



sanitation division manchester

Dear Manchester Resident:

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This flyer is attached to your new, Town of Manchester Automated Trash Collection Cart. This cart replaces the existing green trash cart that has been assigned to your dwelling address since 2004 when the Town converted to a wheeled cart system for trash collection. Below you will find answers to some of the commonly asked questions about the replacement process. At the end of this notice, we are providing contact information for the Town's Sanitation Division, including our main telephone number and current websites.

Q: *Why is the Town of Manchester replacing all of the trash carts; mine is perfectly fine?*

A: The current carts were manufactured and distributed in April of 2004; a significant number of the existing carts are past the end of their useful life. The Town examined replacing the trash carts in phases, but it was determined that a Town-wide replacement program all at once was the most cost effective method.

Q: *Will the Town remove my existing used green trash cart?*

A: Yes, the process involves the contractor both delivering your new cart and removing the old cart. The initially delivered trash carts from 2004 are the property of the Town. The contractor is paying the Town for the value of the old cart and it will be recycled into new plastic resin for future use.

Q: *The new cart is a different size from my old cart?*

A: All of the new carts are 65 gallons in size. This size cart provides enough trash capacity for the average Town of Manchester dwelling. This size is the universal cart size for the Town moving forward.

Q: *I need an extra trash cart; this cart is not big enough!*

A: For those residents that require additional trash collection capacity, the Town will continue to offer an extra trash cart subscription program, which has been in place since 2011. The Town's curbside collection contractor, *All American Waste*, can provide an additional **95 gallon** trash cart for an annual fee of \$200 per year, which equals \$16.67 per month or only \$3.85 per week. To arrange for the delivery of an extra trash cart, please contact All American Waste directly by calling 860-289-7850.

Q: *What can I do to reduce the amount of trash that I generate?*

A: First, see our enclosed recycling brochure! RecycleCT recently released a statewide list of all the materials eligible for collection in the blue recycling carts. Second, please review our recycling website <http://www.ManchesterRecycles.org> to learn about all of the additional items/materials you can recycle at the transfer station that are not collected curbside. Finally, make sure that you are using the weekly yard-waste collection program to compost all eligible organic materials, including leaves, grass and bundled brush. These wastes are collected separately by the yard-waste truck for composting. The Town sells inexpensive brown leaf bags at the Sanitation Office, Town Hall, Senior Center and Community Y.

Q: *Will my trash still be collected weekly? How about recycling?*

A: Yes, trash will continue to be collected weekly and recycling will be bi-weekly. For avid recyclers the Town will provide all eligible dwellings with one additional recycling cart at no charge! Please contact our office at 860-647-3200, option 4 to learn more about how to obtain another recycling cart.

Q: *I still have questions; Who can I contact?*

A: Additional information on the Sanitation Division and all our services is available online at the Sanitation Division website <http://sanitation.townofmanchester.org> Specific recycling information is available at <http://www.ManchesterRecycles.org> or <http://www.RecycleCT.com> The Sanitation Office can be reached by calling 860-647-3200, option 4. Thank you for your cooperation with this program.