

Single Stream Recycling Guidelines

Paper, Cardboard, Plastic, Glass, Metal **ALL IN ONE BIN**

Single stream recyclables must be **LOOSE**.
Do not put recyclables in plastic bags.

Single stream recyclables should be **EMPTY**.
Empty bottles, cans and containers
before placing them in the single
stream recycling bin.

Single stream recyclables should be no more
than **LIGHTLY SOILED**.

You can put single stream recyclables all in
ONE BIN WITH A LID.
Keep trash separately.

If you do not see an item listed please look
for  or # then use reasonable judgment.

Remember, not only is recycling essential
in lowering disposal costs and protecting
the environment, it is the law!



Unacceptable Waste

The following items are not accepted at the
Darien Recycling & Refuse Center:

- Hazardous waste
- Liquids
- Paints
- Asbestos
- Pathological or medical waste
- Barrels, cylinders, fire extinguishers,
propane tanks and sealed containers

Household Hazardous Waste Day **1st Saturday in June in Darien**

Darien residents are also allowed to drop off
hazardous waste at other nearby towns on
community hazardous waste disposal days listed.

For more information visit
www.darienct.gov

Department of Public Works

Additional Information

For information on disposing of hazardous waste
please call the Connecticut Department of
Energy & Environmental Protection at
(860) 566-8843.



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Darien Recycling & Refuse Center

126 Ledge Road, Darien CT 06820
(203) 656-7340

Hours of Operation

Monday—Saturday
7:00am to 2:45pm

The Recycling Center is closed on the
following holidays: Christmas, New Years Day,
Fourth of July, Labor Day, Memorial Day, and
Thanksgiving Day.

Department of Public Works

Town Hall, 2 Renshaw Road
Darien, CT 06820-5344
(203) 656-7346

Recycling Center Permits

All residential vehicles require a current permit
to enter the Darien Recycling Center. Yearly
permits expire on June 30th.

**To receive a permit mail or appear in
person with:**

1. **Copies of vehicle registration**
2. **Proof of residency if vehicle is not
registered in Darien**
3. **Permit Fee**

How to Recycle at the Darien Recycling Center

Appliances

A fee of \$15 will be collected for the disposal of refrigeration equipment (freezers, refrigerators, air conditioners, dehumidifiers), for Freon recovery. Payment in the form of cash or check will be accepted at the scale house or at the Public Works Office in Town Hall. Appliance can be put in the area just beyond the scale house.

White Goods are non-Freon CFC appliances. (Washers, Dryers, Stoves, Microwaves) go in the scrap metal area. No fee.

Batteries (all types)

Car batteries, camera batteries and household batteries can be recycled properly in separate bins located in the transfer station building.

Car batteries and lead acid batteries go in the battery bin. Household alkaline batteries go in the battery bin. NiCad and Lithium batteries (camera batteries) go in ewaste.

Construction & Demolition Debris

All non-combustible materials (asphalt shingles, sheetrock, porcelain, fiber glass, treated lumber, etc.) should be put in the Construction and Demolition disposal area.

Oversized bulk waste/Combustible (lumber, bulk waste, etc.) should be put in the Construction and Demolition disposal area unless it is untreated chemically and small enough to fit into the MSW hopper. (No larger than 6" in diameter and 4' in length)

Electronics

Electronics /Ewaste drop-off area next to transfer station building. Bin is locked. See Attendant.

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Fluorescent light bulbs/ Compact

Fluorescent (unbroken) Fluorescent bulb drop-off area is inside the transfer station building.

Yard Waste & Residential Leaf Disposal

Yard waste area (brush-mixed waste, stems, branches, vegetation, twigs, grass clippings, leaves, logs, wood, stumps)

Waste Oil

A waste oil recycling tank is located near the scale house. Only motor oil is accepted. No anti-freeze, brake fluid or gasoline. See Attendant in the scale house for keys.

Oversized Plastic

Plastic too large for the recycling bin. Oversized plastic drop off area (play toys, patio chairs) Plastic only, no metal.

Scrap Metal

Scrap metal drop off area.

Textiles

Clean and dry-usable or unusable clothing, shoes, bedding, linens, handbags, belts, hats fabrics. (No rugs or carpets) UseAgain donation bins are located next to the Swap Shop and near the transfer station building.

Tires

Tire drop-off area. Bin is locked. See Attendant.

Swap Shop

The last resort for useful items. Permit holders can bring and/or take items from the swap shop. Do not leave items outside the tent.

Leaf Compost and Wood Chips are available for permit holders to take for **Free!** These piles are located beyond the scale house. **Help yourself!**

Items NOT included in Single Stream Recycling

Chip bags, candy wrappers, Power bar wrappers, helium balloons –these are Mylar, tough, non-transparent film or wrap. (Look for shiny interior)

Contaminated items (e.g. diapers, sanitary products, paper towels, tissues, napkins, medical waste)

Ink jet cartridges– can be recycled at local office supply stores or at Darien High School Rotunda

Light bulbs –Incandescent

Mirrors

Pyrex- operational issue because its high melting glass.

Razors and Hypodermic needles

Rubber and Latex items

Tyvek envelopes

Wax, waxed paper, or wax coated paper that is peelable (e.g. dixie cups, candles)

Wood pencils or wood crates (e.g. for produce or food or wine)

All residents, including those with a hauler, are encouraged to have a permit to take advantage of the increased scope of recycling available at the Darien Recycling Center.