



Dear Resident,

Augusta Township needs your support to ensure years of recycling efforts continue to benefit the municipality and avoid additional waste management costs.

At the end of May, waste operators in Ontario, including our contractor, Fast Eddie's Auto Recycling, received a letter from Waste Management Inc. notifying them that recycling industries world-wide were experiencing high levels of contamination. In 2017, China began to limit the quantity and types of materials it accepts for recycling and in 2018, added specific contamination limits set at 0.5%, banned 24 types of materials that were previously considered recyclable and added strict quality standards (visit www.recycleoftenrecycleright.com for more information).

In response, recycling companies across Ontario have made changes to the specific types of recyclables they will accept (see guides attached). Not only must glass, plastic and can recyclables be emptied and rinsed prior to being placed into recycling, specific types that are not efficiently processed, must be removed or the entire load of recyclables may be rejected, treated as household waste and the Township may be charged an additional penalty of \$200/ton.

To help the Township and all residents avoid these extra costs, all recyclables including glass, cans and plastic **need to be cleaned and sorted at home**. If recyclables are not clean when they arrive at the Transfer Station, they **must** be refused or sorted at the site to avoid contaminating whole recycling bins. The Township may initially divert the refused recycling to the household waste stream, but this is bad for the environment, will defeat several years of recycling efforts, increase waste tipping fee costs, reduce recycling revenues and reduce provincial recycling incentives to the Township. We will continue to work with the industry to identify recycling alternatives.

Please join us in adapting to these challenges by ensuring your recycling loads are clean, sorted and by following the recycling do's and don'ts. To assist with the transition, the Township will be updating signs at our Transfer Stations to identify what is accepted in the recycling stream and what is not.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to let us know. Thank you for helping recycle and keeping our waste management costs low.

Sincerely,

Mike Riberdy
Public Works Manager, 613-925-4231 ext.101

NEW SIGNAGE FOR TRANSFER STATIONS





GLASS FOOD & BEVERAGE BOTTLES & JARS
(ENSURE ALL CONTAINERS ARE CLEANED)

✔ Bottles ✔ Jars ✔ Mason Jars





GARBAGE ITEMS

✘ Drinking glasses, dishes and mugs ✘ Window Pane
✘ Light Bulbs ✘ Mirrors ✘ Ceramics
✘ Fluorescent tubes accepted at Maynard Facility Only







METAL CANS
(ENSURE ALL CONTAINERS ARE CLEANED)

✔ Aluminum & Steel Cans ✔ Metal Lids



GARBAGE ITEMS

✘ Paper Cans with Metal Ends





PLASTIC
(ENSURE ALL CONTAINERS ARE CLEANED)

✔ Bottles ✔ Jars ✔ Tubs & Lids ✔ Milk Containers





GARBAGE ITEMS

✘ Film Plastic & Plastic Bags ✘ Storage Totes ✘ Toys ✘ Piping
✘ Tool boxes ✘ Clamshells ✘ Hangers
✘ Rigid Packaging ✘ Laundry Baskets ✘ Bubble Wrap







PAPERS & CARDBOARD

✔ Newspapers, Flyers & Junk Mail ✔ Corrugated Cardboard
✔ Boxboard: Cereal & Cracker Boxes
✔ Moving/Appliance Boxes ✔ Magazines, Envelopes & Printer Paper





GARBAGE ITEMS

✘ Dirty Wet Cardboard ✘ Paper Milk & Juice Cartons
✘ Styrofoam ✘ Gift Wrapping Paper ✘ Paper Coffee Cups







ELECTRONIC WASTE & SCRAP METAL

✔ Household Appliances ✔ Miscellaneous Metals
✔ BBQ's ✔ Computers ✔ Printers ✔ Pie Plates
✔ Audio & Video Systems ✔ Tv's ✔ Tinfoil



✘ Items Must be Freon Free and Tagged