

**ORDINANCE FOR TRANSFER STATION
RECYCLING CENTER
TOWN OF COLUMBIA**

For the purposes of this ordinance, the words and phrases stated below shall have the following meaning:

“Bulky Waste” means tree trunks, stumps, building materials, furniture, appliances, and other items defined as bulky waste by the regulations of the Department of Environmental Protection.

“Hazardous Waste” means those substances possessing radio-active, caustic, toxic, explosive or pathological properties including those substances considered “hazardous” or “toxic” under any law or regulation of any federal or State of Connecticut agency.

“Recycled” means solid waste that is collected, sorted, separated, treated and altered for the purpose of reuse. Materials to be recycled shall include, but not be limited to, newspaper, white paper, corrugated cardboard, bottles, cans, scrap metal, waste oil and batteries.

“Residence: means real estate containing one or more units that provide housekeeping facilities for its occupants, excluding hospitals, motels and hotels.

“Residential Use” means a use related to a person’s residence.

“Solid Waste” means unwanted or discarded solids, liquids, semisolid or contained gaseous materials, including bulky waste and items left to be recycled.

“Transfer Station” means the location or facility owned, rented or leased by the Town specifically designated and set aside for the receipt and transfer of solid waste. The present transfer station is located off Route 6, next to the town garage. The Town may change the location of the transfer station at any time at its discretion.

USE OF THE TRANSFER STATION

- A. Solid waste generated at residences located within the town of Columbia may be brought to the transfer station and such solid waste will be disposed of pursuant to the policies established by the Board of Selectmen and in accordance with directions and signs posted at the transfer station. Only solid waste that is generated at residences, or from locations owned by the Town, may be brought to the transfer station. No solid waste may be deposited at the transfer station by commercial or business entities. All solid waste must be delivered to the transfer station by the occupants or noncommercial owners of such residences.

B. The transfer station shall not accept the following:

- Hazardous waste;
- Septic waste;
- Closed lid paint cans. All paint cans must be clear of liquid and be dried out;
- Large motorized vehicles, such as riding mowers, tractors or cars;
- All other excluded items as may be approved by the Board of Selectmen

C. The Board of Selectmen shall establish fees, hours of operation and procedures for using the transfer station. Any violation of set hours or procedures shall be deemed a violation of this ordinance.

VIOLATIONS

Violation of any sections of this ordinance by any person shall be punishable by on or all of the following:

1. Suspension or revocation of the right to use the transfer station, if at a hearing held after at least five (5) days written notice an individual is found to have violated this ordinance.
2. A fine of not more that \$50.00 for each offense, and each day that the violation exists or continues shall be deemed a separate offense.
3. Any other fine or penalty permitted under state or federal law.

INVALIDITY

If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person, situation or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of same.

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