

Town of Somerset, MA

Trash

Recycling

Yard Waste

Program

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In July of 1993, the town adopted a **mandatory Recycling By-law** and this law must be observed by all the citizens of Somerset. If your trash is not separated as indicated, it cannot be collected by the Town.

The trash is a pay-as-you-throw system and, as its name implies, you pay only for the amount of trash that you actually throw away. This means that the more you reduce, reuse and/or recycle, the lower your trash disposal cost will be. Please read the following information and save for future reference. It will explain how the PAY-PER-BAG program works and how to recycle your trash.

Here's How It Works:

Each homeowner in the Town of Somerset must buy specially marked trash bags, which are available at various locations throughout the town (most convenient stores, gas stations and markets sell the bags).

TRASH:

Large (white) 33-gallon trash bags = \$ 3.50 each / Small (yellow) 16-gallon trash bags = \$2.25 each. Bags may be purchased by the roll also. (5 bags per roll). The price of the bag is based on the Town's actual cost to purchase the bag and the cost of the town's collection and disposal of trash, yard waste, recyclables and white goods.

On the day of pickup at your home, please make sure that the filled trash **bags are tied** at the top. Please set them out at the curb **before 7:00 AM** along with your recycling bin. ****Please do not put trash bags on top of the Recycling Bin. They will not be picked up. **** The weight of trash cannot exceed **50 lbs.** Please call **EZ Disposal at (781) 233-2211** or by email : team@ezdisposalrecycling.com, if you need further assistance or in case you feel the workers may have missed your residence.

Effective November 1st, 2022 textiles will no longer be picked up curbside by Simple Recycling or EZ Disposal. Any textiles should be disposed in supporting clothing bins located throughout the town.

A limited quantity of compost bins is available for purchase at the Highway Department. Each compost bin has a fee of \$30.00 to purchase. Please contact the Highway Department at 508-646-2835 for more information.

RECYCLABLES:

Recycling bins are emptied on the same day as your regular trash pickup. One **recycling bin** will be provided for a **new** dwelling free of charge. Replacement or additional recycling bins are \$50.00 with checks to be made to "The Town of Somerset" and will be dropped off at resident's household. Please call the Highway Department at (508) 646-2835 to request a new bin. Bins must be used to put your recyclable items at the curbside. Please see the enclosed list of acceptable recycling materials and non-acceptable recycling material. For information on Recycling, please call **EZ Disposal at (781) 233-2211**. ***If you bin is damaged and needs repair please call the Somerset Highway Department at (508) 646-2835.**

YARD WASTE:

Yard waste (leaves, grass, brush) are to be separated and set out in unlined trashcans (**ONLY 32 GALLON PLASTIC BARELLS WITH HANDLES WILL BE ALLOWED**), paper bags or special "earth bags". Bags containing yard waste will not be picked up and containers shall not be larger than 32 gallons or exceed 50 lbs. Yard Waste should not be exceeding top of barrel. No brush in excess of 1/2" diameter shall be placed in approved containers or bags. Brush will be picked up if it does not exceed three (3") inches in diameter and three (3') feet in length and must be secured in manageable bundles not to exceed 50lbs. Please do not use tape (duct tape) to secure bundles. This jams the machines. Twine or rope is okay. Removal of brush/branches, stumps larger than (3") will not be available through EZ Disposal or the Town of Somerset. Yard waste will not be picked up during the winter months. Please refer to schedule.

THERE WILL BE NOW BE A LIMIT OF 10-YARD WASTE RECETACLES PER HOUSEHOLD PER YARD WASTE WEEK. (EX: 5-YARD WASTE BAGS AND 5-YARD WASTE BARRELS.)

LARGE BULK ITEMS (couch, chair, table) and WHITE GOODS (stove, washer, etc.)

These items are **not** collected on the same day that your trash is collected. These items are collected **by appointment only** and must be out on the curbside by 7:00AM of the schedule collection day of the month. Appointments can be made by calling **EZ Disposal at (781) 233-2211**. A fee is applicable for this service and details will be provided by **EZ Disposal at (781) 233-2211**.

Televisions, computer, monitors, mattresses, box springs, and rugs are not picked up curbside. Televisions computer monitors, and mattresses/box springs may be brought to the Somerset Highway Department Transfer Station. Please be advised from April to November items can only be dropped off at the Transfer Station during the specific dates found on page 6.. Friday drop offs for TV'S, MATTRESSES, AND BOXSPRINGS are ONLY accepted between December and March (when the transfer station season is closed.). Rugs will be no longer be picked up curbside. They must be brought to the Transfer Station.

Residents can also take bulk items, white goods, and yard waste (NO recyclables, hazardous waste materials, cardboard, styrofoam, or consumable green – household food/trash) to the **Somerset Highway Department at 1263 Brayton Pt. Rd.** Town of Somerset Bags will not be accepted and must be placed curbside on your trash pickup day. You must show proof of residency and purchase a punch-card. All fees must be made by cash, check, or credit card at the gate. The transfer station will be open on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays of APRIL through NOVEMBER; 8:00AM TO 12:00 NOON, unless otherwise noted on the included schedule. See attached dumpster guidelines, fees and date schedule.

The pickup day is determined by the precinct you reside in.

- Precinct 1 Monday pick up
- Precinct 2 Tuesday pick up
- Precinct 3 Wednesday pick up
- Precinct 4 Thursday pick up
- Precinct 5 Friday pick up

(If you are unsure of your trash pickup day, please call the Highway Department at 508-646-2835)

Collections will **NOT** be made on the following holidays:

New Year's Day
Patriot's Day
July 4th
Veteran's Day

Martin Luther King Jr Day
Memorial Day
Labor Day
Thanksgiving Day

Washington's Birthday
Juneteenth
Columbus Day
Christmas Day

When any of these holidays fall on a Sunday or Monday-Friday, your pick up schedule would be delayed by 1 day for the remainder of that week.

If the holiday falls on the Saturday, there will be NO delay.

Contact numbers:

- EZ Disposal.....781-233-2211**
- Bulk Pick-up Line (EZ Disposal)..... 781-233-2211**
- Somerset Highway Dept. (Transfer Station) 508-646-2835**
- Somerset Board of Health..... 508-646-2804**
- Town Administration Office..... 508-646-2800**

Acceptable/Unacceptable Recycle Material

Acceptable Recycling Material:

- Aerosol Cans (Empty)
- Aluminum: Cans, Beverages and Food Containers (Clean Foil & Pie Pans)
- Books: Hardbound, Paperback, & Textbooks.
- Bottles: Narrow-neck Bottles used for Food Liquid, Soap, Soda or Water. (Lightly Clean if Heavily Soiled.)
- Cardboard and Paperboard Boxes, Corrugated Boxes, Egg Containers, Food Boxes (Including Cereal Boxes & Pizza Boxes), Frozen Food Packaging, Mailing Boxes, and Show Boxes.

Please Remove Plastic & Styrofoam Packing Material from Inside.

- Cartons (Waxed): Used for a Liquid such as Juices, Milk, & Soups
- Glass Containers such as Bottles and Jars, Brown, Clear or Green- (Please Rinse)
- CLEAN Juice Boxes
- Mail: Envelopes with Plastic Windows
- Metal: Beverage & Food Containers
- Paper (All Colors & Types): Catalogs, Folders, Junk Mail, Magazines, Mixed Paper, Newsprint (All Types), Non-Metallic Wrapping Paper, Office Papers, Printer Paper, School Papers, & Shredded Paper
- Plastic: Bottles & Jars (Narrow Neck and Screw Top- Lightly Clean if Heavily Soiled)-e.g., Detergency/ Bleach Bottles, Juice Bottles, Milk Jugs, Soda Bottles, Water Bottles, Containers (Wide-Mouthed *Lightly Cleaned if Heavily Soiled*)-e.g., Cottage Cheese, Margarine, mayonnaise, Sour Cream, & Yogurt (Caps & Labels O.K.) Drinking Cups and Prescription Bottles, Including Lids& Caps
- Steel: Beverage Containers & Food
- Tin: Cans & Foil

Unacceptable Recycling Material Examples:

- Carry Out or Deli Food Containers
- Cat Litter
- Chemicals
- Cookware & Plates(Plastic)
- Containers of Toxic Substances-e.g., Bottles/Cans of Motor Oil, Pesticides, etc.
- Contaminated Paper Products-e.g., Napkins, Paper Towels, Waxed Paper, Paper Plates & Tissue
- Contaminated Plastic Products-e.g., Plates, Utensils, Cookware, & To-Go Cartons
- Dry Cleaning Bags
- Food Waste
- Furniture of ANY Kind
- Glass (Window & Mirror)
- Paint & Paint Caps
- Plastic Bags (Including Grocery Bags & Newspaper Covers)
- Utensils (Plastic)
- Waxed Paper
- Styrofoam

*** Any further questions you may contact the Somerset Highway Department at 508-646-2835 or EZ Disposal (781) 233-2211***

Transfer Station Program Guidelines

Open 8:00AM – 12:00PM

New Prices

Effective March 17th, 2025

Price Changes Are Marked in Bold Print

Please be advised Punch Cards will no longer be sold. After November 16, 2024 punch cards will no longer be accepted.

Yearly/Daily Sticker Passes may be purchased at The Highway Department. Stickers must be present in order to access the Transfer Station.

Yearly Pass Fee - \$25.00/Year

Daily Pass Fee - \$10.00/Day

General Guidelines on the Transfer Station Fees:

Vehicle Fees:

(Fees to Be Determined at Attendant's Discretion)

- One (1) Average Car/Car Trunk, Small Bed Pickups (Minivans and SUV's) (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below or Construction Debris) – Minimum of \$20.00 – Up
- ½ Pickup Truck Load (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below or Construction Debris) – \$25.00 – Up
- Full Pick Truck Load ((Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below or Construction Debris) - \$50.00 – Up
- Single Axle Trailer (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below or Construction Debris) - \$50.00 – Up
- Double Axle (16' Max) (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below or Construction Debris) - \$100.00 – Up
- ½ Pickup Truck Load or ½ Trailer Load (8' Max) of CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below) - \$50.00 – Up
- Full Pickup Truck Load or Full Trailer Load (8' Max) of CONSTRUCTION DEBRIS (Excluding Bulky Item Fees Listed Below) - \$100.00 – Up

Bulky Item Fees for Disposal PER Item:

Small Air Conditioner/Dehumidifier - \$20.00
Large Air Conditioner/Dehumidifier - \$30.00
*Barbeque Grill - \$10.00
Box Spring (Any Size) - \$50.00
Computer Monitor - \$10.00
Computer Tower - \$10.00
Desk / Table - \$10.00
Dishwasher - \$10.00
Dryer - \$10.00
DVD Player - \$10.00
File Cabinet (Any Size) - \$10.00
Green Tip Light Bulbs - \$5.00

Laptop - \$10.00
Love Seat/Recliner - \$10.00
Mattress (K, Q, T, D) - \$50.00
Crib Mattress - \$20.00
Soiled Mattress (K, Q, T, D) - \$125.00
Microwave - \$10.00
Ottoman - \$10.00
Refrigerator/Freezer - \$20.00
*Sectional Couch - \$10.00
Sofa / Couch - \$20.00
Stove - \$10.00
VCR - \$10.00

Flat Screen TV 24"-43" - \$10.00
Flat Screen TV 44"-70" - \$15.00
Flat Screen TV 71"-98" + - \$25.00
Tube TV - \$20.00
Console TV - \$40.00
*Car Tire - \$10.00
*Truck Tire - \$15.00
*Tractor Tire - \$20.00
Toilet/Sink - \$10.00
Washer - \$15.00
Water Heater - \$15.00
*Lawnmower - \$10.00

Barbeque Grill must be free of propane tank before disposal, Tires are accepted with or without the rim, Sectional Couches are charged per piece, and Lawnmowers must be free of gas and oil before disposal

Unacceptable Waste:

Styrofoam, Recyclables, Hazardous Waste Materials (Paint Cans, Chemicals, Pool Chemicals, etc.), Propane Tanks, Lead Acid Batteries, and Gas Tanks.

No Household Trash (Consumable Greens/Food) will be accepted in regular trash bags or Town of Somerset Bags. All Household Trash (Consumable Greens/Food) must be placed curbside on resident's pickup day in Town of Somerset Bags

Residential Yard Waste is accepted for drop off at no charge to residents.

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TOWN OF SOMERSET
HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT
1263 BRAYTON POINT ROAD, SOMERSET, MA 02725
508-646-2835

*****TRANSFER STATION *****
2026

Schedule indicated throughout the information herein, are subject to change. Please re-check this site for updates or contact the Highway Department with any questions.

OPEN ON THE FIRST SATURDAY AND THE THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH. STARTING IN APRIL, 2026 THROUGH NOVEMBER, 2026.

- April 4, 2026
- April 18, 2026
- May 2, 2026
- May 16, 2026
- June 6, 2026
- June 20, 2026
- July 13, 2026*
- July 20, 2026
- August 1, 2026
- August 15, 2026
- September 5, 2026
- September 19, 2026
- October 3, 2026
- October 17, 2026
- November 7, 2026
- November 21, 2026

*Please note that due to Fourth of July falling on Saturday this year the Transfer Station will NOT be open on the first Saturday of July. The Transfer Station will be open the second and third Saturday in July. *

2026 Yard Waste Calendar

There will be a limit of 10-yard waste receptacles per household per week. (EX: 5-yard waste bags and 5-yard waste barrels.)

JANUARY 2026						
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11	12 XMAS	13 TREE	14 PICKUP	15 ONLY	16 !!!	17
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February 2026						
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June 2026						
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JULY 2026						
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SEPTEMBER 2026						
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NOVEMBER 2026						
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DECEMBER 2026						
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Town of Somerset – 2026
Holiday's Observed
Trash/Recycling/Yard Waste – Will be delayed by 1 day IF holiday falls on a weekday or Sunday

New Year's – January 1st, 2026
Martin Luther King Jr. Day – January 19th, 2026
Washington's Birthday – February 16th, 2026
Patriot's Day – April 20th, 2026
Memorial Day – May 25th, 2026
Juneteenth – June 19th, 2026
4th of July – July 4th, 2026
Labor Day – September 7th, 2026
Columbus Day – October 12th, 2026
Veteran's Day – November 11th, 2026
Thanksgiving Day – November 26th, 2026
Christmas Day – December 25th, 2026

BULK PICKUP: Please call EZ Disposal to schedule pickup at (781) 233-2211. Each item is charged (Ex: Table and Chairs ... Table would be one charge and each chair would be a charge as well). EZ does not pickup mattresses, box springs, tvs, or rugs.

HOLIDAY =

YARD WASTE =

AMNESTY =

EZ Disposal
Telephone: (781) 233-2211
Email: team@ezdisposalrecycling.com

Trash Collection Service:
Town Pay as You Throw Bags & Curbside by 7:00am
Town Bags (cannot exceed 50 pounds)
****Trash Bags cannot be placed on top of Recycling Bins****

Recycling Collection Service:
Carts should be wheeled to the curb and set with the lid facing the street by 7:00 AM on the day of collection, and after collection, must be stored out of view. Carts are the property of the Town of Somerset and should not be removed from the property to which they are assigned. Report stolen or vandalized carts to Somerset Highway Department at (508) 646-2835. **Cart Repairs:** Please call Somerset Highway Department at (508) 646-2835. Carts damaged from misuse or neglect will be repaired or replaced at the user's expense. (Example of misuse are burning or overloading carts.)

Non-Collection Notice's will be placed on any carts / town bags that are not in compliance with the collection rules.

Trash / Yard Waste barrels must be labeled.

****Yard Waste Barrels must be plastic 32 gallon barrels with handles****