RECYCLING / TRASH DISPOSAL POLICY

THE TOWN OF NOTTINGHAM OWNS AND OPERATES AN ACTIVE RECYCLING CENTER AT 11 FREEMAN HALL ROAD. IN ORDER TO ENSURE OPTIMAL RESULTS FROM A RECYCLING PROGRAM, THE FOLLOWING POLICY IS ENACTED. Per RSA 31:39 & RSA 149-M

- A Recycling Permit is required and shall be displayed on the lower left corner of the windshield of any vehicle used to bring recyclables or trash to the Recycling Center. Permits are available for a $1.00 fee at the Recycling Center and the Town Office.

- All bagged non-recyclable trash that is placed in the compactor must be in transparent bags, some items such as polystyrene foam (Styrofoam is a trade mark) may be in a loose state. Recyclable materials shall not be placed in this container.

- Recycling Center Staff and Employees may inspect any or all bags or containers as deemed necessary.

- Recyclable items and materials shall include: three types of plastic containers, corrugated cardboard, aluminum cans, glass, newspaper, mixed paper, metal, automotive batteries, used motor oil, wood, electronics, fluorescent bulbs, propane tanks, tires, appliances, furniture, and carpet. (This list is not all-inclusive and is subject to change.)

- To help fairly distribute the cost of disposal of certain items, such as propane tanks, tires, appliances, furniture, carpet, wood and construction debris, a fee schedule is in place. Homeowners doing large projects should get an onsite container, available through private disposal contractors. (This list is not all-inclusive and is subject to change.)

- Anyone observed not recycling or not placing trash in the proper receptacles or bins may lose the privilege to use the Recycling Center. The length of time will be determined by the nature of the infraction after review by the Town Administrator and the Recycling Center staff.

- Trash and recyclable items from any commercial enterprises will only be considered for acceptance on a case-by-case basis after written request to the Recycling Center Supervisor and the Selectmen’s Office.
- Separate sheets / hand-outs that explain, in more detail, the requirements and fees, are available at the Recycling Center, Town Office, on the Town website and the Town Library.

Removal of items for personal use / reuse / repair is permitted. Removal of materials from the C&D, Wood and Bulky Waste containers is also permitted. Please ask for assistance if any items are not readily accessible. If it does not keep the attendants from performing their regular duties, they may assist you. Residents must not get into containers.

There will be no removal of recyclable items from the Recycling Center for the purpose of redemption or sale at a scrap dealer or other type of recycle business. Items that should not be removed are items such as metal, wire, and pipe, which are normally placed in the “Metals” container. Also included are batteries, aluminum, cardboard and any recyclable items for which the Town receives revenue. There should be no “scrapping”. If you need something, just ask!

Items in the “Swap Shed” are available on a first come first served basis whether it is employees or residents. Employees will determine which items are acceptable for placement in the “Swap Shed”. If you have a question, please ask an attendant. (Examples; dishes, good serviceable toys, games, nik-naks, operational power tools, pictures, sports equipment if in good condition.)

Our intent is to provide reasonable disposal facilities to the residents while also recycling as much as possible. We do receive revenue for a number of commodities of which the market fluctuates monthly. The policy, as stated, will have no noticeable affect on revenues.

THIS POLICY APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN ON AUGUST 31, 2009.

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Mary L. Bonser, Chairman

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Peter M. Bock, Selectman

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Gary A. Anderson, Selectman