

Town of Mashpee
Regulations for Use and Operation of Transfer Station
Asher's Path

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Section 1 Hours of Operation

The Mashpee Transfer Station is open 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on the following days:

April 1 – October 31 Every day except Thursday

November 1 – March 31 Every day except Tuesdays and Thursdays

The station is closed on the following holidays:

Thanksgiving

Christmas

New Year's Day

4th of July

Section 2 Unexpected Closures

The Transfer Station will close or will not be open if a “State of Emergency” is declared for the Town of Mashpee. Any questions on whether the station is open may be directed to the Administrative Office at 508-539-1490.

Section 3 Annual Permit

A permit or sticker is required for use of the transfer station and recycling area. Permits must be purchased annually. Residential permits are valid for the fiscal year (July 1 – June 30). Proof of Mashpee residency or property ownership is required at the time of purchase. A permit for a second vehicle in an existing permit holder's household may also be purchased at a reduced rate.

Commercial landscaping permits are valid for the calendar year (January 1 – December 31) and are limited to businesses working in Mashpee.

A fee schedule for permits is included in Appendix 1.

Permits should be displayed on the driver's side corner of the windshield or on a driver's side window.

Residential permits may be purchased at the Town Clerks office in Town Hall, 16 Great Neck Road North. Commercial permits may be purchased at the Department of Public Works, 350 Meetinghouse Road.

Section 4 Limited Use Passes

Passes for a finite number of trips to the transfer station may be obtained at the Department of Public Works. A single trip pass may be used for one trip into the transfer station. A five-trip pass may be used for five trips, a ten-trip pass may be used for ten trips, etc..

Existing permit holders should contact the Department of Public Works if a single trip pass is needed during the fiscal year.

Non-permit holding Mashpee residents or Mashpee property owners may purchase passes from the Department of Public Works. Proof of residency or property ownership is required at the time of purchase.

Non-resident, seasonal renters may purchase a one-trip pass from the Department of Public Works. Proof of rental in Mashpee is required at the time of purchase.

Prices for the passes are included in Appendix 1.

Section 5 Residential Use

Residents may bring their household trash and recycling to the transfer station during normal hours of operation.

Household trash is defined as trash generated by the day-to-day activities of a household. This includes food wastes, waste paper, packaging, etc..

Section 6 Commercial Use

Commercial businesses may purchase a permit to dispose of leaves and grass clippings at the transfer station. Only yard waste generated from properties in Mashpee will be accepted.

In addition to the permit, a per trip fee will be charged at the gate. Trip cards should be purchased in advance at the Department of Public Works. The per trip fee will then be deducted from these cards by the gate attendant at the transfer station at the time of admission. A fee schedule for the permit and per trip fees is included in Appendix 1.

Section 7 Disposal of Materials

Trash and recycling should be disposed of in the designated locations at the facility.

Vehicles should proceed in the counterclockwise direction from the gatehouse to the recycling area and/or the transfer station. Areas for recycling and trash disposal are clearly marked and directions noted on signs or offered by the attendants should be followed.

Disposal and/or recycling of certain items requires payment of an additional fee. A fee schedule for these materials is included in Appendix 1. Payment of the fee should be by check made payable to the Town of Mashpee. Receipts for payment will be provided.

Persons or their agents disposing of materials inappropriately may be fined as outlined in Section 12.

Section 11 lists those materials which are prohibited from the trash and recycling areas.

Section 8 Recycling

Massachusetts' law requires that all recyclable materials be removed from the waste stream. Recycling of these materials reduces the volume of trash which must be disposed of, resulting in a savings to the Town. Any Mashpee resident or property owner may use the recycling area with proof of residency or property ownership.

Temporary closure of certain areas may be necessary if a pick-up of material cannot be arranged. Said closure shall be made only with the authorization of the Department of Public Works. The operator of the Transfer Station shall notify the Department 48 hours prior to a potential need for a closure. If an immediate pick-up cannot be scheduled, the Department will authorize the closure of the specific area.

In the event of a closure, residents should hold on to the material until a future trip when the area is reopened.

Appendix 2 lists the materials accepted for recycling at the Mashpee Transfer Station as well as any specific directions for recycling.

Section 9 Composting

Leaves, grass clippings, and shrub (soft) trimmings may be brought to the transfer station for composting. Screened compost is available seasonally for use by residents. A sign at the gatehouse will alert residents of the availability of compost. The attendant can also answer any questions on availability.

Home composting bins may be purchased at the Department of Public Works for \$20.00. Payment should be by check made payable to the Town of Mashpee.

Section 10 Prohibited Activities

The following activities are prohibited and persons found engaging in any of these activities may be fined as outlined in Section 12.

- Smoking in the transfer station building and the immediate surrounding area.
- Disposal of trash or recycling after the Transfer Station is closed.
- Disposal of prohibited materials.
- Disposal of trash in the recycling area.
- Disposal of trash from sources outside Mashpee.

Section 11 Prohibited Materials

The following materials are prohibited from both the transfer station and the recycling area:

- Hazardous materials such as flammables, explosives, pesticides, chemicals, gas cylinders, and oil-based paints * *Latex paints or water-based stains may be disposed of with trash – allow any remaining paint to dry out or use kitty litter to absorb prior to disposal.*
- Building and demolition materials **
- Brush ***

* Pesticides, oil-based paints, solvents, and certain other chemicals may be disposed of at the household hazardous product collection days held throughout the year. For more information on these collection days, call 508-539-1490.

** Building and demolition materials may be disposed of at the following locations:

Barnstable Transfer Station
45 Flint Street, Marstons Mills
508-428-5311

Resource Recovery of Cape Cod
295 Service Road, Sandwich
800-349-0082 or 508-833-6200

Bourne Integrated Waste Mgmt Facility
Route 28, Bourne
508-759-0641

*** Brush may be disposed of at the following locations:

Cape Resources Co.
280 Old Falmouth Road, Marstons Mills
508-428-2613

Resource Recovery of Cape Cod
295 Service Road, Sandwich
800-349-0082 or 508-833-6200

Section 12 Enforcement

The Department of Public Works shall be responsible for enforcement of these rules and regulations.

Any person in violation of these regulations or found to be misusing the facility is subject to a \$300 fine per day per offense. Fines for violations shall be levied by the Department of Public Works after an investigation of the offense.

Any person wishing to contest the issuance of a violation and fine may do so by filing a written appeal with the Board of Selectmen. The Board of Selectmen shall consider the appeal within 45 days of receipt at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Section 13 Comments or Complaints

The administrative office for the transfer station is located at the Department of Public Works at 350 Meetinghouse Road. Persons may visit or contact the office with any questions, comments or complaints concerning the operation of the transfer station. The telephone number for the office is 508-539-1490.

Section 14 Accessibility

The nature of the operation of the transfer station and recycling area as well as safety concerns prevent all areas of the facility from being completely accessible to persons with disabilities. For these reasons, anyone requiring assistance should ask at the gatehouse upon entering so that the attendant can coordinate the required help. Persons should follow the directions given by the attendant to facilitate assistance.

Section 15 Commercial Waste Haulers

Commercial haulers may dispose of refuse at the Upper Cape Regional Transfer Station (UCRTS). The Town will bill for use of the station bi-weekly, depending on the tonnage of commercial and/or residential refuse delivered. The Board of Managers for the UCRTS sets the price per ton of commercial and residential refuse. Prices include the cost for operation of the transfer station, transport of the refuse to SEMASS by Bay

Colony Railroad, and, for residential refuse, the tipping fee at SEMASS. Haulers will be billed separately by SEMASS for disposal of commercial refuse.

Commercial refuse is defined as refuse collected from businesses, mixed use developments, and/or residential condominiums or other multi-family complexes in which more than fifty percent of the units are rented seasonally (in less than one month increments).

Residential refuse is defined as refuse collected from single family dwellings and/or residential condominiums or other multi-family complexes in which more than fifty percent of the units are occupied on a year-round basis.

Commercial haulers must also be licensed by the Town of Mashpee in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Board of Health.

Failure of a commercial hauler to pay a bill from the Town in full within 30 days of issuance will result in suspension of their tipping privileges at the UCRTS. Such a suspension would be lifted when payment has been received by the Town. Failure of a business to pay a bill in full within 60 days of issuance will result in revocation of the tipping privileges. A suspension or revocation may be appealed in writing to the Board of Selectmen.

Appendix 1 Fee Schedule

PERMITS/PASSES

Residential (1 st household permit)	\$75.00
Residential (2 nd household permit)	\$10.00
Commercial (landscaping)	\$150.00 plus \$10/\$20 per truck
Single Trip Pass	
Permit Holder	Call DPW for pass
Non-Permit Holder	
Resident/Property Owner	\$5.00 (with proof of residency/property ownership)
Seasonal Renter	\$10.00 (with proof of rental)
Multiple Trip Passes (permit holder or non-permit holder resident/property owner only)	
Five-Trip	\$25.00
Ten-Trip	\$50.00

RECYCLING*

Passenger tires	\$ 2.00 ea. off rim, \$5.00 ea on rim
Truck tires (17"-26")	\$10.00 ea. off rim, \$15.00 ea. on rim
Mattresses/Box Springs	\$10.00
White Goods (refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, washers, dryers, dehumidifiers, stoves/ovens, water heaters, etc.)	\$10.00
Electronics (televisions, computers, monitors, microwaves)	\$5.00 less than 20" \$10.00 20" – 35" \$20.00 36" or console
Propane Tanks (<=20 lbs)	\$ 2.00
Propane Tanks (>20 lbs)	\$10.00
Couches, upholstered furniture	\$10.00
Other Furniture	\$1.00 ea. Small, \$5.00 ea. Large

* Paid at time of disposal at transfer station by check made payable to the Town of Mashpee.

Appendix 2

Recyclable Materials

Plastic (#1, #2) *Please remove caps and rinse.*

Glass (Clear, green, and brown, glass) *Please remove caps or lids and rinse.*

Metal cans (Tin or aluminum cans) *Please rinse.*

Newspaper

Corrugated cardboard *Please flatten boxes.*

Magazines/Catalogs/Telephone Books

Office Paper/Junk Mail

Chipboard

Tires *Please derim.*

Oil filters

Used oil

Batteries (Lead acid automotive batteries as well as Nickel Cadmium or other rechargeable batteries. Alkaline batteries should be disposed of in trash.)

Mercury Products (fluorescent light bulbs, thermostats, switches, thermometers)

Anti-freeze *Green only.*

Electronics (Televisions, computers, microwaves, VCRs, and air conditioners)

Yard waste (Leaves, grass clippings, shrub trimmings)

Christmas Trees

Mattresses/Box Springs

White Goods (appliances) *Please remove doors on refrigerators and freezers.*

Propane Tanks

Couches, upholstered furniture

Scrap Metal *Separate metal from other materials (plastic, wood, etc.)*

★ Containers for donation of clothing and books to charitable organizations as well as containers for donation of returnable cans/bottles to non-profit organizations are also located in the recycling area.