

## News from the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders

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### Somerset County December Recycling Calendar: First Saturday, E-Waste and Holiday Closing

#### First Saturday of the Month Drop-off in Bridgewater Dec. 1

BRIDGEWATER – Somerset County Freeholder Brian G. Gallagher, recycling liaison, invites county residents to take advantage of the **First Saturday of the Month Drop-off** event on **Dec. 1**, from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the **Somerset County Recycling Center**, located at **40 Polhemus Lane, Bridgewater, NJ 08807**. Proof of residency is required (current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill with a Somerset County address). Pre-registration is not required. No businesses or commercial vehicles are allowed.

First Saturday drop-off events enable busy residents to recycle tires and the usual curbside items in one fell swoop. Residents can drop off up to eight tires – with or without rims – scrap metal, used motor oil, oil filters, antifreeze and usual curbside materials, including chipboard items, and plastic bottles and containers marked #1 through #7. Chipboard includes gift, shoe, shirt and all retail boxes, as well as cereal, cookie, pasta, and cake and cracker boxes without the plastic liners. Poster board, greeting cards, backing from writing pads and empty, dried-out steel paint cans are also accepted.

**Somerset County no longer accepts textiles** at First Saturday of the Month drop-offs. Please continue to recycle your used textiles at any local charity donation bin.

For more information about First Saturday events, visit [www.co.somerset.nj.us/1stSat](http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/1stSat) or call the Somerset County Recycling Center at [\(732\) 469-3363](tel:7324693363).

Canned goods and non-perishable food donations for needy residents are welcome at First Saturday of the Month drop-off events; or put canned goods in a plastic bag on your usual recycling pickup dates. Items are delivered to the Food Bank Network of Somerset County. Perishable items and food in glass containers are not accepted.

**Household hazardous waste and electronic waste are not accepted on First Saturday of the Month drop-off events at the Recycling Center.** You can recycle household hazardous waste at any of the five scheduled Household Hazardous Waste drop-off events held at different locations around the county. Electronics can be dropped off free of charge on certain Saturdays in Hillsborough and weekdays at a Bridgewater and Hillsborough location.

A complete listing of recyclable items, recycling drop-off events and much more is available at [www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle](http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle).

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#### Electronic Waste Drop-off Dec. 1 in Hillsborough

HILLSBOROUGH – Somerset County Freeholder Brian G. Gallagher, recycling liaison, invites county residents to declutter their homes of electronic items that have accumulated. The next free-of-charge **Saturday Electronic Waste Drop-off** event is **Dec. 1**, from **8 a.m. to 2 p.m.** at the **South County Public Works Facility at 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844**. Proof of residency is required (current driver's license, valid lease, tax bill or any other bill with a Somerset County address). Pre-registration is not required. No businesses or commercial vehicles are allowed.

Following is a list of e-waste drop-off locations, dates and times in 2018 (dates for 2019 will be announced soon):

- **Saturday drop-off:** Dec. 1, from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the South County Public Works Garage,

410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

- **Weekday drop-offs:** Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the North County Public Works Facility - Building B - 411 Chimney Rock Road, north of Route 22, Bridgewater, NJ 08807 and the South County Public Works Garage, 410 Roycefield Road, Hillsborough, NJ 08844.

The following materials are accepted: computers (desktops and laptops), monitors (cathode-ray tube and flat panel), televisions (cathode-ray tubes and flat panels), copiers, digital cameras, DVD players, e-book readers, fax machines, MP3 players, personal digital assistants (PDAs), printers, stereos, radio equipment, VCRs, audio visual equipment, typewriters, camcorders, telephones, cellular phones, circuit boards, modems, telephone mainframes, keyboards, mice, scanners, cables, wiring, power supplies, mainframe equipment and controllers.

**Batteries are not accepted:** Residents can recycle household hazardous waste including lithium and rechargeable batteries at any of the five scheduled [Household Hazardous Waste drop-off events](#) held at different locations around the county. AA, AAA, D, C and 9 volt batteries can be disposed in the regular trash.

For more information about recycling electronics, contact the Somerset County Road Division at [\(908\) 541-5021](tel:9085415021), email [roaddiv@co.somerset.nj.us](mailto:roaddiv@co.somerset.nj.us) or visit [www.co.somerset.nj.us/e-waste](http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/e-waste).

A complete listing of recyclable items, recycling drop-off events (First Saturday of the Month, household hazardous waste, medicine, e-waste and tire) and much more is available at [www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle](http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle).

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## Recycling Pick-up Dates Adjusted for Christmas Holiday

BRIDGEWATER – The **Somerset County Recycling Center**, located at 40 Polhemus Lane, will be **closed Tuesday, Dec. 25**, in observance of the Christmas holiday.

Recycling pickup for residents of **Bedminster, Bernardsville, Peapack-Gladstone, Far Hills and Bridgewater-Sunset Lake area** will be **Wednesday, Dec. 26**.

Due to the high volume of recyclables after the holiday, some recycling pickups scheduled in Somerset County the week of **Dec. 25**, may be delayed. Residents are asked to leave their recyclables at the curb. Remaining collections will be completed as soon as possible. The Recycling Division thanks residents for their patience and understanding.

For more information, call the Somerset County Recycling Center at [\(732\) 469-3363](tel:7324693363). To view the 2018 Recycling Collection Schedule and more, go to [www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle](http://www.co.somerset.nj.us/recycle).

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