouse gases
- 🌍 provide industry with raw materials that take less energy to make than virgin materials
- 🌍 create jobs
- 🌍 allow us to feel good about keeping our coastal environment clean and safe for future generations!

**City of Wilmington  
Solid Waste Management**

235 Operations Center Drive  
Wilmington, NC 28412  
341-7875

*The following services are for residents that have City of Wilmington trash service.*

**Curbside Recycling** *(Same day as trash service)*

Recyclables should be empty, dry, free of caps and rings, and clean of food and debris.

**Aluminum Cans**

**Cardboard** (flattened)

**Glass Bottles and Jars**

**Steel/Tin Food Cans**

**Newspaper**

**Mixed Paper** *(phone books, magazines, catalogs, brochures, office/computer paper, colored paper, file folders, paper bags, cereal & food boxes, soft cover books, junk mail, and all other paper without wax liners).*

**#1-7 Plastic Bottles & Containers**  
(with a neck)

**\*NO PLASTIC BAGS or STYROFOAM!**

**Yard Waste Pick-Up** *(Same day as trash service)*

Loose items *(i.e. grass clippings, leaves, pine cones, pinestraw)* must be in a bag, container, or personal trash can, not in the City trash cart.

**Bulky Items** Picked up by appointment only, free of charge. Call to schedule appointment, 341-7875.

**Extra Trash** Household trash that does not fit in your cart, must be bagged with an orange sticker attached. Stickers can be purchased in the City's Solid Waste office.



**New Hanover County**

**Drop-Off Recycling Center Locations:**

Castle Hayne Road/Highway 117 - behind Hardees

Market Street/Highway 17 in Ogden - on Blair School Rd.

Monkey Junction - 1 mile north on S. College Rd. at Moose Lodge 343

Murray Middle School - 655 Halyburton Memorial Pkwy. behind Veterans Park

Corner of Murrayville & N. College Rd.- Lowe's Foods parking lot

Wrightsville Beach - at municipal complex

Wastec Recycling Ctr. - 3002 US Hwy 421 N

**Drop-off Recycling Centers accept:**

**Aluminum Cans**

**Cardboard**

**Glass Bottles & Jars**

**Newspaper**

**Mixed Paper** *(magazines, white paper, colored paper, computer paper, file folders, brochures, catalogues, magazines, phone books, paper back books, paper bags, junk mail, drink boxes, cereal & food boxes)*

**Rechargeable Household Batteries**

**Plastic Bottles & Containers #1-7**

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**NHC Landfill** 5210 Hwy 421 North, 798-4450  
(Open M-F 7-5, Sat 8-11:45).

**Accepts:** Appliances, antifreeze, motor oil, rechargeable batteries, scrap metal, carpet (fee), construction debris/wood (fee), furniture (fee), tires (from residents only, 5 per day free). Residents may take paint to the Wastec Facility at 3002 US Highway N. (10 can max).

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days & Electronic Waste Collection Days**

Various dates & locations, call 798-4400.






### Think Before You Put it in the Trash or Sink!

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City of Wilmington Solid Waste Division (for City residents with trash service) 341-7875	NHC Drop-off Recycling Centers (open 24 hours) 798-4400	NHC Wastec Facility & Recycling Center 3002 Hwy 421 North 798-4400	NHC Landfill 5210 Hwy 421 North (M-F 7-5, Sat 8-11:45) 798-4450	NHC Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day (no business waste) 798-4400	Advance Auto Parts All Locations	Auto Zone Stores All Locations	Batteries Plus 5042 Market St. 792-1300	Coastal Enterprises 1214 Kidder St. 763-3424	Habitat Home Store 1515 N. Front St. 762-4744	Goodwill All Locations	Rescue Mission 502 Castle St. 343-0366	Salvation Army 820 N. 2nd St. 762-6611
Aluminum Cans & Containers	✓	✓	✓	✓	All Locations	All Locations	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Antifreeze			✓	✓								
Appliances	✓ by appt.		✓	✓					✓ work	✓ small, work	✓ work	
Batteries (rechargeable)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Batteries (vehicle)				✓	✓	✓	✓					
Bicycles (in good condition)					Two Wheeler Dealer (798-6444) Refurbished for charity.							
Bulky Items (for disposal) (ic. couches, furniture, etc.)	✓ by appt.		✓ fee	✓								
Cardboard	✓	✓	✓					✓				
Carpet			✓ fee									
Cell Phones		✓		✓	Also accepted by: Cape Fear River Watch (762-5606), Keep America Beautiful (798-4400), Petsmart, www.call2recycle.org, www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com.							
Christmas Trees	✓ all year				NH County has seasonal drop off locations. (798-4400).							
Clothing									✓	✓	✓	✓
Construction Materials			✓ fee					✓				
Electronics (Computers, TVs)				✓	Southeast Response & Remediation 4920 Hwy 421 N (763-6274). Fee charged.							
Furniture (still usable)								✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Glass (clear, brown, green, etc)	✓	✓										
Housewares										✓	✓	✓
Lightbulbs - CFLs, Mercury & Fluorescent Tubes					Home Depot and Lowe's accept CFL light bulbs.							
Mixed Paper	✓	✓						✓				
Motor Oil			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
Motor oil, fuels, antifreeze			✓	✓	✓	✓	✓					
transmission & hydraulic fluids too												
Newspaper	✓	✓										
Office Paper	✓	✓						✓				
Paint, Thinner, Solvents, Cleaners												
Pesticides/Herbicides												
Phone Books	✓	✓										
Plastic Bottles & Containers	✓ (#1-7)	✓ (#1-7)										
Prescription & Over-the Counter Medications					Prescription drugs can be returned to some pharmacies. For disposal at home, dilute with water and place in the trash.							
Steel Cans/Tin Cans	✓											
Sharps -Syringes/Needles					At present, NC does not have a law for sharps disposal. However, it is a good idea to label an empty soda bottle with the word "Sharps" and place your used sharps in it. When the bottle is full, cap it, and tape with strong tape before placing in your trash. Visit <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/needledisposal">www.cdc.gov/needledisposal</a>							
Tires			✓ 5/day									
Toner / Inkjet Cartridges					Accepted by: Cape Fear River Watch (762-5606), Cartridge World of Wilmington (784-9534), all locations of Petsmart, Officemax, Office Dept, Staples.							
Toys										✓	✓	✓
Yard Waste	✓ same day as trash pick-up				Most locations charge a fee based on weight: American Property Experts, 610 Sunnyvale Drive (793-1460) Evergreen Forest Products, 2605 Blue Clay Road (762-9156) Mulch Masters, 1847 Hwy 421 N (763-6000). Call in advance. Wilmington Materials, 3612 Hwy 421 N (763-4569)							

**Household Hazardous Waste Collection Days  
&  
Electronics Collection Days**  
*(electronics with a power cord, except white goods and air-conditioners).*

**For dates and locations, call NH County at 798-4400.**

**www.Freecycle.org**  
  
The Freecycle Network is a grassroots, nonprofit movement of people who are giving and getting stuff for free in their own towns. It was started in 2003 to promote waste reduction and help save the landscape from being taken over by landfills.

**The website for the Wilmington chapter is:**  
<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/wilmington-free/>

*\*Disclaimer: Every attempt has been made to verify the accuracy of the information contained in this brochure. However, if you notice an error or omission, please feel free to contact us at 343-4777. Thank you!*