



# Town of Manchester

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Dear Manchester Resident:

The Town is pleased to deliver your new blue Single Stream Recycling Cart for use beginning on July 1st. Please read this information to better understand how to participate in this new and exciting recycling program.

**Q: What materials should I place in the cart for recycling?**

**A:** The following is a list of recyclable materials for placement in the blue recycling cart. There are also instructions on what materials to recycle imprinted on the protective lid of your blue recycling cart.

SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLABLE MATERIALS (collected every other week** on your normal collection day)	
All Glass Food and Beverage Containers	Paper Bags, Paper Egg Cartons, Paper Towel Tubes
All #1 and #2 Plastic Food and Beverage Containers 	Shredded Paper in a Paper Grocery Bag
All Metal Food and Beverage Containers	Paperboard & Boxboard - Cereal, Food, Gift & Shoe Boxes, etc.
Aluminum Foils, Pans and Containers	Corrugated Cardboard and Clean Pizza Boxes
Aerosol Cans (Food, Fragrance and Beauty products)	NO: Garbage or Trash
Milk & Juice Cartons, and other Aseptic Packaging	NO: Plastic Bags or Small Batteries
Single Serve Juice Boxes	NO: #3 through #7 Plastics, plastic toys, plastic furniture, etc.
Newspapers and Advertising Inserts	NO: Antifreeze, Oil or other Automotive Fluid Containers/Cans
Magazines and Catalogs	NO: Bulk Waste (call in for trash pick-up)
Junk Mail and Envelopes	NO: Scrap Metal or Appliances (call in for recycling pick-up)
Office Paper, White & Colored, Sticky Notes	NO: Motor Oil (call in for recycling pick-up)
File Folders, Note Cards, Cardstock, Manila Envelopes	NO: Car or Boat Batteries (call in for recycling pick-up)

**Q: When will my recycling be collected?**

**A:** Recycling will be collected on your normal collection day, every other week. Single stream recycling will start on Wednesday, July 1<sup>st</sup>. A 12-month recycling calendar is included in the plastic bag affixed to the recycling cart handle, and will indicate whether your collection is the A or B Week.

**Q: How do I prepare the recyclables? Can I really just put the materials into the cart?**

**A:** Yes, with Single-Stream Recycling you will put all recyclable materials into the blue recycling cart. No more bagging, tying or bundling, and no need to sort or separate different types of metal, glass and plastic containers from paper, junk mail, boxboard and cardboard - simply mix all recyclable materials together in the cart, close the lid and wheel it to the curb for collection!

**Q: What do I do with my old, green recycling bin?**

**A:** Residents may keep their old recycling bin. If you wish to dispose of your bin, the Town will collect old recycling bins at the curb for two weeks beginning on Monday, July 20<sup>th</sup>. Please **DO NOT** put the old recycling bin into the new recycling cart.

**Q: *How should I place my recycling cart at the curb for collection?***

**A:** Please place the recycling cart with the front of the lid facing the street and please provide at least three feet of space between your recycling and garbage carts on collection day.

**Q: *What about my Garbage? Will it still be collected weekly?***

**A:** Yes, garbage should be placed in the green cart and will continue to be collected each week on your regularly scheduled collection day. **DO NOT** place garbage in the blue recycling cart.

**Q: *What about Bulk Waste, Metal/Appliances, Motor Oil and Car Batteries?***

**A:** All of these items will now need to be scheduled for pick up by calling 647-3200. Please review the enclosed green notice about the implementation of the new Scheduled Curbside Pickup Program.

**Q: *What about leaves, grass and other yard waste?***

**A:** Leaves, grass, brush and other yard waste placed in brown paper bags will continue to be collected each week from March 15<sup>th</sup> through the following January 15<sup>th</sup> on your regularly scheduled collection day. Leaves, grass and small yard wastes should be placed in brown paper bags. Brush must be cut to four (4) feet or less in length, tied, bundled, and not weigh more than 40lbs. **DO NOT** place leaves, grass, brush and other yard waste in the blue recycling cart.

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

**A:** Additional information on Single Stream Recycling is available on the Town's recycling website at [www.ManchesterRecycles.org](http://www.ManchesterRecycles.org). If you have any questions about this program, please do not hesitate to contact the Sanitation Office by calling **647-3200** or by email at [recycling@ci.manchester.ct.us](mailto:recycling@ci.manchester.ct.us). Thank you for your cooperation as we implement this new and exciting recycling program.

Questions: 860-647-3200 [www.manchesterrecycles.org](http://www.manchesterrecycles.org)



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Paper, Folders



Junk Mail



Plastic Containers  
#1 & #2



Milk & Juice Cartons,  
Juice Boxes



Paperboard  
(Flattened)



Cardboard & Paper Bags  
(Flattened)



Glass Food & Beverage  
Containers



Aluminum Cans,  
Food Trays & Foils



Steel, Tin & Metal  
Cans

**NO TRASH, NO PLASTIC BAGS**

**All Recyclables, One Cart. It's That Simple.**